

## South Thames Gateway Building Control Joint Committee

Thursday, 14 March 2024

10.00 am

### Present:

Canterbury Cllr Pat Edwards (Chair)

Councillors            Lee Croxton (Gravesham)  
                                 Tim Gibson (Swale)

Janine Weaver            Director of South Thames Gateway Building Control (STGBC)  
Kirsty Stodart            Technical & Administration Manager (STGBC)  
Stuart Bean                Career Grade Planner (Gravesham)  
Karen Gingles             Committee Services Officer (Minutes)

### 22. Apologies for absence

An Apology for absence was received from Gravesham Councillor John Burden, Councillor Lee Croxton attended as his substitute. As Councillor Burden was Chair of STGBC Joint Committee, it was agreed in his absence, Councillor Pat Edwards (Canterbury) would chair the meeting.

Apologies were received from Medway Councillor Naushabah Khan and Medway substitute Cllr Simon Curry. Apologies were also given from Steering Officers Nick Brown (Gravesham), Mark Breathwick (Medway), Joanne Johnson (Swale) and Simon Thomas (Canterbury).

### 23. To sign the Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 7 December 2023 were signed by the Chair.

### 24. To declare any interest members may have in the items contained on this agenda. When declaring an interest a member must state what their interest is.

There were no declarations of interest.

### 25. Proposed Dates for 2024/25 Municipal Year

The Chair notified the Committee of the proposed dates suggested for the STGBC Group to meet in the new municipal year. Proposed dates were as follows:

Thursday 27 June 2024 (AGM), Thursday 26 September 2024, Thursday 12 December 2024, Thursday 13 March 2025. All would be at 10am at The Guildhall, Canterbury.

## **26. Exclusion**

**Resolved** pursuant to Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 that the public be excluded during the following items of business because it was likely in view of the nature of business to be transacted that, if members of the public were present during these items, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information.

## **27. Monitoring Report December to February 2024**

The Director (STGBC) presented the Committee with the Monitoring Report December to February 2024, outlining key points.

The purpose of the report was to update the Joint Committee on the current forecast for the 2023/2024 financial year, giving details against the progress of the objectives of the Business Plan 2023/2024.

It was noted that a small income was received through e-book marketing which was not part of STGBC's direct income. Members agreed that as these funds were not directly being used, they could be utilised in appreciation of the staff.

Members held a robust discussion regarding recent challenges and financial implications.

The Committee noted the report.

### **Close of meeting**

The meeting ended at 10:51am