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# **FASTJET LIMITED**

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#### **Part 1: INTERPRETATION**

#### 1 INTERPRETATION

### 1.1 **Definitions**

In the Articles, the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings unless the context requires otherwise:

Act

the Companies Act 2006;

**Articles** 

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

**Business Day** 

any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in England when banks in London are generally open for business;

capitalised sum

has the meaning given to that term in Article

61.1.2;

chairperson

has the meaning given to that term in Article

13.2;

chairperson of the meeting

has the meaning given to that term in Article

30.3;

clear days

had the meaning given to that term in

section 360(2) of the Act;

company secretary

the company secretary (if any) and includes

any joint, assistant or deputy secretary;

Conflict

has the meaning given to that term in Article

15.1;

director

a director of the Company;

distribution recipient

in relation to a share in respect of which a dividend or other sum is payable:

- (a) the holder of the share; or
- (b) if the share has two or more joint holders, the senior holder; or
- (c) if the holder is no longer entitled to the share by reason of death or bankruptcy, or otherwise by operation of law, the transmittee;

electronic communication

any document or information sent or supplied in electronic form within the meaning of section 1168 of the Act;

**Eligible Director** 

a director who would be entitled to count in the quorum in respect of and vote on the matter at a meeting of directors in accordance with these Articles (but, for the avoidance of doubt, excluding any director whose vote is not to be counted in respect of a particular matter);

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;

group company

any subsidiary or any holding company from time to time of the Company or any subsidiary from time to time of a holding company of the Company;

holder

in relation to a share, means the person whose name is entered in the register of members as the holder of that share;

holding company

has the meaning given to that term in Article 1.11:

**Interested Director** 

has the meaning given to that term in Article 15.1;

ordinary resolution

has the meaning given to that term in section 282 of the Act and includes such a resolution passed by written resolution;

persons entitled

has the meaning given to that term in Article 61.1.2;

proxy notice

has the meaning given to that term in Article 39.1;

qualifying persons

has the meaning given to that term in section 318(3) of the Act;

relevant loss

has the meaning given to that term in Article 68.4.3;

relevant officer has the meaning given to that term in Article

68.4.2;

**senior holder** where a share has two or more joint holders,

the holder named first in the register of

members;

shareholder a person who is the holder of any share or

shares;

shares (of any class) in the capital of the

Company and share shall be construed

accordingly;

special resolution has the meaning given to that term in

section 283 of the Act and includes such a

resolution passed by written resolution;

**transmittee** a person entitled to a share by reason of the

death or bankruptcy of a shareholder or

otherwise by operation of law; and

writing 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.

1.2 Unless the context otherwise requires, other words or expressions contained in these Articles bear the same meaning as in the Act.

- 1.3 The Model Articles in Schedule One to The Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 and any Table A to the Companies Act 1985 or any former enactment do not apply to the Company.
- 1.4 Headings in these Articles are used for convenience only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of these Articles.
- 1.5 A reference in these Articles to an **Article** is a reference to the relevant numbered article of these Articles unless expressly provided otherwise.
- 1.6 Unless the context otherwise requires, words in the singular shall include the plural and the plural shall include the singular.
- 1.7 Unless expressly provided otherwise, a reference to a statute or statutory provision is a reference to it as amended, extended or re-enacted from time to time.

- 1.8 A reference to a statute or statutory provision shall include all subordinate legislation made as at the date on which these Articles become binding on the Company under that statute or statutory provision.
- 1.9 Any words following the terms **including**, **include**, **in particular**, **for example** or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words, description, definition, phrase or term preceding those terms.
- 1.10 Where the context permits, **other** and **otherwise** are illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words preceding them.
- 1.11 A reference to a **holding company** or a **subsidiary** means a holding company or a subsidiary (as the case may be) as defined in section 1159 of the Act and for the purposes only of the membership requirement contained in sections 1159(1)(b) and 1159(1)(c) of the Act, a company shall be treated as a member of another company even if its shares in that other company are registered in the name of:
  - 1.11.1 another person (or its nominee), by way of security or in connection with the taking of security; or
  - 1.11.2 its nominee.
- 1.12 A reference to a **document** or **notice** includes any document or notice sent or supplied by electronic communication, unless otherwise specified.

#### 2 LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS

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

#### Part 2: DIRECTORS

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

#### 3 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.

### 4 SHAREHOLDERS' RESERVE POWER

- 4.1 The shareholders may, by special resolution, direct the directors to take, or refrain from taking, specified action.
- 4.2 No such special resolution invalidates anything which the directors have done before the passing of the resolution.

#### 5 **DIRECTORS MAY DELEGATE**

- 5.1 Subject to the Articles, the directors may delegate any of the powers which are conferred on them under the Articles:
  - 5.1.1 to such person or committee;
  - 5.1.2 by such means (including by power of attorney);
  - 5.1.3 to such an extent;
  - 5.1.4 in relation to such matters or territories; and
  - 5.1.5 on such terms and conditions,

as they think fit.

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

#### 6 **COMMITTEES**

- 6.1 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.
- 6.2 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.
- 6.3 Where a provision of the Articles refers to the exercise of a power, authority or discretion by the directors and that power, authority or discretion has been delegated by the directors to a committee, the provisions shall be construed as permitting the exercise of the power, authority or discretion by the committee.

### **DECISION-MAKING BY DIRECTORS**

### 7 DIRECTORS TO TAKE DECISIONS COLLECTIVELY

- 7.1 Subject to Article 7.2, decisions of the directors must be taken:
  - 7.1.1 at a directors' meeting; or
  - 7.1.2 in the form of a directors' written resolution in accordance with Article 10.
- 7.2 If the Company only has one director for the time being, the director may (for so long as that person remains the sole director) exercise all of the powers conferred on the directors by the Articles by any means permitted under the Act.

### 8 CALLING MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS

- 8.1 Subject to the provisions of these Articles, the directors may meet together for the despatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit.
- 8.2 At any time any director may, and the company secretary (if any) on the requisition of a director shall, summon a meeting of the directors by giving notice of the meeting to the directors.
- 8.3 Notice of any directors' meeting must indicate:
  - 8.3.1 its proposed date and time;
  - 8.3.2 where it is to take place; and
  - 8.3.3 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.
- 8.4 Notice of a directors' meeting need not be in writing, but must be given to each director.
- 8.5 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 at any time prior to or 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.

#### 9 VOTING

Subject to the Articles:

- 9.1 a decision is taken at a directors' meeting by a majority of votes of the Eligible Directors participating in the meeting; and
- 9.2 each Eligible Director participating at a directors meeting has one vote.

#### 10 DIRECTORS' WRITTEN RESOLUTIONS

- 10.1 A resolution executed by the Eligible Directors, or by the members of a committee constituted under these Articles, shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the directors, or (as the case may be) at a meeting of that committee, which in every case was duly convened and held.
- 10.2 For the purposes of this Article 10:
  - 10.2.1 a resolution shall consist of one or more written instruments or one or more electronic communications sent to an address specified for the purpose by the company secretary (if any), or a combination of them, provided that each such written instrument and electronic communication (if more than one) is to the same effect;

- 10.2.2 a director indicates their agreement in writing to a proposed resolution when the Company receives from that person an authenticated document identifying the resolution to which it relates and indicating the director's agreement to the resolution in accordance with section 1146 of the Act;
- once a director has indicated their agreement in accordance with Article 10.2.2, it may not be revoked;
- 10.2.4 the directors, or (as the case may be) members of a committee constituted under these Articles, need not execute the same written instrument or electronic communication:
- 10.2.5 unless otherwise resolved by the directors or by ordinary resolution prior to adoption of a resolution, a resolution shall be adopted when a majority of the Eligible Directors have signed one or more copies of it or have otherwise indicated their agreement in writing to it; and
- 10.2.6 the chairperson shall, in the case of equality of votes of all the directors, have a second or casting vote, provided that such person is an Eligible Director in respect of such resolution.

#### 11 QUORUM FOR MEETINGS

- 11.1 At a directors' meeting, unless a quorum is participating, no proposal is to be voted on, except a proposal to call another meeting.
- 11.2 The quorum for directors' meetings may be fixed from time to time by a decision of the directors and, unless otherwise fixed, it is two Eligible Directors, provided that:
  - 11.2.1 if and for so long as there is only one director, the quorum shall be one; and
  - 11.2.2 for the purposes of any meeting (or part of a meeting) held pursuant to Article 15 to authorise a Conflict, if the Eligible Directors in office (for the avoidance of doubt, not including any Interested Director(s)) do not form a quorum meeting the criteria in Article 11.2, the quorum for such meeting (or part of a meeting) shall be one Eligible Director.
- 11.3 A meeting of the directors at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all powers and discretions for the time being exercisable by the directors.

#### 12 PARTICIPATION IN DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

- 12.1 Subject to the Articles, directors participate in a directors' meeting, or part of a directors' meeting, when:
  - 12.1.1 the meeting has been called and takes place in accordance with the Articles; and

- 12.1.2 each director can hear the others and can communicate to the others any information or opinions they have on any particular item of the business of the meeting.
- 12.2 In determining whether directors are participating in a directors' meeting, it is irrelevant where any director is or how they communicate with each other.
- 12.3 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.

#### 13 CHAIRING OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

- 13.1 The directors may appoint a director to chair their meetings.
- 13.2 The person so appointed for the time being is known as the "chairperson".
- 13.3 The directors may terminate the chairperson's appointment at any time.
- 13.4 If no chairperson has been appointed or the chairperson 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 the meeting.

#### 14 CASTING VOTE

If the number of votes for and against a proposal is equal, the chairperson or other director chairing the meeting has a casting vote, provided that person is an Eligible Director in respect of such proposal.

### 15 DIRECTORS' SITUATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- 15.1 The directors may, subject to the quorum and voting requirements set out in this Article 15, authorise any matter which would, if not authorised, involve a director (an "Interested Director") breaching their duty under section 175 of the Act to avoid a situation in which that person has, or can have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interests of the Company (a "Conflict").
- 15.2 An Interested Director seeking authorisation in respect of a Conflict must disclose to the other directors the nature and extent of the Interested Director's interest in the Conflict as soon as possible. The Interested Director must give the other directors sufficient details of the relevant matter to enable them to decide how to address the Conflict together with any additional information they may request.
- 15.3 Any authorisation under this Article 15 shall be considered in the same way that any other matter may be proposed to and resolved upon by the directors under the provisions of these Articles (or in such other manner as the directors may determine) except that:
  - the Interested Director and any other director with a similar interest shall not count in the quorum on any resolution to authorise the Conflict; and

- 15.3.2 the Conflict must be authorised by the directors without the Interested Director or any other director with a similar interest voting or, if the Interested Director or any other director with a similar interest did vote, the Conflict would have been authorised if such votes had not been counted.
- 15.4 Where the directors authorise a Conflict under this Article 15:
  - 15.4.1 such authorisation may extend to any actual or potential conflict of interest which may reasonably be expected to arise out of the matter or situation so authorised;
  - 15.4.2 the directors may impose terms (whether at the time of giving the authorisation or subsequently) upon the Interested Director which they think fit, including:
    - exclusion of the Interested Director from the receipt of documents and information and the participation in discussions (whether at meetings of the directors or otherwise) related to the Conflict;
    - (b) provision as to whether 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;
    - (c) imposition of a specific duty of confidentiality for any confidential information of the Company relating to the Conflict,

and may subsequently vary any such terms;

- 15.4.3 the directors may provide that, where the Interested Director obtains, or has obtained (through the Interested Director's involvement in the Conflict and otherwise than through their position as a director of the Company) information that is confidential to a third party, the Interested Director 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:
- 15.4.4 the Interested Director may absent themselves 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;
- the Interested Director must conduct themselves in accordance with any terms and conditions imposed by the directors in relation to the Conflict;
- the terms of the authority shall be recorded in writing (but the authority shall be effective whether or not the terms are so recorded); and
- 15.4.7 the directors may revoke or vary an authorisation given under this Article 13 at any time, but this will not affect anything done by the Interested Director,

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prior to such revocation or variation, in accordance with the terms of such authorisation.

- 15.5 Where the directors have considered a Conflict and have determined not to authorise it, or where there are no Eligible Directors in relation to a Conflict, the relevant Interested Director can seek authorisation from the shareholders, who can authorise the Conflict and may, pursuant to Article 4.1, require the directors to impose such conditions as they may direct in accordance with Article 15.4.
- 15.6 Where the Conflict arises because the Interested Director is also, or is about to become, a director, officer or employee of another group company, then that Conflict shall be deemed to have been authorised pursuant to section 175 of the Act and the provisions of Articles 15.4.3 to 15.4.7 (inclusive) apply to such Conflict.
- 15.7 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 such director derives from or in connection with a relationship involving a Conflict which has been authorised by the directors in accordance with these Articles or by the Company in general meeting (subject in each case to any terms and conditions attaching to that authorisation) and no contract shall be liable to be avoided on such grounds.

#### 16 TRANSACTIONS OR OTHER ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE COMPANY

- 16.1 Subject to sections 177(5) and 177(6) and sections 182(5) and 182(6) of the Act, a director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in an existing or proposed transaction or arrangement with the Company must declare the nature and extent of that interest in accordance with the requirements of the Act.
- 16.2 If a director has declared the nature and extent of their interest under Article 16.1, that director:
  - 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;
  - shall be an Eligible Director for the purposes of any proposed decision of the directors (or committee of the directors) in respect of such existing or proposed transaction or arrangement in which the director is interested;
  - 16.2.3 may act alone or through a company or firm in a professional capacity for the Company (otherwise than as auditor) and shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if that person was not a director;
  - 16.2.4 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

- shall not, save as otherwise agreed between such director and the Company, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which the director (or a person connected with them (as defined in section 252 of the Act)) derives from any such contract, transaction or arrangement or from any such office or employment or from any interest in any such body corporate and no such contract, 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 duty under section 176 of the Act.
- 16.3 The Company may by ordinary resolution ratify any transaction not duly authorised by reason of a contravention of this Article 16.

#### 17 INTERPRETATION OF CONFLICTS

References in Articles 15 or 16 to:

- 17.1.1 a contract, include references to an existing or proposed contract and to an existing or proposed transaction or arrangement whether or not it is a contract; and
- 17.1.2 a conflict of interest, includes a conflict of interest and duty and a conflict of duties.

### 18 MEANS OF DISCLOSURE

An interest of a director to be disclosed under Articles 15 or 16 may be declared at a meeting of directors, by notice in writing pursuant to section 184 of the Act or by means of a general notice under section 185 of the Act.

#### 19 CHAIRPERSON'S OR DIRECTORS' RULING

- 19.1 If, in relation to a director other than the chairperson of the meeting, a question arises at a board meeting about:
  - 19.1.1 whether a director has an interest in a contract; and
  - 19.1.2 whether it is likely to give rise to a conflict of interest; or
  - 19.1.3 whether that person can vote or be counted in the quorum,

and that person does not agree to abstain from voting on the question or not be counted in the quorum, the question must be referred to the chairperson of the meeting.

19.2 If a question arises at a board meeting as set out in Articles 19.1.1 to 19.1.3 (inclusive) in relation to the chairperson of the meeting, the question must be referred to the other directors. The chairperson cannot vote on the question but can be counted in the quorum.

19.3 Any ruling by the chairperson under Article 19.1, or resolution by the directors' under Article 19.2, is final unless the nature and extent of the interest (so far as it is known to relevant director or the chairperson (as applicable)) has not been fairly disclosed to the other directors.

#### 20 **CONNECTED PERSONS' INTERESTS**

For the purposes of Articles 15 and 16, an interest of a person who is connected with a director (within the meaning of section 252 of the Act) shall be treated as an interest of the director.

#### APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS

### 21 METHODS OF APPOINTING DIRECTORS

- 21.1 Any person who is willing to act as a director, and is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a director:
  - 21.1.1 by ordinary resolution;
  - 21.1.2 by a decision of the directors.
- 21.2 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.
- 21.3 For the purposes of Article 21.2, where two or more shareholders die in circumstances rendering it uncertain who was the last to die, the youngest shareholder is deemed to have survived an older shareholder(s).

### 22 TERMINATION OF DIRECTOR'S APPOINTMENT

A person ceases to be a director as soon as:

- 22.1 that person ceases to be a director by virtue of any provision of the Act or is prohibited from being a director by law;
- 22.2 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;
- 22.3 a bankruptcy order is made against that person;
- 22.4 a composition is made with that person's creditors generally in satisfaction of that person's debts;
- 22.5 a registered medical practitioner who is treating that person gives a written opinion to the Company stating that person has become physically or mentally incapable of acting as a director and may remain so for more than three months;

- that person shall, for more than six consecutive months, have been absent without 22.6 permission of the directors from meetings of directors held during that period and the directors resolve that person's office be vacated; or
- 22.7 a notice or notices in writing removing that person from office is/are delivered to the Company's registered office or company secretary (if any) from the holder or holders of more than 50% of the shares in the Company.

#### 23 **DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION**

- 23.1 Directors may undertake any services for the Company that the directors decide.
- 23.2 Directors are entitled to such remuneration as the directors determine:
  - 23.2.1 for their services to the Company as directors; and
  - 23.2.2 for any other service which they undertake for the Company.
- 23.3 Subject to the Articles, a director's remuneration may:
  - 23.3.1 take any form; and
  - 23.3.2 include any arrangements in connection with the payment of a pension, allowance or gratuity, or any death, sickness or disability benefits, to or in respect of that director.
- Unless the directors decide otherwise, directors' remuneration accrues from day to day. 23.4
- 23.5 Unless the directors decide otherwise, directors are not accountable to the Company for any remuneration which they receive as directors or other officers or employees of any other group company or of any other body corporate in which the Company is interested.

#### **EXPENSES OF DIRECTORS AND COMPANY SECRETARY** 24

- The Company may pay any reasonable expenses which the directors and the company 24.1 secretary (if any) properly incur in connection with their attendance at:
  - 24.1.1 meetings of directors or committees of directors;
  - 24.1.2 general meetings; or
  - separate meetings of the holders of any class of shares or of debentures of 24.1.3 the Company,
  - or otherwise in connection with the exercise of their powers and the discharge of their responsibilities in relation to the Company.
- Subject to the Act, the directors shall have the power to make arrangements for the 24.2 Company to fund a director's expenditure incurred or to be incurred by that director for the purposes of the Company or for the purpose of enabling that director to properly 13

perform their duties as an officer of the Company or enable that director to avoid incurring such expenditure.

#### PART 3: DECISION-MAKING BY SHAREHOLDERS

#### **ORGANISATION OF GENERAL MEETINGS**

#### 25 CALLING GENERAL MEETINGS

The directors may, whenever they think fit, convene a general meeting and, subject to the Act, must proceed to convene a general meeting in accordance with the Act following requisition by the shareholders.

### 26 **LENGTH OF NOTICE**

- 26.1 A general meeting of the Company (other than an adjourned meeting) shall be called by notice of at least 14 clear days.
- A general meeting of the Company may be called on short notice if the majority in number of those shareholders having a right to attend and vote at the meeting and holding at least 90% in nominal value of the shares having a right to attend and vote at the meeting agree to such short notice.

### 27 AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTIONS

- 27.1 An ordinary resolution to be proposed at a general meeting may be amended by ordinary resolution if:
  - 27.1.1 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 will be proposed not less than 48 hours before the meeting is to take place (or such later time as the chairperson of the meeting may determine); and
  - 27.1.2 the proposed amendment does not, in the reasonable opinion of the chairperson of the meeting, materially alter the scope of the resolution.
- 27.2 A special resolution to be proposed at a general meeting may be amended by ordinary resolution, if:
  - 27.2.1 the chairperson of the meeting proposes the amendment at the general meeting at which the resolution will be proposed; and
  - 27.2.2 the amendment does not go beyond what is necessary to correct a grammatical or other non-substantive error in the resolution.
- 27.3 If the chairperson of the meeting, acting in good faith, wrongly decides that an amendment to a resolution is out of order, the chairperson's error does not invalidate the vote on that resolution.

#### 28 ATTENDANCE AT GENERAL MEETINGS

- 28.1 A shareholder or person permitted to attend under Article 31 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.
- 28.2 A shareholder so participating is able to exercise the right to vote at a general meeting when:
  - 28.2.1 that person is able to vote, during the meeting, on resolutions put to the vote at the meeting; and
  - 28.2.2 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.
- 28.3 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.
- 28.4 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.
- 28.5 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.

### 29 QUORUM FOR GENERAL MEETINGS

- 29.1 No business other than the appointment of the chairperson of the meeting will be transacted at a general meeting if the persons attending it do not constitute a quorum.
- 29.2 If and for so long as the Company has only one shareholder, the quorum shall be one.
- 29.3 Where the Company has more than one shareholder entitled to attend and vote at a meeting, one qualifying person present at the meeting is a quorum, where such person is entitled to vote as:
  - 29.3.1 the duly authorised corporate representative of two or more corporations, each of which is a shareholder entitled to attend and vote on the business to be transacted at the meeting; or
  - 29.3.2 a proxy duly appointed by two or more shareholders entitled to attend and vote on the business to be transacted at the meeting.
- 29.4 Subject to the Act and Article 29.3, in all other cases two qualifying persons present at a meeting and entitled to vote are a quorum.

### 30 CHAIRING GENERAL MEETINGS

- 30.1 If the directors have appointed a chairperson, the chairperson shall chair general meetings if present and willing to do so.
- 30.2 If the directors have not appointed a chairperson, or if the chairperson is unwilling to chair the meeting or is not present within ten minutes of the time at which a meeting was due to start:
  - 30.2.1 the directors present; or
  - 30.2.2 (if no directors are present), the meeting,

must appoint a director or shareholder to chair the meeting, and the appointment of the chairperson of the meeting must be the first business of the meeting.

30.3 The person chairing a meeting in accordance with this Article 30 is referred to as "the chairperson of the meeting".

### 31 ATTENDANCE AND SPEAKING BY DIRECTORS AND NON-SHAREHOLDERS

- 31.1 Directors may attend and speak at general meetings, whether or not they are shareholders.
- 31.2 The chairperson of the meeting may permit other persons who are not:
  - 31.2.1 shareholders of the Company; or
  - 31.2.2 otherwise entitled to exercise the rights of shareholders in relation to general meetings,

to attend and speak at a general meeting.

#### 32 **ADJOURNMENT**

- 32.1 If a quorum is not present within 15 minutes of the time at which the meeting was due to start, or if during a meeting a quorum ceases to be present, the chairperson of the meeting must adjourn it.
- 32.2 The chairperson of the meeting may adjourn a general meeting:
  - 32.2.1 at which a quorum is present, if the meeting consents to an adjournment; or
  - 32.2.2 whether or not it has commenced or a quorum is present, if it appears to the chairperson 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.
- 32.3 The chairperson of the meeting must adjourn a general meeting if directed to do so by the meeting.

- 32.4 When adjourning a general meeting, the chairperson of the meeting must:
  - 32.4.1 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
  - have regard to any directions as to the time and place of any adjournment which have been given by the meeting.
- 32.5 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 seven clear days' notice of it:
  - 32.5.1 to the same persons to whom notice of the Company's general meetings is required to be given, and
  - 32.5.2 containing the same information which such notice is required to contain.
- 32.6 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.

### **VOTING AT GENERAL MEETINGS**

#### 33 **VOTING**

- 33.1 A resolution put to the vote of a general meeting must be decided on a show of hands unless a poll is duly demanded in accordance with the Articles.
- 33.2 Subject to any rights or restrictions attached to any shares in the Articles or otherwise, on a vote on a resolution on a show of hands at a meeting every shareholder present in person and entitled to vote on the resolution has one vote.
- 33.3 Subject to any rights or restrictions attached to any shares in the Articles or otherwise, on a vote on a resolution on a show of hands at a meeting every proxy present who has been duly appointed by a shareholder entitled to vote on the resolution has one vote, except where:
  - 33.3.1 more than one proxy has been duly appointed by the same shareholder, in which case, all the proxies appointed by that shareholder taken together have one vote; and/or

### 33.3.2 that person:

- (a) has been duly appointed as proxy by more than one shareholder entitled to vote on the resolution; and
- (b) has been instructed by one or more of those shareholders:
  - (i) to vote for the resolution and by one or more of those shareholders to vote against the resolution; or

(ii) to vote in the same way on the resolution (whether for or against) and one or more of those shareholders have given the proxy discretion as to how to vote on the resolution,

in which case, the proxy has one vote for and one vote against the resolution.

- 33.4 Subject to any rights or restrictions attached to any shares in the Articles or otherwise, on a vote on a resolution on a poll at a meeting, every shareholder present and entitled to vote on the resolution has one vote in respect of each share held by the relevant shareholder or shareholders.
- 33.5 In the case of joint holders of a share, only the vote of the senior holder who votes (and/or any proxies or corporate representatives duly authorised by the senior holder) may be counted by the Company.

### 34 NO CASTING VOTE

In the event of an equality of votes on a show of hands or a poll, the chairperson of the meeting shall not be entitled to a casting vote.

#### 35 ERRORS AND DISPUTES

- 35.1 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.
- 35.2 Any such objection must be referred to the chairperson of the meeting, whose decision is final.
- 35.3 The Company is not obliged to verify that a proxy or corporate representative of a shareholder has acted in accordance with the terms of their appointment and any failure to do so shall not affect the validity of any proceedings at a meeting of the Company.

### 36 CHAIRPERSON'S DECLARATION

Unless a poll is duly demanded, a declaration by the chairperson of the meeting that a vote on a resolution on a show of hands has or has not been passed or passed with a particular majority is conclusive evidence of that fact without proof of the number or proportion of votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution.

#### 37 **DEMANDING A POLL**

- 37.1 A poll on a resolution may be demanded:
  - 37.1.1 in advance of the general meeting where it will be put to the vote; or
  - 37.1.2 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.

- 37.2 Subject to the Act, a poll may be demanded by:
  - 37.2.1 the chairperson of the meeting;
  - 37.2.2 the directors;
  - 37.2.3 two or more persons having the right to vote on the resolution; or
  - 37.2.4 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.
- 37.3 A demand for a poll may be withdrawn if:
  - 37.3.1 the poll has not yet been taken; and
  - 37.3.2 the chairperson of the meeting consents to the withdrawal,

and any demand withdrawn shall not be taken to have invalidated the result of a show of hands declared before the demand was made.

### 38 PROCEDURE FOR POLL VOTING

- 38.1 Subject to Article 38.2, polls must be taken when, where and in such manner as the chairperson of the meeting directs.
- 38.2 A poll on:
  - 38.2.1 the election of the chairperson of the meeting; or
  - 38.2.2 a question of adjournment,

must be taken immediately.

### 39 CONTENT AND DELIVERY OF PROXY NOTICES

- 39.1 Proxies may only validly be appointed by a notice in writing (a "proxy notice") which:
  - 39.1.1 states the name and address of the shareholder appointing the proxy;
  - 39.1.2 identifies the person appointed to be that shareholder's proxy and the general meeting in relation to which that person is appointed;
  - 39.1.3 is signed by or on behalf of the shareholder appointing the proxy, or is authenticated in such manner as the directors may determine; and
  - 39.1.4 is delivered to the Company in accordance with the Articles and any instructions contained in the notice of the general meeting or adjourned meeting to which they relate.
- 39.2 The Company may require proxy notices to be delivered in a particular form and, subject to the Act, by a particular time and may specify different forms for different purposes.

- 39.3 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.
- 39.4 Unless a proxy notice indicates otherwise, it must be treated as:
  - 39.4.1 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
  - 39.4.2 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.
- 39.5 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.
- 39.6 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.

#### 40 REVOCATION OF PROXY NOTICES

- 40.1 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.
- 40.2 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.

#### 41 CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES

- 41.1 In accordance with the Act, a corporation which is a shareholder of the Company may, by resolution of its directors or other governing body, authorise a person or persons to act as its representative or representatives at any meeting of the Company.
- 41.2 A director, the company secretary (if any) or another person authorised for the purpose by the directors or company secretary (if any) may require a corporate representative to produce a certified copy of the resolution of authorisation or such other evidence of authorisation as the directors may determine before permitting the corporate representative to exercise their powers.

### 42 WRITTEN RESOLUTIONS

- 42.1 A resolution of the shareholders, or of a class of shareholders, of the Company may be passed as a written resolution in accordance with the Act.
- 42.2 On a written resolution, each shareholder has the same number of votes as that person would have on a poll.

### **SHARES**

### 43 SHARE CAPITAL

- 43.1 The Company's shares are ordinary shares of £1.00 each and are unlimited in number. In addition the Company also has in issue deferred shares of £0.0099 each, deferred shares of £0.01 each and deferred shares of £0.09 each (together, the "deferred shares").
- 43.2 Unless the shareholders have by ordinary or special resolution otherwise resolved (whether before, on or after the date of adoption of these Articles), all powers of the Company to grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into shares are excluded, save that the directors may grant options or rights (and allot shares on exercise of such options or rights) under an employees' share scheme.
- 43.3 Unless the shareholders have either in respect of any particular offer of shares or generally by special resolution otherwise resolved (whether before, on or after the date of adoption of these Articles), the directors may exercise the Company's power to allot shares (whether for cash or otherwise) provided that they are first offered to the existing holders in proportion to their existing holdings in such manner as the directors may determine.
- 43.4 The deferred shares shall have, and be subject to the following rights and restrictions:
  - 43.4.1 save as provided in this Article 43.4, they shall not entitle the holders to receive or participate in the profits or assets of the Company;
  - they shall not entitle the holders to receive notice of or attend or vote at any general meeting of the Company;
  - 43.4.3 on return of capital on winding up or otherwise, the holders of deferred shares shall only be entitled to repayment of the nominal amount paid up or credited as paid up on the deferred shares after the holder of each ordinary share shall have received the nominal amount of that ordinary share and a payment of £10,000,000 per ordinary share;
  - 43.4.4 they shall not be deemed to be varied or abrogated by the creation or issue of any new shares ranking in priority to or pari passu with or subsequent to such shares:
  - 43.4.5 save as provided in this Article 43.4, the deferred shares shall be incapable of transfer;
  - 43.4.6 notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Company shall have the power and authority at any time to purchase all or any of the deferred shares for an aggregate consideration of £1 and any director is pursuant to these articles appointed as the attorney of each holder of deferred shares to execute a transfer or transfers in respect thereof;

- 43.4.7 the Company shall, subject to the provision of the Act be entitled to cancel the deferred shares without paying any consideration to the holders of such shares;
- 43.4.8 on a reduction of capital the Company shall have the right to cancel the deferred shares for nil consideration; and
- 43.4.9 the Company shall not be obliged to issue a certificate in respect of a deferred share and any transfers of deferred shares shall be certified against the register of members; Articles 47 and 48 shall not apply to the deferred shares.

#### 44 ALL SHARES TO BE FULLY PAID UP

- 44.1 Unless the Company otherwise resolves by ordinary resolution, no share will 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.
- 44.2 This does not apply to shares taken on the formation of the Company by the subscribers to the Company's memorandum.

#### 45 POWERS TO ISSUE DIFFERENT CLASSES OF SHARE

- 45.1 Subject to the Articles and the Act, but without prejudice to the rights attached to any existing share, the Company may issue shares with such rights or restrictions as may be determined by ordinary resolution.
- 45.2 Subject to the Act, the Company may issue shares which are to be redeemed, or are liable to be redeemed at the option of the Company or the holder, and the directors may determine the terms, conditions and manner of redemption of any such shares.
- 45.3 If the rights and restrictions attaching to shares are determined by ordinary resolution pursuant to Article 45.1 or by the directors pursuant to Article 45.2, those rights and restrictions shall apply as if such rights and restrictions were set out in the Articles.

### 46 COMPANY NOT BOUND BY LESS THAN ABSOLUTE INTERESTS

Except as required by law, no person will 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.

#### 47 SHARE CERTIFICATES

- 47.1 The Company must issue each shareholder, free of charge, with one or more certificates in respect of the shares which that shareholder holds.
- 47.2 Every certificate must specify:
  - 47.2.1 in respect of how many shares, of what class, it is issued;

- 47.2.2 the nominal value of those shares;
- 47.2.3 the amount paid up on them; and
- 47.2.4 any distinguishing numbers assigned to them.
- 47.3 No one certificate may be issued in respect of shares of more than one class.
- 47.4 If more than one person holds a share, only one certificate may be issued in respect of it and delivery of a certificate to the senior holder constitutes delivery to all of them.
- 47.5 Certificates must:
  - 47.5.1 have affixed to them the Company's common seal; or
  - 47.5.2 be otherwise executed in accordance with the Act.

### 48 REPLACEMENT SHARE CERTIFICATES

- 48.1 If a certificate issued in respect of a shareholder's shares is:
  - 48.1.1 damaged or defaced; or
  - 48.1.2 said to be lost, stolen or destroyed,

that shareholder is, subject to having first complied with the obligations in Articles 48.2.2 and 48.2.3, entitled to be issued with a replacement certificate in respect of the same shares.

- 48.2 A shareholder exercising the right to be issued with such a replacement certificate:
  - 48.2.1 may at the same time exercise the right to be issued with a single certificate or separate certificates;
  - 48.2.2 must return the certificate which is to be replaced to the Company if it is damaged or defaced; and
  - 48.2.3 must comply with such conditions as to evidence, indemnity and the payment of a reasonable fee as the directors decide.

#### **SHARE TRANSFERS**

### 49 SHARE TRANSFERS

- 49.1 Shares may be transferred by means of an instrument of transfer in any usual form or any other form approved by the directors, which is executed by or on behalf of the transferor.
- 49.2 No fee may be charged for registering any instrument of transfer or other document relating to or affecting the title to any share.
- 49.3 The Company may retain any instrument of transfer which is registered.

- 49.4 The transferor remains the holder of a share until the transferee's name is entered in the register of members as holder of it.
- 49.5 The directors may refuse to register the transfer of a share, and if they do so, they shall, within two months after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the Company, send the transferee notice of refusal together with their reasons for refusal and, unless they suspect that the proposed transfer may be fraudulent, the instrument of transfer.

### **TRANSMISSION OF SHARES**

- 50.1 If title to a share passes to a transmittee, the Company may only recognise the transmittee as having any title to that share.
- 50.2 A transmittee who produces such evidence of entitlement to shares as the directors may properly require:
  - 50.2.1 may, subject to the Articles, choose either to become the holder of those shares or to have them transferred to another person; and
  - 50.2.2 subject to the Articles, and pending any transfer of the shares to another person, has the same rights as the holder from whom the transmittee derived such entitlement had.
- 50.3 Notwithstanding Article 50.2, 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 event which gave rise to the transmission unless they become the holders of those shares.

#### 51 **EXERCISE OF TRANSMITTEES' RIGHTS**

- 51.1 Transmittees who wish to become the holders of shares to which they have become entitled must notify the Company in writing of that wish.
- 51.2 If the transmittee wishes to have a share transferred to another person, the transmittee must execute an instrument of transfer in respect of it.
- 51.3 Any transfer made or executed under this Article 51 will 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.

### 52 TRANSMITTEES BOUND BY PRIOR NOTICES

If a notice is given to a shareholder in respect of shares and a transmittee (or any person nominated by the transmittee under Article 50.2) is entitled to those shares, the transmittee (and any person nominated by the transmittee under Article 50.2) is bound by the notice if it was given to the shareholder before the transmittee's name (or the name of any person nominated by the transmittee under Article 50.2) has been entered in the register of members.

#### **DIVIDENDS AND OTHER DISTRIBUTIONS**

#### 53 PROCEDURE FOR DECLARING DIVIDENDS

- 53.1 Subject to the Act, the Company may by ordinary resolution declare dividends, and the directors may declare and pay interim dividends.
- 53.2 A dividend must not be declared unless the directors have made a recommendation as to its amount. Such dividend must not exceed the amount recommended by the directors.
- 53.3 No dividend may be declared or paid unless it is in accordance with shareholders' respective rights.
- 53.4 Unless an ordinary resolution to declare or directors' decision to declare and pay a dividend specifies otherwise, or the terms on which shares are issued specify otherwise, it must be paid by reference to each shareholder's holding of shares in the class in respect of which the dividend is paid on the date of the resolution or decision to declare or pay it.
- 53.5 If the Company's share capital is divided into different classes, no dividend may be paid on shares carrying deferred or non-preferred rights if, at the time of payment, any preferential dividend is in arrears.
- 53.6 The directors may pay at intervals any dividend payable at a fixed rate if it appears to them that the profits available for distribution justify the payment.
- 53.7 If the directors act in good faith, they do not incur any liability to the holders of shares conferring preferred rights for any loss they may suffer by the lawful payment of an interim dividend on shares with deferred or non-preferred rights.

### 54 CALCULATION OF DIVIDENDS

- 54.1 Except as otherwise provided by the Articles or the rights attached to shares, all dividends must be:
  - 54.1.1 declared and paid according to the amounts paid up on the shares on which the dividend is paid; and
  - 54.1.2 apportioned and paid proportionately to the amounts paid up on the shares during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which the dividend is paid.
- 54.2 If any share is issued on terms providing that it ranks for dividend as from a particular date, that share ranks for dividend accordingly.

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### 55 PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS AND OTHER DISTRIBUTIONS

Where a dividend or other sum which is a distribution is payable in respect of a share, it must be paid or settled by one or more of the following means:

- transfer to a bank or building society account specified by the distribution recipient either in writing or as the directors may otherwise decide;
- 55.1.2 sending a cheque made payable to the distribution recipient by post to the distribution recipient at the distribution recipient's registered address (if the distribution recipient is a holder of the share), or (in any other case) to an address specified by the distribution recipient either in writing or as the directors may otherwise decide;
- 55.1.3 sending a cheque made payable to such person by post to such person at such address as the distribution recipient has specified either in writing or as the directors may otherwise decide; or
- any other means of payment or settlement as the directors agree with the distribution recipient either in writing or by such other means as the directors decide.

### 56 NO INTEREST ON DISTRIBUTIONS

The Company may not pay interest on any dividend or other sum payable in respect of a share unless otherwise provided by:

- 56.1.1 the terms on which the share was issued; or
- the provisions of another agreement between the holder of that share and the Company.

### 57 UNCLAIMED DISTRIBUTIONS

- 57.1 All dividends or other sums which are:
  - 57.1.1 payable in respect of shares; and
  - 57.1.2 unclaimed after having been declared or become payable,

may be invested or otherwise made use of by the directors for the benefit of the Company until claimed.

- 57.2 The payment of any such dividend or other sum into a separate account does not make the Company a trustee in respect of it.
- 57.3 If:
  - 57.3.1 12 years have passed from the date on which a dividend or other sum became due for payment; and
  - 57.3.2 the distribution recipient has not claimed it,

the distribution recipient is no longer entitled to that dividend or other sum and it ceases to remain owing by the Company.

#### 58 NON-CASH DISTRIBUTIONS

- 58.1 Subject to the terms of issue of the share in question, the Company may, by ordinary resolution on the recommendation of the directors, decide to pay all or part of a dividend or other distribution payable in respect of a share by transferring non-cash assets of equivalent value (including, without limitation, shares or other securities in any company).
- 58.2 For the purposes of paying a non-cash distribution, the directors may make whatever arrangements they think fit, including, where any difficulty arises regarding the distribution:
  - 58.2.1 fixing the value of any assets;
  - 58.2.2 paying cash to any distribution recipient on the basis of that value in order to adjust the rights of recipients; and
  - 58.2.3 vesting any assets in trustees.

#### 59 WAIVER OF DISTRIBUTIONS

- 59.1 Distribution recipients may waive their entitlement to a dividend or other distribution payable in respect of a share by giving the Company notice in writing to that effect, but if:
  - 59.1.1 the share has more than one holder; or
  - 59.1.2 more than one person is entitled to the share, whether by reason of the death or bankruptcy of one or more joint holders, or otherwise,

the notice is not effective unless it is expressed to be given, and signed, by all the holders or persons otherwise entitled to the share.

### **PURCHASE OF OWN SHARES**

### 60 PURCHASE OF OWN SHARES OUT OF CAPITAL

The Company may purchase its own shares, in accordance with section 692(1ZA) of the Act, up to an aggregate purchase price in a financial year not exceeding the lower of:

- 60.1.1 £15,000; or
- the nominal value of 5% of its fully paid share capital as at the beginning of that financial year.

### **CAPITALISATION OF PROFITS**

### 61 AUTHORITY TO CAPITALISE AND APPROPRIATION OF CAPITALISED SUMS

- 61.1 Subject to the Articles, the directors may, if they are so authorised by an ordinary resolution:
  - decide to capitalise any profits of the Company (whether or not they are available for distribution) which are not required for paying a preferential dividend, or any sum standing to the credit of the Company's reserves (including the share premium account and capital redemption reserve); and
  - 61.1.2 appropriate any sum which they so decide to capitalise (a "capitalised sum") to the persons who would have been entitled to it if it were distributed by way of dividend (the "persons entitled") and in the same proportions.
- 61.2 Capitalised sums must be applied:
  - 61.2.1 on behalf of the persons entitled; and
  - 61.2.2 in the same proportions as a dividend would have been distributed to them.
- 61.3 Any capitalised sum may be applied in paying up new shares of a nominal amount equal to the capitalised sum which are then allotted credited as fully paid to the persons entitled or as they may direct.
- 61.4 A capitalised sum which was appropriated from profits available for distribution may be applied in paying up new debentures of the Company which are then allotted credited as fully paid to the persons entitled or as they may direct.
- 61.5 Subject to the Articles, the directors may:
  - apply capitalised sums in accordance with Articles 61.3 and 61.4 partly in one way and partly in another;
  - 61.5.2 make such arrangements as they think fit to deal with shares or debentures becoming distributable in fractions under this Article 61 (including the issuing of fractional certificates or the making of cash payments);
  - 61.5.3 authorise any person to enter into an agreement with the Company on behalf of all the persons entitled which is binding on them in respect of the allotment of shares and debentures to them under this Article 61; and
  - 61.5.4 generally do all things required to give effect to a resolution passed in accordance with Article 61.1.

### **PART 5: ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

#### 62 MEANS OF COMMUNICATION TO BE USED

- 62.1 Subject to the Articles, anything sent or supplied by or to the Company under the Articles may be sent or supplied in any way in which 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.
- 62.2 Subject to the Articles, 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.
- 62.3 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.
- 62.4 Any notice, document or other information shall be deemed served on or delivered to the intended recipient:
  - 62.4.1 if properly addressed and sent by prepaid United Kingdom first class post to an address in the United Kingdom, on the second Business Day after it was posted;
  - 62.4.2 if properly addressed and sent by prepaid airmail either to an address outside the United Kingdom or from outside the United Kingdom to an address within the United Kingdom, on the fifth Business Day after it was posted;
  - 62.4.3 if properly addressed and sent by a reputable overnight courier either to an address outside the United Kingdom or from outside the United Kingdom to an address within the United Kingdom, on signature of a delivery receipt or at the time the notice, document or other information is left at the appropriate address:
  - 62.4.4 if properly addressed and delivered by hand, when it was given or left at the appropriate address;
  - 62.4.5 if properly addressed and sent or supplied by electronic means, one hour after the document or information was sent or supplied; and
  - 62.4.6 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.
- 62.5 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.

62.6 In the case of joint holders of a share, a notice, document or information shall be validly sent to or supplied to all joint holders if send or supplied to the senior holder. Anything to be agreed or specified in relation to a notice, document or information to be sent or supplied to joint holders, may be agreed or specified by the senior holder in respect of the joint holding.

#### 63 **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Subject to the Act, the directors may appoint a company secretary (or two or more persons as joint secretary) for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as the directors may think fit and any company secretary (or joint secretary) so appointed may be removed by the directors. The directors may also from time to time appoint on such terms as they think fit, and remove, one or more assistant or deputy secretaries.

### 64 COMPANY SEALS

- 64.1 Any common seal may only be used by the authority of the directors.
- 64.2 The directors may decide by what means and in what form any common seal will be used.
- 64.3 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.
- 64.4 For the purposes of this Article 64, an authorised person is:
  - 64.4.1 any director of the Company;
  - 64.4.2 the company secretary (if any); or
  - any person authorised by the directors for the purpose of signing documents to which the common seal is applied.

### 65 RECORDS OF DECISIONS TO BE KEPT

The directors must ensure that the Company keeps a record, in writing, of:

- of every decision taken by the directors, including by written resolution, and any committee of the directors; and
- of all proceedings of general meetings of the Company and of the holders of any class of shares in the Company, including all resolutions of shareholders passed otherwise than at general meetings and details provided to the Company of decisions taken by a sole shareholder,

in each case, for at least 10 years from the date of the decision, meeting, resolution or appointment.

#### 66 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.

### 67 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.

### 68 **INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE**

- 68.1 Subject to Article 68.2, but without prejudice to any indemnity to which a relevant officer of the Company or an associated company (as applicable) is otherwise entitled a relevant officer of the Company or an associated company may be indemnified out of the Company's assets against:
  - 68.1.1 any liability incurred by that relevant officer in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the Company or an associated company;
  - any liability incurred by that relevant officer in connection with the activities of the Company or an associated company in that person's capacity as a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined in section 235(6) of the Act); and
  - 68.1.3 any other liability incurred by that relevant officer as an officer of the Company or an associated company.
- This Article 68 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.
- 68.3 To the extent permitted by the Act, 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.

### 68.4 In this Article 68:

- 68.4.1 companies are associated if one is a subsidiary of the other or both are subsidiaries of the same body corporate;
- a "relevant officer" means any director, company secretary or other officer or former director, company secretary or other officer of the Company, but excluding any person engaged by the Company as auditor (whether or not that person is also a director or other officer), to the extent that person acts in their capacity as auditor; and

a "**relevant loss**" means any loss or liability which has been or may be incurred by a relevant officer in connection with that person'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.