

EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of LATCo Shareholder Committee held at Otter Room, Blackdown House, Heathpark Industrial Estate, Honiton EX14 1EJ on 29 October 2025

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The meeting started at 5.00 pm and ended at 5.32 pm

1 Appointment of Chair

Nominations were sought for the appointment of the Chair for the LATCo Shareholder Committee.

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Paul Arnott was nominated and duly seconded and unanimously appointed as the Chair of the LATCo Shareholder Committee.

RESOLVED:

To appoint the Leader of Council, Councillor Paul Arnott as the Chair for the LATCo Shareholder Committee.

2 Appointment of Vice Chair

The Chair invited nominations for the Vice Chair of the LATCo Shareholder Committee.

The Deputy Leader, Councillor John Loudoun, was nominated and having being proposed and seconded was unanimously appointed as the Vice Chair for the LATCo Shareholder Committee.

RESOLVED:

To appoint the Deputy Leader, Councillor John Loudoun as the Vice Chair for the LATCo Shareholder Committee.

3 Appointment of Councillors on the LATCo Shareholder Committee

The Chair confirmed that the membership of the LATCo Shareholder Committee would be:

- Leader of Council – Councillor Paul Arnott
- Deputy Leader – Councillor John Loudoun
- Portfolio Holder Environment – Operations – Councillor Geoff Jung
- Portfolio Holder Finance – Councillor Sam Hawkins
- Portfolio Holder Place, Infrastructure & Strategic Planning – Councillor Todd Olive

RESOLVED:

That the membership of the LATCo Shareholder Committee as set out above is noted.

4 Apologies

There were none.

5 Declarations of Interest

6 **Public Speaking**

There were no members of the public registered to speak at the meeting.

7 **Matters of Urgency**

There were no matters of urgency.

8 **Confidential/Exempt item(s)**

There was one item of confidential/exempt business which was set out in Agenda Item 10.

9 **Local Government Act 1972 - Exclusion of the Press and Public**

Having been duly proposed and seconded the LATCo Shareholder Committee

RESOLVED:

That the press and public were excluded from the meeting, on the basis that if they were present during the business to be transacted there would be a likelihood of disclosure of exempt information, within the meaning of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, Paragraph 2 (Information relating to any individual).

10 **Appointment of Managing Director for the Recycling and Waste
LATCo**

The LATCo Shareholder Committee received a report seeking the appointment of a Managing Director of the LATCo.

The committee received a verbal update from the Chair of the Recruitment Panel.

Having been duly proposed and seconded the LATCo Shareholder Committee unanimously approved the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That the LATCo Shareholder Committee approve:

1. That the preferred candidate is candidate A.
2. That the reserve candidate is B.
3. That upon the LATCo being established instructs the Directors of the LATCo to appoint the preferred candidate to the role of Managing Director.
4. That in the event that it is not possible to appoint the preferred candidate, instruct the Directors of the LATCo to appoint the Reserve Candidate as the Managing Director, following consultation with the Interim Director of Place.
5. That delegated authority is given to the Interim Director of Place to determine and negotiate relevant terms of appointment for the Managing Director as set out at paragraph 4.2 of the exempt report.

Attendance List

Councillors present:

P Arnott
S Hawkins

G Jung
J Loudoun
T Olive

Councillors also present (for some or all the meeting)

P Faithfull

Officers in attendance:

Simon Davey, Director of Finance
Tracy Hendren, Chief Executive
Andrew Melhuish, Democratic Services Manager
David Robertson, Project Manager Recycling and Waste
Melanie Wellman, Director of Governance (Monitoring Officer)

Councillor apologies:

None.

Chair

Date: