7. Annex C

Heart of the South West CIC Members Meeting 14th July 2023

It is proposed to make amendments to the following relating to the Somerset Public Sector Directors, following the establishment of Somerset Council on 1st April 2023. The other Articles will remain unchanged.

Current Articles

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 - vi. up to five Directors co-opted by the Directors in accordance with Article 27.

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- 22.1 Each of Devon County Council, Plymouth City Council, Somerset County Council and Torbay Council and, as determined by the Directors, a District Council from Somerset and a District Council from Devon (as determined by the Directors) have the right to appoint one elected member as a Public Sector Director. Such an appointment is to take effect when notified to the Company in writing and delivered to the Registered Office, a Directors' meeting or the Secretary in person.
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- 22.3 The Council which appointed an individual as a Public Sector Director in accordance with Article 22.1 is entitled to remove him or her at any time in the same way as it appointed him or her.
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MEMBERS BECOMING AND CEASING TO BE A MEMBER

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SCHEDULE

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