



1. RECOMMENDATION

1.1 To approve the independent member appointments to the Derby Homes Limited Board as set out below.

- Alison Brown - period of office from 25 September 2008 until 29 October 2009.
- Mike Smith - period of office from 30 October 2008 until 27 October 2011.

2. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

2.1 Derby Homes Limited has recently conducted a recruitment exercise to fill two independent member vacancies following the resignation of Martin Latham on 1 July 2008 and notice given by Sue Glithero of her intention to retire on 30 October 2008.

2.2 A selection panel consisting of Dennis Rees, Chair of Derby Homes, Paul Bayliss, Vice Chair of Derby Homes and Phil Davies, Chief Executive, interviewed 6 candidates. The successful candidates are Alison Brown and Mike Smith.

2.3 Alison Brown

Alison has over 15 years experience of the housing industry, working for housing associations, the Audit Commission and local authorities. She is currently a strategic housing director with The Mears Group plc, a national housing maintenance and domiciliary care company. Prior to this she was the Audit Commission's Lead Housing Inspector for the North East and an Assistant Director of Housing at Oadby and Wigston Borough Council.

2.4 Mike Smith

Mike is a fully qualified accountant and worked in local government for 23 years during which he was a Finance Manager for Leeds City Council Housing Department. He has worked as a housing consultant for Chapman Hendy Associations/Tribal undertaking option appraisals for local authorities. He is currently Finance Director at Acclaim Group (formerly Derbyshire Dales Housing Association). Mike has a wealth of board experience and was on the Board of Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing for 3 years.

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. None directly from this report.

Legal

2. None directly from this report.

Personnel

3. None directly from this report.

Equalities impact

4. None directly from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. None directly from this report.