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Barrhead Housing Association Limited Minute of Governing Board Meeting Thursday 23 June 2022 at 6.00pm BHA Offices and by ZOOM

Present

J Hamilton (Chair)	B Connelly MBE
D McKinney	D McVey
R McGuire BEM	L A Junner
P McIlvenny (Zoom – VC)	B Welsh (Zoom - VC)

In Attendance by Video Conference

L Wilson	Chief Executive (CEO)
I MacLean	Corporate Services Coordinator (CSC)
L Rice	Director of Finance and Corporate Services (DFCS)
J Ward	Director of Asset Management (DAM)
O Yiga	Interim Director of Customer Services

	Minute – BHA Governing Board Meeting		
1	Apologies & Sederunt Check		
	Apologies were received from M Mukhtar, A Glasgow		
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2	Declaration of Interest: Board and Staff		
	No declarations of interest were made.		
3	Approval of Minutes		
	(a) Board Meeting 26 May 2022		
	The Board approved the minutes as a true record.		
	<u>Minutes for Noting</u>		
	(b) June 2022 Board Action tracker		
	The Board noted the terms of the Action Tracker.		
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	The CEO confirmed that the Welfare Rights Officer will attend Dunterlie Food Share		
	after the summer holidays. The contract with Taylor Wimpey for the Duncarnock		
	development is expected to be completed soon.		

Presentation – Our Assets

The DAM provided the Board with a high level presentation in relation to management of our assets.

The **Board** discussed and **noted** the content of the presentation.

5 <u>Matters for Approval</u>

5.1 Rent Restructure

The DFCS provided the Board with an update on progress with the rent restructure proposals, following the previous report to the Board. She took the Board through the high level implementation plan, which sets out the key work-streams, timescales and responsible officers.

The CEO advised the Board that a few funding streams have opened up in recent months, and that a number of funding bids have been submitted to support tenants.

The Board **noted** the position and **approved** the rent restructure implementation plan.

5.2 Acquisitions, Disposals and Demolition Policy

The DAM advised the Board of the terms of a new Acquisitions, Disposals and Demolition Policy, designed to give a structure to acquiring or disposing of properties in future.

Subject to Board approval, a detailed asset appraisal model will then be developed.

The Board **approved** the Acquisitions, Disposals and Demolition Policy.

5.3 Annual Treasury Report

The DFCS provided the Board with the updated annual view on the Association's treasury arrangements. It was confirmed that the Association is complaint with our treasury management policy.

In response to a question from a Board member regarding, it was clarified that the BOS loan is not due to be repaid in full, but instead will switch on to a variable rate.

The Board **noted** the position.

5.4 SHR Loan Portfolio Return

The DFCS advised the Board of the content of the SHR Loan Portfolio Return for 2021/22.

The Board **approved** the return for submission to the SHR.

5.5 Hybrid Working Policy

The CSC advised the Board that a new Hybrid Working Policy has been developed, as a framework to support the new model of hybrid working.

He explained that staff still need to be consulted on the policy, but that Board approval was being sought prior to the summer Board "recess", to allow the policy to be consulted on and thereafter implemented as soon as possible.

Following discussion and clarification of a few queries, the Board **approved** the policy for consultation with employees and implementation.

5.6 Kitchen Replacement Tender

The DAM advised the Board of the outcome of the recent kitchen replacement tender exercise.

The Board **approved** the kitchen tender award, the appointment of ADA construction for QS services and the appointment of a clerk of works to address quality assurance, in accordance with the report recommendations.

6 6.1 ARC Performance Report 2021/22

The CSC provided the Board with a summary of the ARC performance, in comparision to previous years.

He highlighted to the Board those areas where performance has been good, and where improvement is required.

The Board noted the report, in particular that repairs activity and section 5 referrals have been highlighted as areas where improvement is required.

6.2 CEO Governance and Compliance Report

The CEO took the Board through her update report highlighting the following main points:

- Office open 3 days per week we are monitoring volume, patterns and reasons for visits
- Factoring service transferring to BHA, project plan in place
- New staffing structure complete with appointment of new Asset Manager
- Training and development activity ongoing in light of new structure
- Update given on recent stakeholder activity
- Meeting took place with HSCP to discuss various matters
- A review is taking place of our leased premises, including Connor Road
- LHS and LDP ERC consultation(s) ongoing
- Avant Homes handover has commenced, and Dealston Road is expected in August
- One Board vacancy exists following D Greig's recent resignation. We will continue to seek to identify a suitable individual with the necessary

	skills/background: either a customer representative or someone with a comms/social media background. This will come back to the Board
	- New Council administration place within ERC.
	In response to questions regarding development sites, the CEO confirmed that she is keen for BHA to develop site(s), should suitable opportuniities arise in the future in line with our Development Policy.
	The Board noted the report and approved the changes to the Nationwide and RBS authorised signatories.
7	Parent Monitoring
	7.1 LPS
	Next meeting to be scheduled.
	7.2 Staffing and Health & Safety Sub Group Next meeting 16 September 2022
	7.3 Audit & Risk Group Next meeting is 18 August 2022.
	7.4 Development Group
	Last meeting took place 16 June 2022.
8	Health and Safety Nil.
9	AOB
•	Regarding the SHAPS Pension Scheme, the DFCS advised the Board of the options proposed for the final salary pension scheme future benefits. The preferred option would have no adverse implications for Barrhead Housing. The Board was asked to feedback to the DFCS with any comments.
	The ARC is having an event on 11 August.
10	Date of Next GB Meeting: Thursday 4 August at 6.00pm
The	Minute was approved by the Board at the meeting on 4 August 2022

Signed by Chairperson:	
Date:	-