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**CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION  
OF A  
PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY**

**Company No. 7842678**

The Registrar of Companies for England and Wales, hereby certifies that

1-17 SPENCER HOUSE MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED

is this day incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 as a private company, that the company is limited by shares, and the situation of its registered office is in England and Wales

Given at Companies House, Cardiff, on 10th November 2011



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**Application to register a company**

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*Company Name  
in full:* **1-17 SPENCER HOUSE MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED**

*Company Type:* **Private limited by shares**

*Situation of Registered  
Office:* **England and Wales**

*Proposed Register  
Office Address:* **15 SPENCER HOUSE  
SPENCER ROAD  
SHEPTON MALLET  
SOMERSET  
ENGLAND  
BA4 4RT**

*I wish to adopt entirely bespoke articles*

*Company Director* 1

*Type:* **Person**  
*Full forename(s):* **MR SHAWN**

*Surname:* **THORNER**

*Former names:*

*Service Address:* **10 NEW ROCK  
CHILCOMPTON  
BATH  
AVON  
ENGLAND  
BA3 4JE**

*Country/State Usually Resident:* **UNITED KINGDOM**

*Date of Birth:* **06/01/1964**                      *Nationality:* **BRITISH**

*Occupation:* **BUILDER**

*Consented to Act:* **Y**                      *Date authorised:* **10/11/2011**                      *Authenticated:* **YES**

## Statement of Capital (Share Capital)

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<b>Class of shares</b>	<b>ORD</b>	<i>Number allotted</i>	<b>8</b>
		<i>Aggregate nominal value</i>	<b>8</b>
<i>Currency</i>	<b>GBP</b>	<i>Amount paid per share</i>	<b>1</b>
		<i>Amount unpaid per share</i>	<b>0</b>

### *Prescribed particulars*

'NO SHARE SHALL BE ALLOTTED OR TRANSFERRED TO ANY PERSON WHO IS NOT THE OWNER OF A DWELLING WITHIN THE PROPERTY AS DEFINED IN THE ARTICLES; RIGHT TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF, ATTEND AND VOTE AT GENERAL MEETINGS; ONE VOTE PER SHARE; THE SHARES ARE NOT A REDEEMABLE CLASS OF SHARES; THE COMPANY SHALL NOT AT ANY TIME DECLARE ANY DIVIDEND OR MAKE ANY BONUS ISSUE UPON ITS SHARES.'

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## Statement of Capital (Totals)

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<i>Currency</i>	<b>GBP</b>	<i>Total number of shares</i>	<b>8</b>
		<i>Total aggregate nominal value</i>	<b>8</b>

# Initial Shareholdings

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*Name:* B & R THORNER LIMITED

*Address:* NEW ROCK CHILCOMPTON  
BATH  
ENGLAND  
BA3 4JE

*Class of share:* ORD

*Number of shares:* 8

*Currency:* GBP

*Nominal value of  
each share:* 1

*Amount unpaid:* 0

*Amount paid:* 1

## Statement of Compliance

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*I confirm the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as to registration have been complied with.*

*Name:*                    **B & R THORNER LIMITED**

*Authenticated:*        **YES**

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### *Authorisation*

*Authoriser Designation:* **subscriber**

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**THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**

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**A COMPANY HAVING A SHARE CAPITAL**

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**MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION**

**of**

**1-17 SPENCER HOUSE MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED**

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Each subscriber to this Memorandum of Association wishes to form a company under the Companies Act 2006 and agrees to become a member of the Company and to take at least one share.

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Name of each subscriber

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Dated : 10/11/2011

B & R THORNER LIMITED

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**THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**

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**A PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES**

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**ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

of

**1-17 SPENCER HOUSE MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED**

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**PART 1**

**INTERPRETATION AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

**1. Defined terms**

(1) The regulations contained in the Model Articles for Private Companies Limited by Shares set out in Schedule 1 of The Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 3229/2008) shall not apply to the Company.

(2) In the Articles, unless the context requires otherwise:

“the 2006 Act” means the Companies Act 2006;

“Articles” means the Company’s Articles of Association;

“bankruptcy” includes individual insolvency proceedings in a jurisdiction other than England and Wales or Northern Ireland which have an effect similar to that of bankruptcy;

“chairman” has the meaning given in Article 13;

“chairman of the meeting” has the meaning given in Article 35;

“Companies Acts” means the Companies Acts (as defined in section 2 of the Companies Act 2006), in so far as they apply to the Company;

“Director” means a Director of the Company, and includes any person occupying the position of Director, by whatever name called;

“document” includes, unless otherwise specified, any document sent or supplied in electronic form;

“dwelling”	shall mean any residential or commercial unit comprised within the property;
“electronic form”	has the meaning given in section 1168 of the 2006 Act;
“fully paid”	in relation to a share, means that the nominal value and any premium to be paid to the Company in respect of that share have been paid to the Company;
“hard copy form”	has the meaning given in section 1168 of the 2006 Act;
“holder”	in relation to shares means the person whose name is entered in the register of members as the holder of the shares;
“instrument”	means a document in hard copy form;
“ordinary resolution”	has the meaning given in section 282 of the 2006 Act;
“Owner” the property, means any person or corporation who possesses or is entitled to acquire the	in reference to any of the dwellings comprised in the property, means any person or corporation who possesses or is entitled to acquire the freehold or leasehold interest in any dwelling, any successor in title to any such person or corporation and personal representatives of any such person;
“ownership”	in relation to a dwelling shall have a corresponding meaning;
“paid”	means paid or credited as paid;
“participate”	in relation to a Directors’ meeting, has the meaning given in Article 11;
“property”	shall mean such freehold or leasehold land and buildings known as 1-17 Spencer House (odd numbers only), Spencer Road, SHEPTON MALLETT, Somerset, BA4 4RT;

“proxy notice”	has the meaning given in Article 41;
“shareholder”	means a person who is the holder of a share;
“shares”	means shares in the Company;
“special resolution”	has the meaning given in section 283 of the 2006 Act;
“subsidiary”	has the meaning given in section 1159 of the 2006 Act;
“transmittee”	means a person entitled to a share by reason of the death or bankruptcy of a shareholder or otherwise by operation of law; and
“writing”	means the representation or reproduction of words, symbols or other information in a visible form by any method or combination of methods, whether sent or supplied in electronic form or otherwise.

- (3) Unless the context otherwise requires, other words or expressions contained in these Articles bear the same meaning as in the 2006 Act as in force on the date when these Articles become binding on the Company.

## **2. Liability of shareholders**

The liability of the shareholders is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid on the shares held by them.

## **3. Objects**

The Company’s objects (“the Objects”) are:

- (1) To acquire, hold, maintain, repair, manage and administer the freehold or leasehold land and buildings defined above as the Property and for the use of any adjoining or adjacent properties as may be authorised by the Company and capable of being served thereby and upon which said land certain areas are (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) landscaped and upon, under, through, in, or over such land or part thereof, are laid and placed sewers, drains, pipes, cables, wires, conduits, mains and other service and transmission media for the benefit and service of the property and each and every part thereof and also for the benefit of any adjoining or adjacent land and buildings as aforesaid and for all other purposes or matters incidental to or in connection therewith.
- (2) To undertake the control, management, and administration of the property, recreational facilities and all roads, landscaped areas, service and transmission media benefiting and serving the property and each and every part thereof and any other adjoining or adjacent land and buildings and to undertake the repair,

cleansing, renewal, replacement, landscaping, control, maintenance and upkeep of the said land and buildings and all service and transmission media and generally to manage the same and to collect rent, service and maintenance charges and income from the owners and occupiers of the properties constructed on the property or from any other owners, occupiers or other persons who enjoy the benefit of such services or facilities and in connection therewith to engage and employ such servants, agents, contractors, professional advisers, engineers, gardeners and other persons as the board of Directors may consider necessary in their absolute discretion to provide such services and to pay all rates, taxes and other outgoing costs expenses or otherwise in relation to the Property and all service and transmission media and to keep the same insured and to pay all premiums in respect thereof.

- (3) To carry on business which may seem capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with the above objects, or calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value of or render more profitable any of the Company's property.

## **PART 2 DIRECTORS**

### **DIRECTORS' POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **4. Directors' general authority**

Subject to the Articles, the Directors are responsible for the management of the Company's business, for which purpose they may exercise all the powers of the Company.

#### **5. Shareholders' reserve power**

- (1) The shareholders may, by special resolution, direct the Directors to take, or refrain from taking, specified action.
- (2) No such special resolution invalidates anything which the Directors have done before the passing of the resolution.

#### **6. Directors may delegate**

- (1) Subject to the Articles, the Directors may delegate any of the powers which are conferred on them under the Articles:
  - (a) to such person or committee;
  - (b) by such means (including by power of attorney);
  - (c) to such an extent;
  - (d) in relation to such matters or territories; and
  - (e) on such terms and conditions;

as they think fit.

- (2) If the Directors so specify, any such delegation may authorise further delegation of the Directors' powers by any person to whom they are delegated.
- (3) The Directors may revoke any delegation in whole or part, or alter its terms and conditions.

## **7. Committees**

Committees to which the Directors delegate any of their powers must follow procedures which are based as far as they are applicable on those provisions of the Articles which govern the taking of decisions by Directors. The Directors may make rules of procedure for all or any committees, which prevail over rules derived from the Articles if they are not consistent with them.

## **DECISION-MAKING BY DIRECTORS**

### **8. Directors to take decisions collectively**

- (1) The general rule about decision-making by Directors is that any decision of the Directors must be either a majority decision at a meeting or a decision taken in accordance with Article 9.
- (2) If:
  - (a) the Company only has one Director, and
  - (b) no provision of the Articles requires it to have more than one Director,

the general rule does not apply, and the Director may, subject to Articles 9(3) and 16 take decisions without regard to any other of the provisions of the Articles relating to Directors' decision-making.

### **9. Unanimous decisions**

- (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) Such a decision may take the form of a resolution in writing, copies of which have been signed by each eligible Director or to which each eligible Director has otherwise indicated agreement in writing.
- (3) References in this Article to eligible Directors are to Directors who would have been entitled to vote on the matter had it been proposed as a resolution at a Directors' meeting.
- (4) 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.

## **10. Calling a Directors' meeting**

- (1) Any Director may call a Directors' meeting by giving notice of the meeting to the Directors or by authorising the Company Secretary (if any) to give such notice.
- (2) Notice of any Directors' meeting must indicate:
  - (a) its proposed date and time;
  - (b) where it is to take place; and
  - (c) if it is anticipated that Directors participating in the meeting will not be in the same place, how it is proposed that they should communicate with each other during the meeting.
- (3) Notice of a Directors' meeting must be given to each Director, but need not be in writing.
- (4) Notice of a Directors' meeting need not be given to Directors who waive their entitlement to notice of that meeting, by giving notice to that effect to the Company not more than 7 days after the date on which the meeting is held. Where such notice is given after the meeting has been held, that does not affect the validity of the meeting, or of any business conducted at it.

## **11. Participation in Directors' meetings**

- (1) Subject to the Articles, Directors participate in a Directors' meeting, or part of a Directors' meeting, when:
  - (a) the meeting has been called and takes place in accordance with the Articles, and
  - (b) they can each communicate to the others any information or opinions they have on any particular item of the business of the meeting.
- (2) In determining whether Directors are participating in a Directors' meeting, it is irrelevant where any Director is or how they communicate with each other.
- (3) If all the Directors participating in a meeting are not in the same place, they may decide that the meeting is to be treated as taking place wherever any of them is.

## **12. Quorum for Directors' meetings**

- (1) At a Directors' meeting, unless a quorum is participating, no proposal is to be voted on, except a proposal to call another meeting.
- (2) Except where the provisions of Article 18 paragraph (2) are met, the quorum for Directors' meetings may be fixed from time to time by a decision of the Directors, but it must never be less than two, and unless otherwise fixed it is two.
- (3) If the total number of Directors 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.

**13. Chairing of Directors' meetings**

- (1) The Directors may appoint a Director to chair their meetings.
- (2) The person so appointed for the time being is known as the chairman.
- (3) The Directors may terminate the chairman's appointment at any time.
- (4) If the chairman is not participating in a Directors' meeting within ten minutes of the time at which it was to start, the participating Directors must appoint one of themselves to chair it.

**14. Casting vote**

The chairman or other Director chairing the meeting shall not, if the numbers of votes for and against a proposal are equal, have a second or casting vote.

**15. Conflicts of interest**

- (1) If a proposed decision of the Directors is concerned with an actual or proposed transaction or arrangement with the Company in which a Director is interested, that Director is not to be counted as participating in the decision-making process for quorum or voting purposes.
- (2) But if paragraph (3) applies, a Director who is interested in an actual or proposed transaction or arrangement with the Company is to be counted as participating in the decision-making process for quorum and voting purposes.
- (3) This paragraph applies when:
  - (a) the Company by ordinary resolution disapplies the provision of the Articles which would otherwise prevent a Director from being counted as participating in the decision-making process;
  - (b) the Director's interest cannot reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest; or
  - (c) the Director's conflict of interest arises from a permitted cause.
- (4) For the purposes of this Article, the following are permitted causes:
  - (a) a guarantee given, or to be given, by or to a Director in respect of an obligation incurred by or on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
  - (b) subscription, or an agreement to subscribe, for shares or other securities

of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or to underwrite, sub-underwrite, or guarantee subscription for any such shares or securities; and

- (c) arrangements pursuant to which benefits are made available to employees and Directors or former employees and Directors of the Company or any of its subsidiaries which do not provide special benefits for Directors or former Directors.
- (5) For the purposes of this Article, references to proposed decisions and decision-making processes include any Directors' meeting or part of a Directors' meeting.
- (6) Subject to paragraph (7), if a question arises at a meeting of Directors or of a committee of Directors as to the right of a Director to participate in the meeting (or part of the meeting) for voting or quorum purposes, the question may, before the conclusion of the meeting, be referred to the chairman whose ruling in relation to any Director other than the chairman is to be final and conclusive.
- (7) If any question as to the right to participate in the meeting (or part of the meeting) should arise in respect of the chairman, the question is to be decided by a decision of the Directors at that meeting, for which purpose the chairman is not to be counted as participating in the meeting (or that part of the meeting) for voting or quorum purposes.
- (8) Where the number of non-conflicted Directors is less than the quorum for the purposes of approving a resolution authorising any situation or transaction constituting a conflict as anticipated by the Companies Acts, the quorum shall be all the disinterested Directors.
- (9) When all the Directors of the Company are conflicted, the Company shall pass the conflict to the Company's shareholders for approval by ordinary resolution.

**16. Records of decisions to be kept**

The Directors must ensure that the Company keeps a record, in writing, for at least 10 years from the date of the decision recorded of every unanimous or majority decision taken by the Directors.

**17. Directors' discretion to make further rules**

Subject to the Articles, the Directors may make any rule which they think fit about how they take decisions, and about how such rules are to be recorded or communicated to Directors.

**NUMBER AND APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS**

**18. Methods of appointing Directors**

- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) below of this Article, unless and until otherwise determined by the Company in general meeting, there shall be no maximum number of Directors and the minimum number of Directors shall be



one.

- (2) In the event of the number of Directors being one, the sole Director shall have conferred upon him all powers under these Articles of association.
- (3) The shareholding qualification for a Director shall be the holding of at least one Ordinary share in the Company.
- (4) Every Director shall be a permanent Director of the Company. A Director shall, subject to these Articles and the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986, be entitled to hold office as long as he shall live unless he shall be removed from office by a resolution of the Company in general meeting.
- (5) In any case where, as a result of death, the Company has no shareholders and no Directors, the personal representatives of the last shareholder to have died have the right, by notice in writing, to appoint a person to be a Director.
- (6) For the purposes of paragraph (5), where 2 or more shareholders die in circumstances rendering it uncertain who was the last to die, a younger shareholder is deemed to have survived an older shareholder.

#### **19. Termination of Director's appointment**

- (1) A person ceases to be a Director as soon as:
  - (a) that person ceases to be a Director by virtue of any provision of the Companies Acts or is prohibited from being a Director by law;
  - (b) a bankruptcy order is made against that person;
  - (c) a composition is made with that person's creditors generally in satisfaction of that person's debts;
  - (d) a registered medical practitioner who is treating that person gives a written opinion to the Company stating that that person has become physically or mentally incapable of acting as a Director and may remain so for more than three months;
  - (e) by reason of that person's mental health, a court makes an order which wholly or partly prevents that person from personally exercising any powers or rights which that person would otherwise have;
  - (f) notification is received by the Company from the Director that the Director is resigning from office, and such resignation has taken effect in accordance with its terms;
  - (g) he shall for more than six consecutive months have been absent without permission of the Directors from meetings of Directors held during that period and the Directors resolve that his office be vacated;
  - (h) that person ceases to be an owner within the property and thus ineligible

to be a shareholder of the Company;

- (i) he shall be removed from office in accordance with the provisions of Article 18 (4) hereof.

**20. Directors' remuneration**

- (1) Directors may undertake any services for the Company that the Directors decide.
- (2) No Director or other officer, other than the auditor, shall receive remuneration in respect of their holding office. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing contained in this Article 20 shall prevent the payment to the Directors of services rendered to the Company in a professional capacity.

**21. Directors' expenses**

Notwithstanding Article 20 above, the Company may pay reasonable out-of-pocket expenses which the Directors properly incur in connection with their attendance at:

- (a) meetings of Directors or committees of Directors;
- (b) general meetings, or
- (c) separate meetings of the holders of any class of shares or of debentures of the Company, or otherwise in connection with the exercise of their powers and the discharge of their responsibilities in relation to the Company.

**PART 3  
SHARES AND DISTRIBUTIONS**

**SHARES**

**22. All shares to be fully paid up**

- (1) No share is to be issued for less than the aggregate of its nominal value and any premium to be paid to the Company in consideration for its issue.
- (2) This does not apply to shares taken on the formation of the Company by the subscribers to the Company's memorandum.

**23. Power to issue shares**

- (1) The subscribers to the Company's memorandum need not be Owners. A subscriber may transfer any shares subscribed by him to a person nominated by him in writing to succeed him as a member and any such person (other than a Owner) so nominated shall have the same power to transfer the share as if he had himself been a subscriber. Personal representatives of a deceased subscriber or of any successor so nominated by him shall have the same rights of transfer.

- (2) Subject to the foregoing, no share shall be allotted or transferred to any person who is not an Owner. An Owner shall not be entitled to dispose of his shareholding in the Company while holding, whether alone or jointly with others, a legal interest in any dwelling.

**24. Company not bound by less than absolute interests**

Except as required by law, no person is to be recognised by the Company as holding any share upon any trust, and except as otherwise required by law or the Articles, the Company is not in any way to be bound by or recognise any interest in a share other than the holder's absolute ownership of it and all the rights attaching to it.

**25. Share certificates**

- (1) The Company must issue each shareholder, free of charge, with one or more certificates in respect of the shares which that shareholder holds.
- (2) Every certificate must specify:
  - (a) in respect of how many shares, of what class, it is issued;
  - (b) the nominal value of those shares;
  - (c) that the shares are fully paid; and
  - (d) any distinguishing numbers assigned to them.
- (3) No certificate may be issued in respect of shares of more than one class.
- (4) If more than one person holds a share, only one certificate may be issued in respect of it.
- (5) Certificates must:
  - (a) have affixed to them the Company's common seal, or
  - (b) be otherwise executed in accordance with the Companies Acts.

**26. Replacement share certificates**

- (1) If a certificate issued in respect of a shareholder's shares is:
  - (a) damaged or defaced; or
  - (b) said to be lost, stolen or destroyed,that shareholder is entitled to be issued with a replacement certificate in respect of the same shares.
- (2) A shareholder exercising the right to be issued with such a replacement certificate:

- (a) may at the same time exercise the right to be issued with a single certificate or separate certificates;
- (b) must return the certificate which is to be replaced to the Company if it is damaged or defaced and
- (c) must comply with such conditions as to evidence, indemnity and the payment of a reasonable fee as the Directors decide.

## 27. Share transfers

- (1) Each subscriber to the Memorandum of Association and any person becoming a Member as a result of a nomination under Article 23 (1) shall, if not himself a Owner, offer his shareholding in the Company to the Company as soon as Owners for all the dwellings have become members.
- (2) If any shareholder of the Company who is an Owner parts with all interest in a dwelling held by him, or if his interest therein for any reason ceases and determines, he or, in the event of his death, his legal personal representative or representatives, or in the event of his bankruptcy, his trustee in bankruptcy, or in the case of a corporate member, the liquidator, receiver or administrator, shall transfer his shareholding in the Company to the person or persons who become the owner of his dwelling.
- (3) The price to be paid on the transfer of every share under this Article shall be its nominal value and no fee may be charged for registering any instrument of transfer or other document relating to or affecting the title to any share.
- (4) The Company may retain any instrument of transfer which is registered.
- (5) The transferor remains the holder of a share until the transferee's name is entered in the register of members as holder of it.
- (6) The Directors may refuse to register the transfer of a share, and if they do so, the instrument of transfer must be returned to the transferee with the notice of refusal unless they suspect that the proposed transfer may be fraudulent.
- (7) If the holder of any share having become bound under any provision of these Articles to transfer the same, refuses or neglects to transfer such share ("the defaulting shareholder"), the board of Directors may appoint one of their number or any other person (except the defaulting shareholder), to be the attorney of such the defaulting shareholder with full power on his behalf and in his name to execute, complete and deliver a transfer of his share to the person or persons to whom the same ought to be transferred; and the Company may give a good discharge for the purchase money and enter the name of the transferee of the said share in the Register of Members as the holder thereof.
- (8) The Directors shall refuse to register any transfer of shares made in contravention of all the foregoing provisions of these Articles, but otherwise shall have no

power to refuse to register a transfer.

**28. Transmission of shares**

- (1) If title to a share passes to a transmittee, the Company may only recognise the transmittee as having any title to that share.
- (2) A transmittee who produces such evidence of entitlement to shares as the Directors may properly require:
  - (a) may, subject to the Articles, choose either to become the holder of those shares or to have them transferred to another person, and
  - (b) subject to the Articles, and pending any transfer of the shares to another person, has the same rights as the holder had.
- (3) But transmittees do not have the right to attend or vote at a general meeting, or agree to a proposed written resolution, in respect of shares to which they are entitled, by reason of the holder's death or bankruptcy or otherwise, unless they become the holders of those shares.

**29. Exercise of transmittees' rights**

- (1) Transmittees who wish to become the holders of shares to which they have become entitled must notify the Company in writing of that wish.
- (2) If the transmittee wishes to have a share transferred to another person, the transmittee must execute an instrument of transfer in respect of it.
- (3) Any transfer made or executed under this Article is to be treated as if it were made or executed by the person from whom the transmittee has derived rights in respect of the share, and as if the event which gave rise to the transmission had not occurred.

**30. Transmittees bound by prior notices**

If a notice is given to a shareholder in respect of shares and a transmittee is entitled to those shares, the transmittee is bound by the notice if it was given to the shareholder before the transmittee's name has been entered in the register of members.

**DIVIDENDS AND OTHER DISTRIBUTIONS**

**31. Payment of dividends and other distributions**

The Company shall not at any time declare any dividend or make any bonus issue upon any of its shares and if in any year the Company shall not have expended all of its income the surplus shall be transferred to a reserve account to meet future contingencies of the Company.

**PART 4**  
**DECISION-MAKING BY SHAREHOLDERS**

**ORGANISATION OF GENERAL MEETINGS**

**32. Meeting to be held annually**

The Company shall in each year hold a general meeting to be known as the Annual General Meeting. There shall elapse no more than fifteen months between Annual General Meetings but so long as the first such meeting is held within eighteen months of the date of incorporation of the Company, there shall be no obligation for an annual General Meeting to be held in the year of its incorporation or in the following year. The business to be conducted at an Annual General Meeting, shall comprise the following:

- (a) the consideration of the annual accounts of the Company and Service Charge account or any other statement of the income and expenditure during the financial period covered by the annual accounts presented to the meeting;
- (b) the Service Charge Budget or other budget of income and expenditure for the 12 months following the date of the annual accounts as presented to the meeting; and
- (c) the re-appointment of Directors who retire by rotation.

**33. Attendance and speaking at general meetings**

- (1) A person is able to exercise the right to speak at a general meeting when that person is in a position to communicate to all those attending the meeting, during the meeting, any information or opinions which that person has on the business of the meeting.
- (2) A person is able to exercise the right to vote at a general meeting when:
  - (a) that person is able to vote, during the meeting, on resolutions put to the vote at the meeting, and
  - (b) that person's vote can be taken into account in determining whether or not such resolutions are passed at the same time as the votes of all the other persons attending the meeting.
- (3) The Directors may make whatever arrangements they consider appropriate to enable those attending a general meeting to exercise their rights to speak or vote at it.
- (4) In determining attendance at a general meeting, it is immaterial whether any two or more shareholders attending it are in the same place as each other.
- (5) Two or more persons who are not in the same place as each other attend a general meeting if their circumstances are such that if they have (or were to have)

rights to speak and vote at that meeting, they are (or would be) able to exercise them.

**34. Quorum for general meetings**

The quorum for a general meeting shall be determined according to section 318 of the 2006 Act and no business other than the appointment of the chairman of the meeting is to be transacted at a general meeting if the persons attending it do not constitute a quorum.

**35. Chairing general meetings**

- (1) If the Directors have appointed a chairman, the chairman shall chair general meetings if present and willing to do so.
- (2) If the Directors have not appointed a chairman, or if the chairman is unwilling to chair the meeting or is not present within ten minutes of the time at which a meeting was due to start:
  - (a) the Directors present, or
  - (b) (if no Directors are present), the meeting, must appoint a Director or shareholder to chair the meeting, and the appointment of the chairman of the meeting must be the first business of the meeting.
- (3) The person chairing a meeting in accordance with this Article is referred to as “the chairman of the meeting”.

**36. Attendance and speaking by Directors and non-shareholders**

- (1) Directors may attend and speak at general meetings, whether or not they are shareholders.
- (2) The chairman of the meeting may permit other persons who are not:
  - (a) shareholders of the Company, or
  - (b) otherwise entitled to exercise the rights of shareholders in relation to general meetings, to attend and speak at a general meeting.

**37. Adjournment**

- (1) If the persons attending a general meeting within half an hour of the time at which the meeting was due to start do not constitute a quorum, or if during a meeting a quorum ceases to be present, or if at any time during a quorate general meeting the meeting directs him to do so, the chairman of the meeting must adjourn it and he may adjourn a general meeting at which a quorum is present if:
  - (a) the meeting consents to an adjournment, or
  - (b) it appears to the chairman of the meeting that an adjournment is necessary to protect the safety of any person attending the meeting or ensure that

the business of the meeting is conducted in an orderly manner.

- (2) When adjourning a general meeting, the chairman of the meeting must:
  - (a) either specify the time and place to which it is adjourned or state that it is to continue at a time and place to be fixed by the Directors; and
  - (b) have regard to any directions as to the time and place of any adjournment which have been given by the meeting.
- (3) If the continuation of an adjourned meeting is to take place more than 14 days after it was adjourned, the Company must give at least 7 clear days' notice of it (that is, excluding the day of the adjourned meeting and the day on which the notice is given):
  - (a) to the same persons to whom notice of the Company's general meetings is required to be given, and
  - (b) containing the same information which such notice is required to contain.
- (4) No business may be transacted at an adjourned general meeting which could not properly have been transacted at the meeting if the adjournment had not taken place and if, at an adjourned general meeting, a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, the shareholders present shall be a quorum.

#### VOTING AT GENERAL MEETINGS

##### 38. Voting: general

- (1) A resolution put to the vote of a general meeting must be decided on a show of hands unless a poll is duly demanded and acted upon in accordance with these Articles and sections 321 and 322 of the 2006 Act.
- (2) Every member present in person or by proxy at a general meeting shall have one vote PROVIDED that where no Owner exists in respect of any dwelling, those members who are subscribers to the Memorandum of Association or who became members as a result of having been nominated under Article 23 (1) above or, if there is only one such Member or person nominated under Article 23 (1) above, that Member, shall, either jointly if there is more than one such Member, or alone, if there is only one such Member, have three votes in respect of every dwelling in addition to their own vote or votes as Members.
- (3) Where an Owner comprises joint owners of a dwelling, the Owner shall be entitled to one vote which shall, unless the joint owners agree otherwise, be exercised by the person whose name first appears in the register of members in respect of such joint holding.
- (4) Where an Owner owns more than one dwelling, the Owner shall on a poll vote, be entitled to one vote per dwelling owned.
- (5) No member holding an Ordinary share shall be entitled to vote at any general



meeting unless all moneys then payable by him to the Company have been paid

**39. Errors and disputes**

- (1) No objection may be raised to the qualification of any person voting at a general meeting except at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is tendered, and every vote not disallowed at the meeting is valid.
- (2) Any such objection must be referred to the chairman of the meeting, whose decision is final.

**40. Poll votes**

- (1) A poll on a resolution may be demanded:
  - (a) in advance of the general meeting where it is to be put to the vote, or
  - (b) at a general meeting, either before a show of hands on that resolution or immediately after the result of a show of hands on that resolution is declared.
- (2) A poll may be demanded by:
  - (a) the chairman of the meeting;
  - (b) the Directors;
  - (c) two or more persons having the right to vote on the resolution; or
  - (d) a person or persons representing not less than one tenth of the total voting rights of all the shareholders having the right to vote on the resolution.
- (3) A demand for a poll may be withdrawn if:
  - (a) the poll has not yet been taken, and
  - (b) the chairman of the meeting consents to the withdrawal.
- (4) Polls must be taken immediately and in such manner as the chairman of the meeting directs.

**41. Content of proxy notices**

- (1) Proxies may only validly be appointed by a notice in writing (a "proxy notice") which:
  - (a) states the name and address of the shareholder appointing the proxy;
  - (b) identifies the person appointed to be that shareholder's proxy and the general meeting in relation to which that person is appointed;

- (c) is signed by or on behalf of the shareholder appointing the proxy, or is authenticated in such manner as the Directors may determine; and
  - (d) is delivered to the Company in accordance with the Articles and any instructions contained in the notice of the general meeting to which they relate.
- (2) The Company may require proxy notices to be delivered in a particular form, and may specify different forms for different purposes.
  - (3) Proxy notices may specify how the proxy appointed under them is to vote (or that the proxy is to abstain from voting) on one or more resolutions.
  - (4) Unless a proxy notice indicates otherwise, it must be treated as:
    - (a) allowing the person appointed under it as a proxy discretion as to how to vote on any ancillary or procedural resolutions put to the meeting; and
    - (b) appointing that person as a proxy in relation to any adjournment of the general meeting to which it relates as well as the meeting itself.

#### **42. Delivery of proxy notices**

- (1) A person who is entitled to attend, speak or vote (either on a show of hands or on a poll) at a general meeting remains so entitled in respect of that meeting or any adjournment of it, even though a valid proxy notice has been delivered to the Company by or on behalf of that person.
- (2) An appointment under a proxy notice may be revoked by delivering to the Company a notice in writing given by or on behalf of the person by whom or on whose behalf the proxy notice was given.
- (3) A notice revoking a proxy appointment only takes effect if it is delivered before the start of the meeting or adjourned meeting to which it relates.
- (4) If a proxy notice is not executed by the person appointing the proxy, it must be accompanied by written evidence of the authority of the person who executed it to execute it on the appointor's behalf.

#### **43. Amendments to resolutions**

- (1) An ordinary resolution to be proposed at a general meeting may be amended by ordinary resolution if:
  - (a) notice of the proposed amendment is given to the Company in writing by a person entitled to vote at the general meeting at which it is to be proposed not less than 48 hours before the meeting is to take place (or such later time as the chairman of the meeting may determine), and
  - (b) the proposed amendment does not, in the reasonable opinion of the chairman of the meeting, materially alter the scope of the resolution.

- (2) A special resolution to be proposed at a general meeting may be amended by ordinary resolution, if:
  - (a) the chairman of the meeting proposes the amendment at the general meeting at which the resolution is to be proposed; and
  - (b) the amendment does not go beyond what is necessary to correct a grammatical or other non-substantive error in the resolution.
- (3) If the chairman of the meeting, acting in good faith, wrongly decides that an amendment to a resolution is out of order, the chairman's error does not invalidate the vote on that resolution.

## **PART 5**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

#### **44. Means of communication to be used**

- (1) Anything sent or supplied by or to the Company under the Articles may be sent or supplied in any way in which the 2006 Act provides for documents or information which are authorised or required by any provision of that Act to be sent or supplied by or to the Company.
- (2) Every notice convening a general meeting shall comply with the provisions of section 307 and 325 of the 2006 Act as to the length of notice required for the meeting and the giving of information to shareholders in regard to their right to appoint proxies; and notices of and other communications relating to any general meeting which any shareholder is entitled to receive shall be sent to the Directors and to the auditor for the time being of the Company.
- (3) Any notice or document to be sent or supplied to a Director in connection with the taking of decisions by Directors may also be sent or supplied by the means by which that Director has asked to be sent or supplied with such notices or documents for the time being.
- (4) A Director may agree with the Company that notices or documents sent to that Director in a particular way are to be deemed to have been received within a specified time of their being sent, and for the specified time to be less than 48 hours.

#### **45. Company seals**

- (1) Any common seal may only be used by the authority of the Directors.
- (2) The Directors may decide by what means and in what form any common seal is to be used.
- (3) Unless otherwise decided by the Directors, if the Company has a common seal and it is affixed to a document, the document must also be signed by at least one authorised person in the presence of a witness who attests the signature.
- (4) For the purposes of this Article, an authorised person is:

- (a) any Director of the Company;
- (b) the Company secretary (if any); or
- (c) any person authorised by the Directors for the purpose of signing documents to which the common seal is applied.

**46. No right to inspect accounts and other records**

Except as provided by law or authorised by the Directors or an ordinary resolution of the Company, no person is entitled to inspect any of the Company's accounting or other records or documents merely by virtue of being a shareholder.

**47. Provision for employees on cessation of business**

The Directors may decide to make provision for the benefit of persons employed or formerly employed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries (other than a Director or former Director or shadow Director) in connection with the cessation or transfer to any person of the whole or part of the undertaking of the Company or that subsidiary.

**48. Winding-Up**

If, upon the winding-up of the Company for any reason, there remains after the satisfaction of all the Company's debts and liabilities, surplus assets, those assets may be distributed to the holders of the shares appearing in the register at the date on which the Company went into liquidation, in the same proportion as the service charge contribution for which each holder is liable to the Company or by any other mechanism agreed by the board for the apportionment amongst the Owners of the Dwellings of the costs and expenses of the Company.

**DIRECTORS' INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE**

**49. Indemnity**

- (1) Subject to paragraph (2), a relevant Director of the Company or an associated company may be indemnified out of the Company's assets against:
  - (a) any liability incurred by that Director in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the Company or an associated company;
  - (b) any liability incurred by that Director in connection with the activities of the Company or an associated company in its capacity as a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined in section 235(6) of the 2006 Act);
  - (c) any other liability incurred by that Director as an officer of the Company or an associated company.

- (2) This Article does not authorise any indemnity which would be prohibited or rendered void by any provision of the Companies Acts or by any other provision of law.
- (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 Director” means any Director or former Director of the Company or an associated company.

## **50. Insurance**

- (1) The Directors may decide to purchase and maintain insurance, at the expense of the Company, for the benefit of any relevant Director in respect of any relevant loss.
- (2) In this Article:
  - (a) a “relevant Director” means any Director or former Director of the Company or an associated company;
  - (b) a “relevant loss” means any loss or liability which has been or may be incurred by a relevant Director in connection with that Director’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.