


## Abronhill Housing Association

Remote Special Management Committee held on Thursday 23 June 2022 via Zoom at 17:00hrs

### Minutes

<b>Present:</b>	C Burns	R Russell	I Smith
	A Smith	W Noon	
<b>In Attendance:</b>	S Macintyre	J Daisley	

	<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Action</b>
	S Macintyre asked C Burns if he would Chair the meeting as P Broadwith had submitted an apology.	
<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies</b>  Apologies had been received from P Broadwith and D Brown.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>  There were no declarations of interest.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Planning for the Future Cover Report</b>  S Macintyre was asked to arrange a meeting with the Management Committee to discuss the Association's options when the current contract for providing Director Services ends at the end of May 2023.  S Macintyre has spoken to J Mulholland who previously provided Director Services to the Association to obtain advice on the expectations of the Scottish Housing Regulator (SHR). When senior staff leave an organisation it becomes a notifiable event with the SHR. J Mulholland advised that the SHR would expect the Association to carry out an options appraisal in this situation.  <b>Planning for the Future – Presentation</b>  A copy of the presentation was issued with the papers. The three options for consideration by committee are:-  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Seek an extension to current contract with Hillhead Housing Association.</li><li>2. Consider whether it is feasible and affordable to directly employ a Director (full or part time).</li><li>3. Continue to buy in services and undertake a new procurement exercise to find a new provider.</li></ol>	

	<p>R Russell asked if merging with another Housing Association would be an option. S Macintyre advised that this would be included as part of an options appraisal as would the option of remaining an independent organisation.</p> <p>R Russell asked if we should consult tenants to ask what they would like? S Macintyre advised that if following an options appraisal the desired outcome was to merge with another Housing Association then we would require to consult with and ballot tenants.</p> <p>W Noon commented that the Association is accountable to the SHR and that any decisions made by the Committee need to be based on facts. There are economic pressures to be considered and compliance is becoming more onerous. As one of the smallest association's in Scotland with a small staff team there is a large dependence on the Director overseeing everything.</p> <p>Following discussion the Committee agreed to appoint a consultant after the summer to carry out an options appraisal and to look at the spending implications from the 30 year projections. This will give the Committee time to consider all options fully. S Macintyre advised that he will speak to J Mulholland regarding appointing a consultant and would look to receive proposals from 3 or 4 consultants.</p> <p></p> <p>S Macintyre confirmed that the SHR should be advised of the Association's intentions and that he would make appropriate contact.</p>	
<p><b>4.</b></p>	<p><b>Any Other Competent Business</b></p> <p>C Burns advised that he had attended a SHARE training course on recruiting senior staff and would be happy to share the notes with committee members.</p> <p>W Noon confirmed that he would be unable to attend the committee meeting on 30 June 2022.</p>	
<p><b>5.</b></p>	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting:</b> 30 June 2022</p>	

**Signed as a true record by the Chairperson**

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