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Subject: Appointment of replacement company Director & appointment of Chair of the Board of Directors - Great Yarmouth Services Ltd

**Report to: ELT - 8 March 2023
Policy & Resources Committee – 14 March 2023**

Report by: Head of Legal & Governance, Monitoring Officer



SUBJECT MATTER

Following Kate Blakemore’s resignation as Director, the appointment of a replacement Director for Great Yarmouth Services Limited and appointment of Chair of the Board of Directors

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Committee:

appoint Paula Boyce, the Council’s Strategic Director, as a company Director of Great Yarmouth Services Limited and as Chair of the Board of Directors.

1. INTRODUCTION & CONTEXT

- 1.1 Great Yarmouth Services Limited (“GYS”) is a company limited by guarantee and wholly owned by the Council. It was incorporated on 28 July 2022 and preparations are ongoing for the transfer of assets and personnel from GYB Services Limited (“GYB Services”), the existing joint venture company partly owned by Norse Commercial Services. GYS will take over service delivery from 1 April 2023
- 1.2 The Directors appointed to GYS at the date of incorporation were Chris Silverwood - the Council’s Director of Operational Services, Kate Blakemore – the Council’s Strategic Director (also appointed as Chair of the Board of Directors of GYS) and Karen Sly - the Council’s Finance Director and s151 Officer.
- 1.3 Kate Blakemore left the Council’s employment in February 2023 and accordingly resigned her Directorship of GYS and her role as Chair of the Board. Replacements are required in both roles.
- 1.4 Directors may not be appointed to GYS without the consent of the Council. The company articles of GYS also require the Council, as controlling member of GYS, to appoint a Chair of the Board. By a decision of full Council in October 2022 the Council’s role as sole and controlling member of GYS was delegated to Policy & Resources Committee, which is now asked to make the appointments described above.

1.5 Paula Boyce is particularly well qualified to undertake these roles with GYS, being a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Wastes Management and holding a Master's degree in Solid Waste Management.

2. **Financial Implications** - none particular

3. **Legal Implications** - none particular

4. **Appendices** - none

5. **Background Documents** - none

Area for consideration	Comment
Monitoring Officer Consultation:	MO's report
Section 151 Officer Consultation:	The s151 officer is a Director of the Board of GYS
Existing Council Policies:	None
Financial Implications (including VAT and tax):	None
Legal Implications (including human rights):	None
Risk Implications:	None
Equality Issues/EQIA assessment:	None
Crime & Disorder:	None
Every Child Matters:	None