

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held Tuesday 23 November 2021 from 2pm at
Silverstone Interactive Museum, Silverstone Circuit, Silverstone, Towcester, Bucks NN12 8TN

MINUTES

Present : There being in excess of 6 Members to the organisation present in person or via virtual platform, the meeting was deemed to be quorate in line with the requirements of the company's Articles of Association.

1 WELCOME

Michael Garvey (Chairman) welcomed all those attending the Buckinghamshire Business First (BBF) Annual General Meeting, paying tribute to the BBF team for the work undertaken during the organisation's 10th anniversary year. BBF is firmly embedded within the Buckinghamshire business community and is a trusted partner to a wide range of stakeholders, including Buckinghamshire Council, Buckinghamshire Local Enterprise Partnership, and the many thousands of businesses in membership of BBF.

BBF was created to offer an entrepreneurial response to the "white space" left in the county as Local Enterprise Partnerships were formed following the dissolution of Regional Development Agencies. Buckinghamshire faced serious problems at that point and, in the wave of the Covid-19 pandemic and the effects of Brexit, continues to face serious problems today; it is becoming increasingly clear that the consequences of the pandemic will have a "very long tail".

The organisation's annual report highlights much of the excellent work undertaken by the BBF team who are closely engaged/working with the organisation's membership, demonstrating the palpable collaboration across Buckinghamshire's business community.

2 NOTING OF PROXIES

No proxies had been received.

3 RECEIPT OF REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

Resolution 1

"THAT the meeting receive the reports of the Directors and Auditors and accounts of the Company for the period ended 31 March 2021."

The resolution was carried by a majority.

4 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

Resolution 2

"THAT Richardsons Financial Group be reappointed as Auditors for the financial year to 31 March 2022 and that the directors be authorised to determine the auditors' remuneration."

The resolution was carried by a majority.

5 RETIREMENT AND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The following directors have been deemed by the Board to retire by rotation under Article 23 of the Articles of Association and offer themselves for re-election: Hiren Gandhi, Eman Martin-Vignerte, Michael Harris, and Mark Walker.

Resolution 3

"THAT Hiren Gandhi be re-elected as a director of the Company."

The resolution was carried by a majority.

Resolution 4

"THAT Eman Martin-Vignerte be re-elected as a director of the Company."

The resolution was carried by a majority.

Resolution 5

"THAT Michael Harris be re-elected as a director of the Company."

The resolution was carried by a majority.

Resolution 6

"THAT Mark Walker be re-elected as a director of the Company."

The resolution was carried by a majority.

6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Nothing of note.

There being no other business, the formal meeting closed at 2.20pm.