

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Cabinet
2026

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Appointments to the Shareholders Committee 2025/26

Relevant Portfolio Holder	Councillor K. J. May
Portfolio Holder Consulted	Yes
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Wards Affected	(All Wards);
Ward Councillor(s) consulted	N/A
Council Priority	Sustainability;
Non-Key Decision	
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1. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Cabinet RESOLVE that:-

- 1) An additional member of the Cabinet, to be identified at the Cabinet meeting, to be appointed to serve on the Shareholders Committee for the remainder of the 2025/26 municipal year.**

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1** This report invites Members to consider and approve an appointment to the Shareholders Committee for the remainder of the 2025/26 municipal year.

3. OPERATIONAL ISSUES

- 3.1** The Shareholders Committee is a key part of the governance structure for the Council company, Spadesbourne Homes Limited.
- 3.2** In line with national best practice, the Shareholders Committee has been established as a sub-committee of the Cabinet.
- 3.3** As a sub-Committee of the Cabinet, it is a responsibility of the Cabinet, rather than Council, to appoint Members to serve on the Shareholders Committee.

- 3.4 Members appointed to the Shareholders Committee are required to attend training in respect of their roles and responsibilities on this Committee if they have not previously attended training on this subject. Returning members of the committee are strongly encouraged to attend refresher training.
- 3.5 At a meeting of the Cabinet held on 18th June 2025, four members of Cabinet were appointed to serve on the Shareholders Committee for the 2025/26 municipal year. The terms of reference for the Committee were also updated at that meeting, to specify that there should be a total of four Councillors appointed to the Shareholders Committee and that the quorum for the Committee should three.
- 3.6 Since that meeting, changes have been made to the membership of the Cabinet and a vacancy has consequently arisen on the Shareholders Committee. As a result, there are currently only three Members appointed to the Shareholders Committee.
- 3.7 The last scheduled meeting of the Shareholders Committee was due to take place in November. However, one of the Members of the Committee needed to give apologies due to unforeseen circumstances which meant that the meeting could not go ahead on the scheduled date as it would not have been quorate.
- 3.8 To ensure that meetings can proceed smoothly for the rest of the 2025/26 municipal year, it is proposed that an additional Member of the Cabinet should be appointed to serve on the Shareholders Committee.
- 3.9 In line with the terms of reference for the Shareholders Committee, political group leaders are invited to attend meetings of the Committee to participate in the debate, although they cannot vote on matters unless they are also members of the Committee. This arrangement will continue should an additional member be appointed to serve on the Shareholders Committee for the remainder of the 2025/26 municipal year.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no specific financial implications arising from the proposals detailed in this report.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The Council is the only Shareholder in Spadesbourne Homes Limited.
- 5.2 The powers of the Council as Shareholder are vested in the Cabinet assisted by the Shareholders Committee.

6. OTHER – IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Reorganisation

- 6.1 There are no specific implications for Local Government Reorganisation or devolution.

Relevant Council Priority

- 6.2 This report supports the Council's priority of sustainability.
- 6.3 The appointment of an Member to the Shareholders Committee will help to ensure that meetings of the Committee can take place consistently during the year and address any matters reserved to the authority as shareholder.

Climate Change Implications

- 6.4 There are no climate change implications arising from this report.

Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 6.5 There are no equalities or diversity implications.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 7.1 There is a risk that, should there remain a vacant seat on the Shareholders Committee for the rest of the 2025/26 municipal year, it could be difficult to convene meetings of the Committee that are quorate.

8. APPENDICES and BACKGROUND PAPERS

'Appointments to the Shareholders Committee', report to the Cabinet meeting held on 18th June 2025: [Cabinet Agenda - 18th June 2025](#)