

Birmingham City Council

Report to Cabinet Committee – Group Company Governance

13 February 2019



Subject: Overview of Companies – A Report for Information
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Relevant Cabinet Member: Councillor Brigid Jones
Relevant O & S Chair(s): Councillor Sir Albert Bore
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1 Executive Summary

1.1 This report provides Members with an example fact sheet detailing an overview of information relating to one of the Companies in which the Council is sole shareholder.

2 Recommendations

2.1 Members are asked to:

- note the information provided
- consider whether the information provided is sufficient by way of providing an overview of a Company to the Committee. The Committee is invited to request

further information, or details of specific information they would find useful in any future company overview fact sheet.

3 Background

- 3.1 The Council owns, appoints to or otherwise has an interest in approximately 170 organisations made up of limited companies, charities, trusts and other entities.
- 3.2 The Committee has requested a cleansing exercise to review the list of companies and organisations in order to obtain background information and a summary of the governance arrangements for each entity in order to inform the Committee and assist with future decisions relating to individual company governance.
- 3.3 InReach (Birmingham) Limited has been selected in the first instance to provide an example template information sheet containing a summary of background information and is attached to this report.
- 3.4 The Committee is invited to consider whether the template information sheet is sufficient for the purposes of providing an initial overview of a company and whether there is any additional information the Committee would like to be included in any future information sheet for a company.

4 Options considered and Recommended Proposal

- 4.1 The report is for information only

5 Consultation

- 5.1 The Chair of the Committee has been consulted.

6 Risk Management

- 6.1 The report is for information only

7 Compliance Issues:

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

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- 7.2 **Legal Implications**

- a) None – the report is for information only

- 7.3 **Financial Implications**

- a) None –the report is for information only

- 7.4 **Procurement Implications**

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

- 7.5 **Human Resources Implications (if required)**

- 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

8.1 None

Appendix 1

Example Information Sheet for Overview of InReach (Birmingham) Limited