

## Birmingham City Council

### Report to Cabinet Committee – Group Company Governance

17 September 2020



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**Subject:** Company Update  
**Report of:** Rebecca Hellard, Interim Chief Finance Officer  
**Relevant Cabinet Member:** Councillor Brigid Jones  
**Relevant O &S Chair(s):** Councillor Sir Albert Bore  
**Report author:** Alison Jarrett

Are specific wards affected?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – All wards affected
If yes, name(s) of ward(s):		
Is this a key decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, add Forward Plan Reference:		
Is the decision eligible for call-in?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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#### 1 Executive Summary

This report provides Members with an update on changes within entities that fall within the Council's group structure.

#### 2 Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are asked to note the information provided within the report and at private appendix 1 which contains commercially confidential details concerning associated companies.

### 3 Background

3.1 There have been a number of changes in companies that fall within the Council's group structure, which have been detailed below.

#### 3.2 Company Changes

Details of the changes in companies are set out below, where a termination or appointment is made that is not a BCC member, officer or associate it is not noted.

1. FRONTIER DEVELOPMENT HOLDINGS LIMITED (09970140) - 07-Jul-20 - Notification of Alison Jarrett as a person with significant control on 31 March 2020
2. BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT HOLDINGS LIMITED (03312673) - 13-Jul-20 - Termination of appointment of Waseem Zaffar as a director on 1 July 2020
3. BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT HOLDINGS LIMITED (03312673) - 13-Jul-20 - Termination of appointment of Kevin John Hicks as a director on 1 July 2020
4. BIRMINGHAM MUSEUMS TRUST (07737797)- 28-Jul-20 - Termination of appointment of Randal Anthony Maddock Brew as a director on 16 July 2020
5. BIRMINGHAM MUSEUMS TRUST (07737797) - 28-Jul-20 - Appointment of Mr Robert James Cambary Alden as a director on 16 July 2020
6. FRONTIER DEVELOPMENT CAPITAL LIMITED (09967393) - 31-Jul-20 - Appointment of Mrs Alison Jane Jarrett as a director on 13 July 2020
7. ACIVICO LIMITED (07792304) - 05-Aug-20 - Termination of appointment of Ian Harley Benson as a director on 31 July 2020

#### 3.3 Annual accounts have been submitted for the following companies:

Company		unqualified audit (where applicable)
BHX (SCOTLAND) LIMITED (SC445279)	Unaudited abridged accounts made up to 31 March 2020	N/A
BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT HOLDINGS LIMITED (03312673)	Group of companies' accounts made up to 31 March 2020	Y
BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT LIMITED (02078273)	Full accounts made up to 31 March 2020	Y
BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT PENSION TRUSTEES LIMITED (08462219)	Accounts for a dormant company made up to 31 March 2020	N/A
BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT (FINANCE) PLC	Full accounts made up to 31 March 2020	Y

BHX FIRE AND RESCUE LIMITED (05997636)	Consolidated accounts of parent company for subsidiary company period ending 31/03/20	Y
BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT OPERATIONS LIMITED (09915844)	Consolidated accounts of parent company for subsidiary company period ending 31/03/20	Y
EURO-HUB (BIRMINGHAM) LIMITED (02403252)	Consolidated accounts of parent company for subsidiary company period ending 31/03/20	Y
EURO-HUB (BIRMINGHAM) LIMITED (02403252)	Audit exemption subsidiary accounts made up to 31 March 2020	N/A
FIRST CASTLE DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED (02783202)	Consolidated accounts of parent company for subsidiary company period ending 31/03/20	Y
BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT AIR TRAFFIC LIMITED (08201487)	Consolidated accounts of parent company for subsidiary company period ending 31/03/20	Y
BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED (02295119)	Consolidated accounts of parent company for subsidiary company period ending 31/03/20	Y
BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT SERVICES LIMITED (08203043)	Consolidated accounts of parent company for subsidiary company period ending 31/03/20	Y
INREACH (BIRMINGHAM) LIMITED (09352102)	Accounts for a small company made up to 31 March 2020	Y
HARBORNE VILLAGE BID LTD (11123874)	Micro company accounts made up to 31 December 2019	N/A
ACIVICO LIMITED (07792304)	Group of companies' accounts made up to 31 March 2020	Y
ACIVICO (DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT) LIMITED (07918913)	Full accounts made up to 31 March 2020	Y
ACIVICO (BUILDING CONSULTANCY) LIMITED (07918763)	Full accounts made up to 31 March 2020	Y
KINGS HEATH BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (05785221)	Micro company accounts made up to 30 April 2020	N/A
GORDON AND PHILLIPS WORDS AND PICTURES COMPANY LTD (08144984)	Micro company accounts made up to 31 July 2020	N/A

### 3.4 Covid-19

A review of the material group company interests of the council is an ongoing process to understand the impact of Covid-19 on their business plans and performance. This review was first undertaken over the initial weeks of lockdown and is refreshed as further information becomes available both nationally, within the industry categories and within each organisation. This review will continue to be updated and a snapshot reported to each meeting of the Group Company Governance Committee. Where an

interest of the council is or may become materially impacted then that company will be invited to attend Group Company Governance Committee. Where it is indicated that there is a risk of a financial impact to the council then that will be reported within the regular revenue and capital monitoring reports to Cabinet. Under this premise, the Birmingham Museums Trust have attended, the Children's Trust is on today's agenda and Acivico Group are to attend the next meeting of the Committee.

The detailed review contains commercially sensitive information that may impact on performance were it to be made public. A private appendix is presented on the private agenda.

#### **4 Options considered and Recommended Proposal**

- 4.1 This report provides information to Members on changes to organisations that fall within the Council's group structure. Further reports will be provided to future meetings of this committee.

#### **5 Consultation**

- 5.1 The Chair of the Committee has been consulted in the preparation of this Report.

#### **6 Risk Management**

- 6.1 This report sets out information on external organisations associated with the Council.

#### **7 Compliance Issues:**

##### **7.1 How are the recommended decisions consistent with the City Council's priorities, plans and strategies?**

- a) The Council provides services to community through a number of different vehicles. This report provides information on entities associated with the Council through which service delivery is being provided.

##### **7.2 Legal Implications**

- a) The Council's Section 151 Officer has a duty to ensure the proper administration of the Council's financial affairs. The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, requires the Council to have effective arrangements for the management of risk.

##### **7.3 Financial Implications**

- a) The Council needs to consider whether any of the changes in the company group structure has a financial impact on or increases the financial risks to the Council.

##### **7.4 Procurement Implications**

- a) There are no procurement implications directly arising from this report.

##### **7.5 Human Resources Implications**

- a) There are no human resources implications directly arising from this report.

##### **7.6 Public Sector Equality Duty**

- a) There are no equality duty or equality analysis issues relating to the proposals set out in this report.

## **8 Background Documents**

CIPFA Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting