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# THE COMPANIES ACT 2006 WRITTEN RESOLUTION

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## **GLADBROOK DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED**

(Company)

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Pursuant to Chapter 2 of Part 13 of the Companies Act 2006 (Act), the directors of the Company propose that the following resolutions (**Resolutions**) are passed:

# **Special Resolution**

THAT, in accordance with section 21 of the Act, the new Articles of Association of the Company, a copy of which is attached hereto (the **New Articles**), be hereby approved.

Please read the notes at the end of this document before you signify your agreement to the Resolutions.

The undersigned, being a person entitled to vote on the Resolutions on the Circulation Date, hereby irrevocably agrees to the Resolutions.

Ilija Kristurovic
Signed by Ilija Kusturovic

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## **Notes**

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  - Email: by attaching a scanned copy of the signed copy to an e-mail and sending it to melody@gladbrook.co.uk.
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# PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

## **ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

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# **GLADBROOK DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED**

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## **GLADBROOK DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED**

(Adopted by special resolution passed on 7 December 2019)

## INTRODUCTION

## 1 Interpretation

1.1 In these Articles, unless the context otherwise requires:

Act: means the Companies Act 2006;

Appointor: has the meaning given in Article 11.1;

Articles: means the Company's articles of association for the time being in force;

**Available Profits:** means profits available for distribution within the meaning of part 23 of the Act;

**Business Day:** means any day (other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in the United Kingdom) on which clearing banks in the City of London are generally open for business;

Company Redemption Notice: has the meaning given in Article 19.2;

Conflict: has the meaning given in Article 7.1;

**Eligible Director**: means a director who would be entitled to vote on the matter at a meeting of directors (but excluding any director whose vote is not to be counted in respect of the particular matter);

**Default Rate:** means the percentage calculated as LIBOR plus 6.0%;

**Financial Year:** means an accounting reference period (as defined in section 391 of the Act) of the Company;

Interested Director: has the meaning given in Article 7.1;

**Issue Price:** means in respect of any Share, the subscription price paid (or agreed to be paid) in respect of that Share, including any share premium;

LIBOR: means, in respect of any Financial Year, the London interbank offered rate administered by ICE Benchmark Administration Limited (or any other person which takes over the administration of that rate) for 3 months pounds sterling loans in force on the first Business Day of that Financial Year and as displayed on pages LIBOR01 or LIBOR02 of the Reuters screen (or any replacement Reuters page which displays that rate) or on the appropriate page of such other information service which publishes that rate from time to time in place of Reuters. If such page or service ceases to be available, the Company may specify another page or service displaying the relevant rate after consultation with the holders of Preference Shares;

Margin: means the percentage calculated as LIBOR plus 2.0%;

**Model Articles:** means the model articles for private companies limited by shares contained in Schedule 1 of the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (*SI 2008/3229*) as amended prior to the date of adoption of these Articles;

**Non-Participating Ordinary Share:** means a voting share of £1.00 in the capital of the Company;

**Non-Voting Ordinary Share:** means a non-voting ordinary share of £1.00 in the capital of the Company;

Preference Dividend: has the meaning given in Article 16.2;

**Preference Share:** means a cumulative redeemable preference share of £1.00 in the capital of the Company; and

Share: means a share in the capital of the Company.

- 1.2 Save as otherwise specifically provided in these Articles, words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Model Articles shall have the same meanings in these Articles, subject to which and unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Act shall have the same meanings in these Articles.
- 1.3 Headings in these Articles are used for convenience only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of these Articles.
- 1.4 A reference in these Articles to an "Article" is a reference to the relevant Article of these Articles unless expressly provided otherwise.
- 1.5 Unless expressly provided otherwise, a reference to a statute, statutory provision or subordinate legislation is a reference to it as it is in force from time to time, taking account of:
  - (a) any subordinate legislation from time to time made under it; and
  - (b) any amendment or re-enactment and includes any statute, statutory provision or subordinate legislation which it amends or re-enacts.
- Any phrase introduced by the terms **including**, **include**, **in particular** or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words preceding those terms.
- 1.7 The Model Articles shall apply to the Company, except in so far as they are modified or excluded by, or are inconsistent with, these Articles.
- 1.8 Articles 8, 9(1), 11(2) and (3), 13, 14(1), (2), (3) and (4), 17(2), 18(e), 44(2), 49, 52 and 53 of the Model Articles shall not apply to the Company.
- 1.9 Article 7 of the Model Articles shall be amended by:
  - (a) the insertion of the words "for the time being" at the end of article 7(2)(a); and
  - (b) the insertion in article 7(2) of the words "(for so long as he remains the sole director)" after the words "and the director may".
- 1.10 Article 20 of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words "(including alternate directors) and the secretary" before the words "properly incur".
- 1.11 In article 25(2)(c) of the Model Articles, the words "evidence, indemnity and the payment of a reasonable fee" shall be deleted and replaced with the words "evidence and indemnity".

- 1.12 Article 27(3) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words ", subject to article 10." after the word "But".
- 1.13 Article 29 of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words ", or the name of any person(s) named as the transferee(s) in an instrument of transfer executed under article 28(2) of the Model Articles," after the words "the transmittee's name".
- 1.14 Articles 31(1)(a) to (c) (inclusive) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the deletion, in each case, of the words "either" and "or as the directors may otherwise decide". Article 31(d) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the deletion of the words "either" and "or by such other means as the directors decide".

## **DIRECTORS**

## 2 Unanimous decisions

- 2.1 A decision of the directors is taken in accordance with this Article when all Eligible Directors indicate to each other by any means that they share a common view on a matter.
- 2.2 Such a decision may take the form of a resolution in writing, where each Eligible Director has signed one or more copies of it, or to which each Eligible Director has otherwise indicated agreement in writing.
- 2.3 A decision may not be taken in accordance with this Article if the Eligible Directors would not have formed a quorum at such a meeting.

## 3 Calling a directors' meeting

Any director may call a directors' meeting by giving not less than 5 Business Days' notice of the meeting (or such lesser notice as all the directors may agree) to the directors or by authorising the company secretary (if any) to give such notice.

## 4 Quorum for directors' meetings

- 4.1 Subject to Article 4.2, the quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of directors is any two Eligible Directors.
- 4.2 For the purposes of any meeting (or part of a meeting) held pursuant to Article 7 to authorise a director's conflict, if there is only one Eligible Director in office other than the conflicted director(s), the quorum for such meeting (or part of a meeting) shall be one Eligible Director.
- 4.3 If the total number of directors in office for the time being is less than the quorum required, the directors must not take any decision other than a decision:
  - (a) to appoint further directors; or
  - (b) to call a general meeting so as to enable the shareholders to appoint further directors.

# 5 Casting vote

If the numbers of votes for and against a proposal at a meeting of directors are equal, the chairman or other director chairing the meeting shall not have a casting vote.

## 6 Transactions or other arrangements with the Company

6.1 Subject to sections 177(5) and 177(6) and sections 182(5) and 182(6) of the Act and provided he has declared the nature and extent of his interest in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts, a director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in an existing or proposed transaction or arrangement with the Company.

- may be a party to, or otherwise interested in, any transaction or arrangement with the Company or in which the Company is otherwise (directly or indirectly) interested;
- (b) shall be an Eligible Director for the purposes of any proposed decision of the directors (or committee of directors) in respect of such existing or proposed transaction or arrangement in which he is interested;
- (c) shall be entitled to vote at a meeting of directors (or of a committee of the directors) or participate in any unanimous decision, in respect of such existing or proposed transaction or arrangement in which he is interested;
- (d) may act by himself or his firm in a professional capacity for the Company (otherwise than as auditor) and he or his firm shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if he were not a director:
- (e) may be a director or other officer of, or employed by, or a party to a transaction or arrangement with, or otherwise interested in, any body corporate in which the Company is otherwise (directly or indirectly) interested; and
- (f) shall not, save as he may otherwise agree, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he (or a person connected with him (as defined in section 252 of the Act)) derives from any such transaction or arrangement or from any such office or employment or from any interest in any such body corporate and no such transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be avoided on the grounds of any such interest or benefit nor shall the receipt of any such remuneration or other benefit constitute a breach of his duty under section 176 of the Act.

## 7 Directors' conflicts of interest

- 7.1 The directors may, in accordance with the requirements set out in this Article, authorise any matter or situation proposed to them by any director which would, if not authorised, involve a director (an **Interested Director**) breaching his duty under section 175 of the Act to avoid conflicts of interest (a **Conflict**).
- 7.2 Any authorisation under this Article 7 will be effective only if:
  - (a) to the extent permitted by the Act, the matter in question shall have been proposed by any director for consideration in the same way that any other matter may be proposed to the directors under the provisions of these Articles or in such other manner as the directors may determine;
  - (b) any requirement as to the quorum for consideration of the relevant matter is met without counting the Interested Director or any other interested director; and
  - (c) the matter was agreed to without the Interested Director voting or would have been agreed to if the Interested Director's and any other interested director's vote had not been counted.
- 7.3 Any authorisation of a Conflict under this Article 7 may (whether at the time of giving the authorisation or subsequently):
  - (a) extend to any actual or potential conflict of interest which may reasonably be expected to arise out of the matter or situation so authorised;
  - (b) provide that the Interested Director be excluded from the receipt of documents and information and the participation in discussions (whether at meetings of the directors or otherwise) related to the Conflict:
  - (c) provide that the Interested Director shall or shall not be an Eligible Director in respect of any future decision of the directors in relation to any resolution related to the Conflict;

- (d) impose upon the Interested Director such other terms for the purposes of dealing with the Conflict as the directors think fit:
- (e) provide that, where the Interested Director obtains, or has obtained (through his involvement in the Conflict and otherwise than through his position as a director of the Company) information that is confidential to a third party, he will not be obliged to disclose that information to the Company, or to use it in relation to the Company's affairs where to do so would amount to a breach of that confidence; and
- (f) permit the Interested Director to absent himself from the discussion of matters relating to the Conflict at any meeting of the directors and be excused from reviewing papers prepared by, or for, the directors to the extent they relate to such matters.
- 7.4 Where the directors authorise a Conflict, the Interested Director will be obliged to conduct himself in accordance with any terms and conditions imposed by the directors in relation to the Conflict.
- 7.5 The directors may revoke or vary such authorisation at any time, but this will not affect anything done by the Interested Director, prior to such revocation or variation, in accordance with the terms of such authorisation.
- 7.6 A director is not required, by reason of being a director (or because of the fiduciary relationship established by reason of being a director), to account to the Company for any remuneration, profit or other benefit which he derives from or in connection with a relationship involving a Conflict which has been authorised by the directors or by the Company in general meeting (subject in each case to any terms, limits or conditions attaching to that authorisation) and no contract shall be liable to be avoided on such grounds.

## 8 Records of decisions to be kept

Where decisions of the directors are taken by electronic means, such decisions shall be recorded by the directors in permanent form, so that they may be read with the naked eye.

## 9 Number of directors

Unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution, the number of directors (other than alternate directors) shall not be subject to any maximum but shall not be less than two.

## 10 Appointment of directors

In any case where, as a result of death or bankruptcy, the Company has no shareholders and no directors, the transmittee(s) of the last shareholder to have died or to have a bankruptcy order made against him (as the case may be) have the right, by notice in writing, to appoint a natural person (including a transmittee who is a natural person), who is willing to act and is permitted to do so, to be a director.

## 11 Appointment and removal of alternate directors

- 11.1 Any director (the **Appointor**) may appoint as an alternate any other director, or any other person approved by resolution of the directors, to:
  - (a) exercise that director's powers; and
  - (b) carry out that director's responsibilities,

in relation to the taking of decisions by the directors, in the absence of the alternate's Appointor.

Any appointment or removal of an alternate must be effected by notice in writing to the Company signed by the Appointor, or in any other manner approved by the directors.

#### 11.3 The notice must:

- (a) identify the proposed alternate; and
- (b) in the case of a notice of appointment, contain a statement signed by the proposed alternate that the proposed alternate is willing to act as the alternate of the director giving the notice.

## 12 Rights and responsibilities of alternate directors

- 12.1 An alternate director may act as alternate director to more than one director and has the same rights in relation to any decision of the directors as the alternate's Appointor.
- 12.2 Except as the Articles specify otherwise, alternate directors:
  - (a) are deemed for all purposes to be directors;
  - (b) are liable for their own acts and omissions;
  - (c) are subject to the same restrictions as their Appointors; and
  - (d) are not deemed to be agents of or for their Appointors

and, in particular (without limitation), each alternate director shall be entitled to receive notice of all meetings of directors and of all meetings of committees of directors of which his Appointor is a member.

- 12.3 A person who is an alternate director but not a director:
  - (a) may be counted as participating for the purposes of determining whether a quorum is present (but only if that person's Appointor is not participating);
  - (b) may participate in a unanimous decision of the directors (but only if his Appointor is an Eligible Director in relation to that decision, but does not participate); and
  - (c) shall not be counted as more than one director for the purposes of Articles 12.3(a) and (b).
- 12.4 A director who is also an alternate director is entitled, in the absence of his Appointor, to a separate vote on behalf of his Appointor, in addition to his own vote on any decision of the directors (provided that his Appointor is an Eligible Director in relation to that decision), but shall not count as more than one director for the purposes of determining whether a quorum is present.
- 12.5 An alternate director may be paid expenses and may be indemnified by the Company to the same extent as his Appointor but shall not be entitled to receive any remuneration from the Company for serving as an alternate director except such part of the alternate's Appointor's remuneration as the Appointor may direct by notice in writing made to the Company.

## 13 Termination of alternate directorship

- 13.1 An alternate director's appointment as an alternate terminates:
  - (a) when the alternate's Appointor revokes the appointment by notice to the Company in writing specifying when it is to terminate;
  - (b) on the occurrence, in relation to the alternate, of any event which, if it occurred in relation to the alternate's Appointor, would result in the termination of the Appointor's appointment as a director;
  - (c) on the death of the alternate's Appointor; or

(d) when the alternate's Appointor's appointment as a director terminates.

## 14 Secretary

The directors may appoint any person who is willing to act as the secretary for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as they may think fit and from time to time remove such person and, if the directors so decide, appoint a replacement, in each case by a decision of the directors.

#### **SHARES**

## 15 Rights Attaching to Shares - General

- 15.1 The Shares shall rank pari passu with regard to dividend rights, voting rights and otherwise unless expressly stated otherwise in these Articles.
- No variation of the rights attaching to any class of Shares shall be effective except with the sanction of a special resolution of the holders of the relevant class of Shares. Where a special resolution to vary the rights attaching to a class of Shares is proposed at a separate general meeting of that class of Shares, all the provisions of these Articles as to general meetings of the Company shall mutatis mutandis apply, but so that the necessary quorum shall be one holder of the relevant class present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) by a duly authorised representative. For the purpose of this Article, one holder present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) by a duly authorised representative may constitute a meeting.
- 15.3 Each of the following shall be deemed to constitute a variation of the rights attached to each class of shares:
  - (a) any alteration in the Articles;
  - (b) any reduction, subdivision, consolidation, redenomination, or purchase or redemption by the Company of its own shares or other alteration in the share capital of the Company or any of the rights attaching to any share capital; and
  - (c) any resolution to put the Company into liquidation.

## 16 Dividends

- 16.1 The rights as regards income attaching to each class of Share shall be as set out in this Article.
- The Company shall, without resolution of the directors or of the Company in general meeting and before application of any profits to reserve or for any other purpose, first pay in respect of each Preference Share, a cumulative preferential dividend at the annual rate equal to the Margin of the Issue Price per Preference Share (excluding any associated tax credit) (the **Preference Dividend**).
- 16.3 The Preference Dividend shall be paid on the last day in each Financial Year to the person registered as the holder of such Preference Share at that date, shall accrue daily and shall be calculated in respect of the period to such date assuming a 365 day year.
- The Preference Dividend shall be deemed to accrue from day to day as well after as before the commencement of a winding-up and shall therefore be payable by a liquidator in respect of any period after such commencement in priority to other claims or rights of the holders of other Shares.
- The Preference Dividend shall, provided the Company has sufficient Available Profits out of which to pay the same and notwithstanding that such dividend is expressed to be cumulative, automatically become a debt due from and immediately payable by the Company on the relevant payment date specified in Article 16.3 unless and to the extent that any holder of a Preference Share shall have previously given written notice to the Company either waiving or

deferring the payment of a Preference Dividend for a Financial Year . If and to the extent that the debt so constituted is not paid in full on the payment date concerned, the unpaid amount shall carry interest at the Default Rate in respect of the period from and including the payment date concerned to the date of actual payment.

- 16.6 If the Company is unable to pay in full on the due date any Preference Dividend by reason of having insufficient Available Profits then it shall on such date pay the same to the extent that it is lawfully able to do so and the unpaid amount shall carry interest at the Default Rate in respect of the period from and including the payment date concerned down to and including the date of actual payment. Such interest shall accumulate and form part of the Preference Dividend to which it relates. It shall not therefore become payable until the Company has sufficient Available Profits with which to pay the relevant Preference Dividend.
- 16.7 Where by reason of the Company having had insufficient Available Profits it is in arrears with the payment of dividends, the first Available Profits arising thereafter shall be applied in the following order of priority:
  - (a) first, in or towards paying off all accruals and/or unpaid amounts of Preference Dividend: and
  - (b) second, in or towards redeeming all Preference Shares which have not been redeemed on or by the due date for redemption in accordance with Article 19.
- 16.8 Subject to (i) Article 16.7 and (ii) the directors recommending payment of the same, any Available Profits which the Company may determine to distribute in addition to the Preference Dividend in respect of any Financial Year shall be distributed amongst the holders of the Non-Voting Ordinary Shares.
- 16.9 The holders of Non-Participating Ordinary Shares shall not be entitled to receive any dividend or other distribution declared or made by the Company.

## 17 Return of capital rights

- 17.1 The rights as regards return of capital attaching to each class of Share shall be as set out in this Article.
- On a return of capital on liquidation or otherwise (except on a redemption or purchase by the Company of any Shares), the surplus assets of the Company remaining after the payment of its liabilities (including for the avoidance of doubt any debts arising from non-payment of Preference Dividends) shall be applied in the following order of priority:
  - (a) first, in paying to each holder of Preference Shares in respect of each Preference Share of which it is the holder, an amount equal to (i) 100% of the Issue Price thereof and (ii) the aggregate amount of any accruals and/or unpaid amounts of Preference Dividend (to be calculated down to and including the date of the return of capital and to be payable irrespective of whether such dividend would be unlawful by reason of there being insufficient Available Profits);
  - (b) subject to Article 17.2(c), the balance of such assets (if any) shall be distributed amongst the holders of the Non-Voting Ordinary Shares; and
  - the holders of Non-Participating Ordinary Shares shall not be entitled to participate in any return of capital unless and until the holders of Non-Voting Ordinary Shares have received in aggregate by way of return of capital an amount equal to £1,000,000 for each Non-Voting Ordinary Share held and the right of the holders of Non-Participating Ordinary Shares to participate in such return of capital shall be limited to the right to receive up to £1.00 for each Non-Participating Ordinary Share held.

## 18 Voting rights

18.1 The voting rights attached to each class of Share shall be as set out in this Article.

- On a show of hands, every member holding one or more Non-Participating Ordinary Shares who (being an individual) is present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) is present by a duly authorised representative or by proxy shall have one vote.
- On a poll, every member holding one or more Non-Participating Ordinary Shares who (being an individual) is present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) is present by a duly authorised representative or by proxy shall have one vote for each Non-Participating Ordinary Share of which he is the holder.
- 18.4 Subject to Article 18.5, the Non-Voting Ordinary Shares and the Preference Shares will entitle the holders thereof to receive notice of all general meetings but will not entitle the holders to attend or vote at any general meeting.
- 18.5 The provisions of Article 18.6 shall apply if at any time the Company has not paid any Preference Dividend in respect of three successive Financial Years (irrespective of whether such dividend would be unlawful).
- 18.6 If the provisions of this Article apply then:
  - (a) the Non-Participating Ordinary Shares shall cease to entitle each holder thereof to attend and vote (whether on a show of hands or on a poll) at any general meeting of the Company; and
  - (b) the Preference Shares shall entitle each holder thereof, on a show of hands, to one vote, and on a poll, to one vote for each Preference Share of which it is the holder (and the provisions of Articles 18.1 and 18.2 shall apply, with the necessary changes being made, to the Preference Shares).
- 18.7 The provisions of Article 18.6 shall continue until due payment has been made of all accruals and/or unpaid amounts of any Preference Dividend.

## 19 Redemption rights

- 19.1 The Company may, at any time on not less than 3 months' notice in writing to the holders of Preference Shares, redeem, in multiples of not less than 1,000 Preference Shares (or, if less, the balance of the Preference Shares), such total number of Preference Shares as is specified in such notice.
- 19.2 Where Preference Shares are to be redeemed in accordance with Article 19.1, the Company shall give to the holders of the Preference Shares falling to be redeemed prior notice in writing of the redemption (a **Company Redemption Notice**). The Company Redemption Notice shall specify the particular Preference Shares to be redeemed and the date fixed for redemption.
- 19.3 If the Company is unable, because of having insufficient Available Profits, to redeem in full the relevant number of Preference Shares on the date fixed for redemption, the Company shall redeem as many of such Preference Shares as can lawfully and properly be redeemed and the Company shall redeem the balance as soon as it is lawfully and properly able to do so.
- 19.4 If the Company is at any time redeeming less than all the Preference Shares from time to time in issue, the number of Shares to be redeemed shall be apportioned between those holders of the Preference Shares then in issue pro rata according to the number of Preference Shares held by them respectively at the date fixed for redemption.
- 19.5 On the date fixed for redemption, each of the holders of the Preference Shares falling to be redeemed shall be bound to deliver to the Company, at the Company's registered office, the certificate(s) for such Preference Shares (or an indemnity, in a form reasonably satisfactory to the directors, in respect of any lost certificate) in order that the same may be cancelled. Upon such delivery, the Company shall pay to the holder (or, in the case of any joint holders, to the holder whose name stands first in the Company's register of members in respect of such Preference Shares) the amount due to it in respect of such redemption against delivery of a proper receipt for the redemption monies

- 19.6 If any certificate delivered to the Company pursuant to Article 19.5 includes any Preference Shares not falling to be redeemed on the date fixed for redemption, a new certificate in respect of those Preference Shares shall be issued to the holder(s) thereof as soon as practicable thereafter (and, in any event, within 20 Business Days thereafter).
- 19.7 There shall be paid on the redemption of each Preference Share an amount equal to:
  - (a) 100% of the Issue Price thereof; and
  - (b) all accruals and/or unpaid amounts of Preference Dividend in respect thereof, calculated down to and including the date of actual payment,

and such aggregate amount shall, subject to the Company having Available Profits or other monies which may be lawfully applied for such redemption, at that time become a debt due from and immediately payable by the Company to the holders of such Preference Shares. If and to the extent that the debt so constituted is not paid in full on the due date, the unpaid amount shall carry interest at the Default Rate in respect of the period from and including the due date down to and including the date of actual payment.

- 19.8 If the Company is unable to pay the amounts referred to in Article 19.7 in full on a date fixed for redemption by reason of having insufficient Available Profits or not having other monies which may be lawfully applied for such redemption, then the amount so unpaid shall be increased by an amount equal to the interest which would have accrued had interest on the unpaid amount been charged at the Default Rate in respect of the period from and including the due date down to and including the date of actual payment and shall be paid as soon thereafter as, and to the extent that, Available Profits or other monies that may lawfully be applied for such redemption have arisen.
- 19.9 If the Company fails or is unable to redeem any of the Preference Shares in full on the date due for redemption for any reason whatsoever, all Available Profits (or other monies which may lawfully be applied for the purpose of redeeming Shares) shall be applied in the order of priority specified in Article 16.7.

#### 20 Purchase of own shares

Subject to the Act but without prejudice to any other provision of these Articles, the Company may purchase its own shares in accordance with Chapter 4 of Part 18 of the Act, including (without limitation) with cash up to any amount in a financial year not exceeding the lower of:

- (a) £15,000; and
- (b) the value of 5% of the Company's share capital.

## **DECISION MAKING BY SHAREHOLDERS**

## 21 Poll votes

- A poll may be demanded at any general meeting by any qualifying person (as defined in section 318 of the Act) present and entitled to vote at the meeting.
- 21.2 Article 44(3) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words "A demand so withdrawn shall not invalidate the result of a show of hands declared before the demand was made" as a new paragraph at the end of that article.

#### 22 Proxies

22.1 Article 45(1)(d) of the Model Articles shall be deleted and replaced with the words "is delivered to the Company in accordance with the Articles not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the right to vote is to be exercised and in accordance with any instructions contained in the notice of the general meeting (or adjourned meeting) to which they relate".

22.2 Article 45(1) of the Model Articles shall be amended by the insertion of the words "and a proxy notice which is not delivered in such manner shall be invalid ,unless the directors, in their discretion, accept the notice at any time before the meeting" as a new paragraph at the end of that article.

## ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

#### 23 Means of communication to be used

- 23.1 Any notice, document or other information shall be deemed served on or delivered to the intended recipient:
  - (a) if properly addressed and sent by prepaid United Kingdom first class post to an address in the United Kingdom, 48 hours after it was posted (or five Business Days after posting either to an address outside the United Kingdom or from outside the United Kingdom to an address within the United Kingdom, if (in each case) sent by reputable international overnight courier addressed to the intended recipient, provided that delivery in at least five Business Days was guaranteed at the time of sending and the sending party receives a confirmation of delivery from the courier service provider);
  - (b) if properly addressed and delivered by hand, when it was given or left at the appropriate address;
  - (c) if properly addressed and sent or supplied by electronic means, one hour after the document or information was sent or supplied; and
  - (d) if sent or supplied by means of a website, when the material is first made available on the website or (if later) when the recipient receives (or is deemed to have received) notice of the fact that the material is available on the website.

For the purposes of this Article, no account shall be taken of any part of a day that is not a Business Day.

23.2 In proving that any notice, document or other information was properly addressed, it shall suffice to show that the notice, document or other information was addressed to an address permitted for the purpose by the Act.

# 24 Indemnity

- 24.1 Subject to Article 24.2, but without prejudice to any indemnity to which a relevant officer is otherwise entitled:
  - (a) each relevant officer shall be indemnified out of the Company's assets against all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him as a relevant officer in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of his duties, or in relation to them, including (in each case) any liability incurred by him in defending any civil or criminal proceedings, in which judgment is given in his favour or in which he is acquitted or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his part or in connection with any application in which the court grants him, in his capacity as a relevant officer, relief from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the Company's (or any associated company's) affairs; and
  - (b) the Company may provide any relevant officer with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by him in connection with any proceedings or application referred to in Article 24.1(a) and otherwise may take any action to enable any such relevant officer to avoid incurring such expenditure.
- 24.2 This Article does not authorise any indemnity which would be prohibited or rendered void by any provision of the Act or by any other provision of law.

#### 24.3 In this Article:

- (a) companies are associated if one is a subsidiary of the other or both are subsidiaries of the same body corporate; and
- (b) a **relevant officer** means any director or other officer or former director or other officer of the Company or an associated company, but excluding in each case any person engaged by the Company (or associated company) as auditor (whether or not he is also a director or other officer), to the extent he acts in his capacity as auditor.

#### 25 Insurance

25.1 The directors may decide to purchase and maintain insurance, at the expense of the Company, for the benefit of any relevant officer in respect of any relevant loss.

#### 25.2 In this Article:

- (a) a **relevant officer** means any director or other officer or former director or other officer of the Company or an associated company, but excluding in each case any person engaged by the Company (or associated company) as auditor (whether or not he is also a director or other officer), to the extent he acts in his capacity as auditor);
- (b) a **relevant loss** means any loss or liability which has been or may be incurred by a relevant officer in connection with that relevant officer's duties or powers in relation to the Company, any associated company or any pension fund or employees' share scheme of the Company or associated company; and
- (c) companies are associated if one is a subsidiary of the other or both are subsidiaries of the same body corporate.