### HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## **Decision Report**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Date:	27 October 2021
Title:	Manydown, Basingstoke - Revisions to Officer Representation on the Joint Venture Boards and associated Officer Delegations
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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## **Purpose of this Report**

 This report identifies proposed amendments to the Officer representation on the Manydown Garden Communities (MGC) LLP and Manydown Development Vehicle (MDV) LLP Boards and the necessary transfer of associated Officer delegations for the Manydown project.

#### Recommendations

- That approval be given to the revised County Council Member Representatives on the Manydown Garden Communities (MGC) LLP and the Manydown Development Vehicle (MDV) LLP on the basis set out in paragraph 7 and 8 of the report.
- 3. That approval be given to the transfer of all previous officer delegations given to Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services (Assistant Director Property and Facilities) in respect of the overall Manydown project to the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services (Strategic Manager [Development and] Delivery).

### **Executive Summary**

4. This report seeks to identify the required changes to and proposes revised County Council Officer representation on the Manydown Garden Communities (MGC) LLP and Manydown Development Vehicle (MDV) LLP and transfer of associated delegations.

#### **Contextual Information**

5. Members will recall that the Governance arrangements for the Manydown North involves two Joint Venture vehicles. The first Joint Venture, known as the Manydown Gardens Communities LLP is between Hampshire County Council and Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council. The second, known as the Manydown Development Vehicle LLP is between the Council's joint venture and the selected development partner Urban&Civic/Wellcome. Both joint venture arrangements have Boards and have Officer representatives nominated onto them. Approval to the existing County Council Officer representatives was secured in March 2019.

## Manydown North – LLP representatives and Delegations

- 6. As the grant of outline planning consent for Manydown North is now imminent and the project moves into the implementation phase with the selected development partner Urban&Civic/Wellcome, an opportunity has been taken to review the County Council Officer representation on both the Manydown Garden Communities (MGC) LLP and Manydown Development Vehicle (MDV) LLP Boards.
- 7. It is proposed that the Assistant Director Property and Facilities be replaced by the Strategic Manager (Development and) Delivery on both LLP Boards with the other previously approved Elected Member and/or Officer representatives for each Board remaining the same.
- 8. To ensure the County Council's representation on each Board is sufficiently resilient, each Officer Representative has an approved substitute. To maintain project continuity (and following recent promotion), it is proposed that the Director of Corporate Resources (rather than the Head of Finance) becomes the substitute for the Director of CCBS on both Boards. The remaining substitutes on the MGC LLP remain unchanged. On the MDV LLP Board there is a need to identify an alternative substitute following the change in role for the Strategic Manager (Development and) Delivery who was previously a substitute for this Board. It is proposed that a Senior Delivery Manager from within Property Services will operate as a substitute for both Strategic Manager (Development and) Delivery and also the Senior Development Manager.
- 9. With the change in nominated representatives on both LLP Boards noted above, it is recommended that <u>all</u> previous delegations afforded to Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services (Assistant Director- Property and Facilities) in respect of the Manydown project should be transferred to the

Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services (Strategic Manager [Development and] Delivery).

#### Performance

10. The decisions in this report will ensure that effective project governance is in place for the Manydown project and to ensure the County Council is appropriately represented within each of the Joint Venture Boards. This change will help contribute to all of the Corporate Priorities.

# **Consultation and Equalities**

11. No formal consultation has been necessary in relation to this decision.

## **Climate Change Impact Assessment**

12. The County Council's tools to assess climate change adaptation and mitigation were found not to be applicable to this decision on the grounds that it relates to the transfer of Officer representation and administrative functions rather than to a specific programme of work.

# **REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:**

# Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	yes
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	yes

# Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:			
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>		
Strategic Land Update	8/3/19		
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives			
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>		
Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents			
The following documents discuss facts or matters on which to important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a return the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published)	material extent in		

documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

<u>Document</u>	Location
None	

### **EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:**

# 0. Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionally low.

#### 1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

(a) The recommendations in this report do not contain any proposals that may have an equalities impact.