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# CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF A PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY

Company No. 06897551

The Registrar of Companies for England and Wales hereby certifies that GREENE KING DEBT ACQUISITIONS LIMITED

is this day incorporated under the Companies Act 1985 as a private company and that the company is limited.

Given at Companies House on 6th May 2009



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Electronic statement of compliance with requirements on application for registration of a company pursuant to section 12(3A) of the Companies Act 1985

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Company name

**GREENE KING DEBT ACQUISITIONS LIMITED** 

I, LINDSAY ANNE KESWICK

of ORCHARD HOUSE RICHER ROAD
BADWELL ASH
BURY ST EDMONDS
SUFFOLK
ENGLAND
IP31 3DQ

a person named as a secretary of the company in the statement delivered to the registrar of companies under section 10(2) of the Companies Act 1985

make the following statement of compliance in pursuance of section 12(3A) of the Companies Act 1985

Statement: I hereby state that all the

I hereby state that all the requirements of the Companies Act 1985 in respect of the registration of the above company and of matters precedent and incidental to it have been complied with.

### Confirmation of electronic delivery of information

This statement of compliance was delivered to the registrar of companies electronically and authenticated in accordance with the registrar's direction under section 707B of the Companies Act 1985.

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## First directors and secretary and intended situation of registered office



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Company Name

**GREENE KING DEBT ACQUISITIONS LIMITED** 

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Proposed Registered

WESTGATE BREWERY Office: **BURY ST EDMONDS** 

> **SUFFOLK ENGLAND IP33 1QT**

memorandum delivered by an agent for the subscriber(s): No

# Company Secretary

Name LINDSAY ANNE KESWICK

Address: ORCHARD HOUSE RICHER ROAD

**BADWELL ASH** 

**BURY ST EDMONDS** 

**SUFFOLK ENGLAND IP31 3DQ** 

Consented to Act: Y Date authorised 06/05/2009 Authenticated: YES

## Director 1:

Name IAN ALAN BULL

Address: 16 WYKEHAM GATE

**HADDENHAM** 

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE UNITED KINGDOM

**HP17 8DF** 

Nationality: BRITISH

Business occupation: COMPANY DIRECTOR

Date of birth: 18/01/1961

Consented to Act: Y Date Authorised: 06/05/2009 Authenticated: YES

### Authorisation

Authoriser Designation: subscriber Date Authorised: 06/05/2009 Authenticated: Yes

#### The Companies Act 1985

#### Company Limited by Shares

#### Memorandum of Association

of

#### **Greene King Debt Acquisitions Limited**

- 1 The Company's name is "Greene King Debt Acquisitions Limited".
- 2 The Company's registered office is to be situate in England and Wales.
- 3 The Company's objects are:
  - 3.1 To carry on all or any of the businesses of manufacturers, importers, exporters, wholesalers, retailers, buyers, sellers, distributors and shippers of, and dealers in any products, goods, wares, merchandise and produce of any kind, general merchants and traders, cash, discount, mail order and credit traders, manufacturers' agents and representatives, insurance consultants and brokers, estate agents, mortgage brokers, financial agents, consultants, managers and administrators, hire purchase and general financiers; to participate in, undertake, perform and carry on all types of commercial, industrial, trading and financial operations and enterprises and all kinds of agency business; to carry on all or any of the businesses of marketing, business and management consultants, advertising agents, printers and publishers; railway, shipping and forwarding agents, storekeepers, warehousemen, haulage and transport contractors, garage proprietors, operators, hirers and letters on hire of, and dealers in motor or other vehicles, craft, plant, machinery, tools and equipment of all kinds.
  - 3.2 To carry on any other business or activity of any nature whatsoever which may seem to the Directors to be capable of being conveniently or advantageously carried on in connection or conjunction with any business of the Company hereinbefore or hereinafter authorised or to be expedient with a view directly or indirectly to enhancing the value of or to rendering profitable or more profitable any of the Company's assets or utilising its skills, know-how or expertise.
  - 3.3 To subscribe, underwrite, purchase, or otherwise acquire, and to hold, dispose of, and deal with, any shares or other securities or investments of any nature whatsoever, and any options or rights in respect thereof or interests therein, and to buy and sell foreign exchange.
  - **3.4** To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, negotiate, execute and issue, and to buy, sell and deal with bills of exchange, promissory notes, and other negotiable or transferable instruments or securities.
  - 3.5 To purchase or otherwise acquire for any estate or interest any property (real or personal) or assets or any concessions, licences, grants, patents, trade marks, copyrights or other exclusive or non-exclusive rights of any kind and to hold, develop

- and turn to account and deal with the same in such manner as may be thought fit and to make experiments and tests and to carry on all kinds of research work.
- 3.6 To build, construct, alter, remove, replace, equip, execute, carry out, improve, work, develop, administer, maintain, manage or control buildings, structures or facilities of all kinds, whether for the purposes of the Company or for sale, letting or hire to or in return for any consideration from any company, firm or person, and to contribute to or assist in or carry out any part of any such operation.
- **3.7** To amalgamate or enter into partnership or any joint venture or profit/loss-sharing arrangement or other association with any company, firm, person or body.
- 3.8 To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any company, firm, person or body carrying on any business which the Company is authorised to carry on or possessed of any property suitable for the purposes of the Company.
- **3.9** To promote, or join in the promotion of, any company, whether or not having objects similar to those of the Company.
- 3.10 To borrow and raise money and to secure or discharge any debt or obligation of or binding on the Company in such manner as may be thought fit and in particular by mortgages and charges upon all or any part of the undertaking, property and assets (present and future) and the uncalled capital of the Company, or by the creation and issue of debentures, debenture stock or other securities of any description.
- **3.11** To advance, lend or deposit money or give credit to or with any company, firm or person on such terms as may be thought fit and with or without security.
- 3.12 To guarantee or give indemnities or provide security, whether by personal covenant or by mortgage or charge upon all or any part of the undertaking, property and assets (present and future) and the uncalled capital of the Company, or by all or any such methods, for the performance of any contracts or obligations, and the payment of capital or principal (together with any premium) and dividends or interest on any shares, debentures or other securities, of any person, firm or company including (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) any company which is for the time being a holding company of the Company or another subsidiary of any such holding company or is associated with the Company in business.
- **3.13** To issue any securities which the Company has power to issue for any other purpose by way of security or indemnity or in satisfaction of any liability undertaken or agreed to be undertaken by the Company.
- 3.14 To sell, lease, grant licences, easements and other rights over, and in any other manner deal with or dispose of, the undertaking, property, assets, rights and effects of the Company or any part thereof for such consideration as may be thought fit, and in particular for shares or other securities, whether fully or partly paid up.
- **3.15** To procure the registration, recognition or incorporation of the Company in or under the laws of any territory outside England.
- **3.16** To subscribe or guarantee money for any national, charitable, benevolent, public, general or useful object or for any purpose which may be considered likely directly or indirectly to further the interests of the Company or of its members.

- (i) To establish and maintain or contribute to any pension or superannuation funds for the benefit of, and to give or procure the giving of donations, gratuities, pensions, allowances or emoluments to, any individuals who are or were at any time in the employment or service of the Company or of any associated company, or who are or were at any time directors or officers of the Company or of any associated company, and the wives, widows, families and dependants of any such individuals; to establish and subsidise or subscribe to any institutions, associations, clubs or funds which may be considered likely to benefit any such persons or to further the interests of the Company or of any associated company; and to make payments for or towards the insurance of any such persons.
- (ii) To establish and maintain, and to lend or contribute to, any scheme for encouraging or facilitating the holding of shares or debentures or other securities in the Company or any associated company by or for the benefit of its employees or former employees, or those of any associated company, or by or for the benefit of such other persons as may for the time being be permitted by law, or any scheme for sharing profits with its employees or those of its associated companies, and (so far as for the time being permitted by law) to lend money to employees of the Company or of any associated company with a view to enabling them to acquire shares in the Company or any associated company.
- (iii) (a) To purchase and maintain insurance for or for the benefit of any persons who are were at any time directors, officers or employees or auditors of the Company, or of any associated company, or who are or were at any time trustees of any pension fund or employees' share scheme in which any employees of the Company or of any associated company are interested, including (without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) insurance against any liability incurred by such persons in respect of any act or omission in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of their duties and/or in the exercise or purported exercise of their powers and/or otherwise in relation to the Company or associated company or pension fund; (b) to such extent as may be permitted by law otherwise to indemnify any such person against or from any such liability; and (c) so far as may be permitted by the Companies Act 1985 and the Companies Act 2006 to (i) provide a Director with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by him in defending any criminal or civil proceedings or in connection with any application for relief under those provisions of the Companies Act 2006 referred to in Section 205 (5) of that Act and (ii) to do anything to enable a Director to avoid incurring such expenditure.

#### (iv) In this paragraph 3.17:

- (a) an "associated company" is any company (i) which is the Company's holding company or (ii) in which the Company or its holding company or any of the predecessors of the Company or of such holding company has any interest whether direct or indirect or (iii) which is in any way allied to or associated with the Company or its holding company or any of the predecessors of the Company or of such holding company, or (iv) which is a subsidiary undertaking of any other associated company; and
- (b) "holding company" and "subsidiary undertaking" have the same meanings as in the Companies Act 1985 as amended by the Companies Act 1989.

- **3.18** To distribute among members of the Company *in specie* or otherwise, by way of dividend or bonus or by way of reduction of capital, all or any of the property or assets of the Company, or any proceeds of sale or other disposal of any property or assets of the Company, with and subject to any incident authorised and consent required by law.
- 3.19 To do all or any of the things and matters aforesaid in any part of the world, and either as principals, agents, contractors, trustees or otherwise, and by or through trustees, agents, subsidiary companies or otherwise, and either alone or in conjunction with others.
- **3.20** To do all such other things as may be considered to be incidental or conducive to any of the above objects.

And it is hereby declared that the objects of the Company as specified in each of the foregoing paragraphs of this Clause (except only if and so far as otherwise expressly provided in any paragraph) shall be separate and distinct objects of the Company and shall not be in any way limited by reference to any other paragraph or the order in which the same occur or the name of the Company.

- 4 The liability of the members is limited.
- 5 The Company's share capital is £100 divided into 100 shares of £1 each.

We, the Subscriber to this Memorandum of Association wish to be formed into a Company pursuant to this Memorandum; and we agree to take the share shown opposite our name.

Name and Address of Subscriber	Number of Shares taken
Greene King plc	
Westgate Brewery	
Bury St Edmunds	
Suffolk	One
IP33 1QT	
For and on behalf of	
Greene King plc	
Total Shares taken:	One

**Dated:** 6 May 2009

#### The Companies Act 1985

#### **Company Limited by Shares**

Articles of Association

of

Greene King Debt Acquisitions Limited

#### **Preliminary**

The regulations contained in Table A in The Companies (Tables A to F) Regulations 1985 (as amended so as to affect companies first registered on the date of incorporation of the Company) shall, except as hereinafter provided and so far as not inconsistent with the provisions of these Articles, apply to the Company to the exclusion of all other regulations or Articles of Association. References herein to Regulations are to Regulations in the said Table A unless otherwise stated.

#### **Share Capital**

2 The share capital of the Company is £100 divided into 100 Ordinary Shares of £1 each.

#### **Allotment of Shares**

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- 3.1 Subject to Section 80 of the Act, all unissued shares shall be at the disposal of the Directors and they may allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons, at such times, and on such terms as they think proper.
- 3.2 Pursuant to and in accordance with Section 80 of the Act, the Directors shall be generally and unconditionally authorised to exercise during the period of five years from the date of incorporation of the Company all the powers of the Company to allot relevant securities up to an aggregate nominal amount of £100.
- **3.3** By the authority in Article 3.2 the Directors may make offers or agreements which would or might require the allotment of relevant securities after the expiry of such period.
- **3.4** Section 89(1) of the Act shall not apply to the allotment by the Company of equity securities.
- 3.5 Words and expressions defined in or for the purposes of the said Section 80 or the said Section 89 shall bear the same meanings in this Article.

#### Notice of general meetings

4 General meetings shall be called by at least 14 clear days' notice but a general meeting may be called by shorter notice if so agreed to by a majority in number of the members having a right to

attend and vote being a majority together holding not less than 90% in nominal value of the shares giving a right to attend and vote at the meeting.

#### Written Resolutions

A written resolution of the Company (which means a resolution proposed and passed in accordance with Chapter 2 of Part 13 of the Companies Act 2006) shall have effect as if passed by the Company in general meeting or by a meeting of a class of members of the Company, as the case may be. In the case of a corporation a written resolution may be signed on its behalf by a Director or the Secretary thereof or by its duly appointed attorney or duly authorised representative.

#### **Proxies**

6 An instrument appointing a proxy (and, where it is signed on behalf of the appointor by an attorney, the letter or power of attorney or a duly certified copy thereof) must either be delivered at such place or one of such places (if any) as may be specified for that purpose in or by way of note to the notice convening the meeting (or, if no place is so specified, at the registered office) at least one hour before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting or (in the case of a poll taken otherwise than at or on the same day as the meeting or adjourned meeting) for the taking of the poll at which it is to be used or be delivered to the Secretary (or the chairman of the meeting) on the day and at the place of, but in any event before the time appointed for holding, the meeting or adjourned meeting or poll. The instrument may be in the form of a facsimile or other machine-made copy and shall, unless the contrary is stated thereon, be valid as well for any adjournment of the meeting as for the meeting to which it relates. An instrument of proxy relating to more than one meeting (including any adjournment thereof) having once been so delivered for the purposes of any meeting shall not require again to be delivered for the purposes of any subsequent meeting to which it relates. Regulation 62 shall not apply.

#### Voting

At a general meeting, but subject to any rights or restrictions attached to any shares, on a show of hands every member present in person or by proxy (or being a corporation present by a duly authorised representative) shall have one vote, and on a poll every member who is present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share of which he is the holder. Regulation 54 shall not apply.

#### **Number of Directors**

8 The Directors shall not be less than one in number. Regulation 64 shall be modified accordingly. Whenever the minimum number of Directors shall be one, a sole Director shall form a quorum, and Regulation 89 shall be modified accordingly.

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- **9.1** Any Director (other than an alternate Director) may appoint any other person willing to act to be an alternate Director. Regulation 65 shall not apply.
- An alternate Director shall (except when absent from the United Kingdom) be entitled to receive notices of meetings of the Directors and of any committee of the Directors of which his appointor is a member and shall be entitled to attend and vote as a Director and be counted in the quorum at any such meeting at which his appointor is not personally present and generally at such meeting to perform all functions of his appointor as a Director and for the purposes of the proceedings at such meeting the provisions of these Articles shall apply as if he were a Director. If he shall be himself a Director or shall attend any such meeting as an alternate for more than one Director, his voting rights shall be cumulative but he shall not be counted more than once for the purposes of the quorum. His signature to any resolution in writing of the Directors shall be as effective as the signature of his appointor. An alternate Director shall not (save as aforesaid) have power to act as a Director, nor shall he be deemed to be a Director for the purposes of these Articles, nor shall he be deemed to be the agent of his appointor. Regulations 66 and 69 shall not apply.
- 9.3 An alternate Director shall be entitled to contract and be interested in and benefit from contracts or arrangements or transactions and to be repaid expenses and to be indemnified to the same extent mutatis mutandis as if he were a Director but he shall not be entitled to receive from the Company in respect of his appointment as alternate Director any remuneration except only such part (if any) of the remuneration otherwise payable to his appointor as such appointor may by notice in writing to the Company from time to time direct.

#### **Delegation Of Directors' Powers**

In addition to the powers to delegate contained in Regulation 72, the Directors may delegate any of their powers or discretions (including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing all powers and discretions whose exercise involves or may involve the payment of remuneration to or the conferring of any other benefit on all or any of the Directors) to committees consisting of one or more Directors and (if thought fit) one or more other named person or persons to be co-opted as hereinafter provided. Insofar as any such power or discretion is delegated to a committee, any reference in these Articles to the exercise by the Directors of the power or discretion so delegated shall be read and construed as if it were a reference to the exercise thereof by such committee. Any committee so formed shall in the exercise of the powers so delegated conform to any regulations which may from time to time be imposed by the Directors. Any such regulations may provide for or authorise the co-option to the committee of persons other than Directors and may provide for members who are not Directors to have voting rights as members of the committee.

#### **Appointment and Retirement of Directors**

The Directors shall not be subject to retirement by rotation. Other references in the said Table A to retirement by rotation shall be disregarded.

#### Disqualification and Removal of Directors

The office of a Director shall be vacated in any of the events specified in Regulation 81 and also if he shall in writing offer to resign and the Directors shall resolve to accept such offer but so that if he holds an appointment to an executive office which thereby automatically determines such removal shall be deemed an act of the Company and shall have effect without prejudice to any claim for damages for breach of any contract of service between him and the Company.

#### **Remuneration of Directors**

Any Director who serves on any committee, or who otherwise performs services which in the opinion of the Directors are outside the scope of the ordinary duties of a Director, may be paid such extra remuneration by way of salary, commission or otherwise or may receive such other benefits as the Directors may determine. Regulation 82 shall be extended accordingly.

#### **Proceedings of Directors**

The Directors, and any committee of the Directors, shall be deemed to meet together if, being in separate locations, they are nonetheless linked by conference telephone or other communication equipment which allows those participating to hear and speak to each other, and a quorum in that event shall be two persons so linked. Such a meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest group of those participating is assembled or, if there is no such group, where the chairman of the meeting then is.

#### 15 Authorisation of Directors' interests

- **15.1** For the purposes of Section 175 of the Companies Act 2006, the Directors shall have the power to authorise any matter which would or might otherwise constitute or give rise to a breach of the duty of a Director under that Section to avoid a situation in which he has, or can have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interests of the Company.
- **15.2** Authorisation of a matter under this Article shall be effective only if:
  - the matter in question shall have been proposed in writing for consideration at a meeting of the Directors, in accordance with the Board's normal procedures or in such other manner as the Directors may determine;
  - any requirement as to the quorum at the meeting of the Directors at which the matter is considered is met without counting the Director in question and any other interested Director (together the "Interested Directors"); and
  - the matter was agreed to without the Interested Directors voting or would have been agreed to if the votes of the Interested Directors had not been counted.
- **15.3** Any authorisation of a matter under this Article may:
  - (a) extend to any actual or potential conflict of interest which may arise out of the matter so authorised;
  - (b) be subject to such conditions or limitations as the Directors may determine, whether at the time such authorisation is given or subsequently;

- (c) be terminated by the Directors at any time;
- and a Director shall comply with any obligations imposed on him by the Directors pursuant to any such authorisation.
- A Director shall not, save as otherwise agreed by him, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he (or a person connected with him) derives from any matter authorised by the Directors under this Article and any contract, transaction or arrangement relating thereto shall not be liable to be avoided on the grounds of any such benefit.
- **15.5** This Article does not apply to a conflict of interest arising in relation to a transaction or arrangement with the Company.

#### 16 Permitted Interests

- **16.1** Subject to compliance with Article 15.2, a Director, notwithstanding his office, may have an interest of the following kind:
  - (a) where a Director (or a person connected with him) is a director or other officer of, or employed by, or otherwise interested (including by the holding of shares) in any Relevant Company;
  - (b) where a Director (or a person connected with his) is a party to, or otherwise interested in, any contract, transaction or arrangement with a Relevant Company, or in which the Company is otherwise interested;
  - (c) where the Director (or a person connected with him) acts (or any firm of which he is a partner, employee or member acts) act in a professional capacity for any Relevant Company (other than as Auditor) whether or not he or it is remunerated therefore:
  - (d) where a Director is or becomes a director of any other company in which the Company does not have an interest if that cannot reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest at the time of his appointment as director of that other Company;
  - (e) an interest which cannot reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest;
  - (f) an interest, or a transaction or arrangement giving rise to an interest, of which the Director is not aware; or
  - (g) any other interest authorised by Ordinary Resolution.

No authorisation under Article 15 shall be necessary in respect of any such interest.

- **16.2** Subject to Section 182 of the Companies Act 2006 the Director shall declare the nature and extent of any interest permitted under Article 16.1, and not falling within Article 16.3, at a meeting of the Directors or in such other manner as the Directors may determine.
- **16.3** No declaration of an interest shall be required by a Director in relation to an interest:
  - (a) falling within paragraph (d) or (e) of Article 16.1;
  - (b) if, or to the extent that, the other Directors are already aware of such interest (and for this purpose the other Directors are treated as aware of anything of which they ought reasonably to be aware); or

- (c) if, or to the extent that, it concerns the terms of his service contract (as defined in Section 227 of the Companies Act 2006) that have been or are to be considered by a meeting of the Directors, or by a committee of Directors appointed for the purpose under these Articles.
- 16.4 A Director shall not, save as otherwise agreed by him, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he (or a person connected with him) derives from any such contract, transaction or arrangement or from any such office or employment or from any interest in any Relevant Company or for such remuneration, each as referred to in Article 16.1, and no such contract, transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be avoided on the grounds of any such interest or benefit.
- **16.5** For the purposes of this Article, "**Relevant Company**" shall mean: .
  - (a) the Company;
  - (b) a subsidiary undertaking of the Company;
  - (c) any holding company of the Company or a subsidiary undertaking of any such holding company;
  - (d) any body corporate promoted by the Company; or
  - (e) any body corporate in which the Company is otherwise interested.

#### 17 Restrictions on quorum and voting

- 17.1 Save as provided in this Article, and whether or not the interest is one which is authorised pursuant to Article 15 or permitted under Article 16, a Director shall not be entitled to vote on any resolution in respect of any contract, transaction or arrangement, or any other proposal, in which he (or a person connected with him) is interested. Any vote of a Director in respect of a matter where he is not entitled to vote shall be disregarded.
- **17.2** A Director shall not be counted in the quorum at a meeting of the Directors in relation to any resolution on which he is not entitled to vote.
- 17.3 Subject to the provisions of the Statutes, a Director shall (in the absence of some other interest than is set out below) be entitled to vote, and be counted in the quorum, in respect of any resolution concerning any contacts, transaction or arrangements, or any other proposal:
  - (a) in which he has an interest of which he is not aware;
  - (b) in which he has an interest which cannot reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest;
  - (c) in which he has an interest only by virtue of interests in shares, debentures or other securities of the Company, or by reason of any other interest in or through the Company;
  - (d) which involves the giving of any security, guarantee or indemnity to the Director or any other person in respect of (i) money lent or obligations incurred by him or by any other person at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings or (ii) a debt or other obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings for which he himself has

- assumed responsibility in whole or in part under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
- (e) concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings (i) in which offer he is or may be entitled to participate as a holder of securities or (ii) in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of which he is to participate;
- (f) concerning any other body corporate in which he is interested, directly or indirectly and whether as an officer, shareholder, creditor, employee or otherwise, provided that he (together with persons connected with him) is not the holder of, or beneficially interested in, one per cent or more of the issued equity share capital of any class of such body corporate or of the voting rights available to members of the relevant body corporate;
- (g) relating to an arrangement for the benefit of the employees or former employees of the Company or any of its subsidiary undertakings which does not award him any privilege or benefit not generally awarded to the employees or former employees to whom such arrangement relates;
- (h) concerning the purchase or maintenance by the Company of insurance for any liability for the benefit of Directors or for the benefit of persons who include Directors;
- (i) concerning the giving of indemnities in favour of Directors;
- (j) concerning the funding of expenditure by any Director or Directors on (i) defending criminal, civil or regulatory proceedings or action against him or then, (ii) in connection with an application to the court for relief, or (iii) defending him or them in any regulatory investigations;
- (k) concerning the doing of anything to enable any Director or Directors to avoid incurring expenditure as described in paragraph (i); and
- (I) in respect of which his interest, or the interest of Directors generally, has been authorised by Ordinary Resolution.
- 17.4 Where proposals are under consideration concerning the appointment (including fixing or varying the terms of appointment) of two or more Directors to offices or employments with the Company or any body corporate in which the Company is interested, the proposals may be divided and considered in relation to each Director separately. In such case each of the Directors concerned (if not debarred from voting under paragraph (f) of Article 17.3) above) shall be entitled to vote, and be counted in the quorum, in respect of each resolution except that concerning his own appointment or the fixing or variation of the terms thereof.
- 17.5 If a question arises at any time as to whether any interest of a Director prevents him from voting, or being counted in the quorum, under this Article, and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting, such question shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and his ruling in relation to any Director other than himself shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of such Director has not been fairly disclosed. If any such question shall arise in respect of the chairman of the meeting, the question shall be decided by resolution of the Directors and the resolution shall be conclusive except in a case where

the nature or extent of the interest of the chairman of the meeting (so far as it is known to him) has not been fairly disclosed to the Directors.

#### 18 Confidential information

- **18.1** Subject to Article 18.2, if a Director, otherwise than by virtue of his position as Director, receives information in respect of which he owes a duty of confidentiality to a person other than the Company, he shall not be required:
  - (a) to disclose such information to the Company or to the Directors, or to any Director, officer or employee of the Company; or
  - (b) otherwise use or apply such confidential information for the purpose of or in connection with the performance of his duties as a Director.
- 18.2 Where such duty of confidentiality arises out of a situation in which the Director has, or can have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interests of the Company, Article 18.1 shall apply only if the conflict arises out of a matter which has been authorised under Article 15 above or falls within Article 16 above.
- **18.3** This Article is without prejudice to any equitable principle or rule of law which may excuse or release the Director from disclosing information, in circumstances where disclosure may otherwise be required under this Article.

#### 19 Directors' interests - general

- **19.1** For the purposes of Articles 15 to 19:
  - (a) an interest of a person who is connected with a Director shall be treated as an interest of the Director; and
  - (b) Section 252 of the Companies Act 2006 shall determine whether a person is connected with a Director.
- 19.2 Where a Director has an interest which can reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest, the Director may, and shall if so requested by the Directors take such additional steps as may be necessary or desirable for the purpose of managing such conflict of interest, including compliance with any procedures laid down from time to time by the Directors for the purpose of managing conflicts of interest generally and/or any specific procedures approved by the Directors for the purpose of or in connection with the situation or matter in question, including without limitation:
  - (a) absenting himself from any meetings of the Directors at which the relevant situation or matter falls to be considered; and
  - (b) not reviewing documents or information made available to the Directors generally in relation to such situation or matter and/or arranging for such documents or information to be reviewed by a professional adviser to ascertain the extent to which it might be appropriate for him to have access to such documents or information.
- **19.3** The Company may by Ordinary Resolution ratify any contract, transaction or arrangement, or other proposal, not properly authorised by reason of a contravention of any provisions of Articles 15 to 19.

20 Directors who are absent from the United Kingdom shall be entitled to the same notice of all meetings of the Directors as Directors not so absent and the third sentence of Regulation 88 shall not apply. If a Director who is absent from the United Kingdom does not advise the Company in writing of his overseas address, notice to his usual address in the United Kingdom shall be deemed sufficient notice for the purposes of this Article.

#### **Notices**

A member whose registered address is not within the United Kingdom shall be entitled to have notices sent to him as if he were a member with a registered address within the United Kingdom and the last sentence of Regulation 112 shall not apply.

#### Indemnity

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- 22.1 Subject to the provisions of, and so far as may be permitted by and consistent with the Act and the Companies Act 2006, every Director and officer of the Company and of each of the Associated Companies of the Company shall be indemnified by the Company out of its own funds against:
  - (a) any liability incurred by or attaching to him in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by him in relation to the Company or any Associated Company of the Company other than:
    - (i) any liability to the Company or any Associated Company; and
    - (ii) any liability of the kind referred to in Section 234(3) of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - (b) any other liability incurred by or attaching to him in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of his duties and/or the exercise or purported exercise of his powers and/or otherwise in relation to or in connection with his duties, powers or office.
- 22.2 Subject to the Act and the Companies Act 2006 the Company may indemnify a Director of the Company and any Associated Company of the Company if it is the trustee of an occupational pension scheme (within the meaning of Section 235(6) of the Companies Act 2006).
- **22.3** Where a Director or officer is indemnified against any liability in accordance with this Article 22, such indemnity shall extend to all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him in relation thereto.
- **22.4** In this Article "Associated Company" shall have the meaning given thereto by Section 256 of the Companies Act 2006.
- 22.5 Regulation 118 shall not apply.

- 23.1 Without prejudice to paragraph 22 above, the Directors shall have power to purchase and maintain insurance for or for the benefit of (i) any person who is or was at any time a Director or officer of any Relevant Company (as defined in paragraph 19.2 below), or (ii) any person who is or was at any time a trustee of any pension fund or employees' share scheme in which employees of any Relevant Company are interested, including (without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) insurance against any liability incurred by or attaching to him in respect of any act or omission in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of his duties and/or in the exercise or purported exercise of his powers and/or otherwise in relation to his duties, powers or offices in relation to any Relevant Company, or any such pension fund or employees' share scheme (and all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him in relation thereto).
- 23.2 For the purpose of paragraph 23.1 above "Relevant Company" shall mean the Company, any holding company of the Company or any other body, whether or not incorporated, in which the Company or such holding company or any of the predecessors of the Company or of such holding company has or had any interest whether direct or indirect or which is in any way allied to or associated with the Company, or any subsidiary undertaking of the Company or of such other body.

#### **Defence funding**

#### 24

- **24.1** Subject to the provisions of and so far as may be permitted by the Act and the Companies Act 2006, the Company:
  - (a) may provide a Director or officer of the Company or any Associated Company of the Company with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by him in defending any criminal or civil proceedings in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by him in relation to the Company or an Associated Company of the Company or in connection with any application for relief under the provisions mentioned in Section 205(5) of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - (b) may do anything to enable any such Director or officer to avoid incurring such expenditure.
- **24.2** The terms set out in Section 205(2) of the Companies Act 2006 shall apply to any provision of funds or other things done under Article 20.1.
- **24.3** Subject to the provisions of and so far as may be permitted by the Act and the Companies Act 2006, the Company:
  - (a) may provide a Director or officer of the Company or any Associated Company of the Company with funds to meet expenditure incurred or to be incurred by him in defending himself in an investigation by a regulatory authority or against action proposed to be taken by a regulatory authority in connection with any

- alleged negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by him in relation to the Company or any Associated Company of the Company; and
- (b) may do anything to enable any such Director or officer to avoid incurring such expenditure.
- **24.4** In this Article 24 "Associated Company" shall have the meaning given thereto by Section 256 of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **Overriding Provisions**

- Any member holding, or any members together holding, shares carrying not less than 90 per cent of the votes which may for the time being be cast at a general meeting of the Company may at any time and from time to time:
  - (a) appoint any person to be a Director (whether to fill a vacancy or as an additional Director);
  - (b) remove from office any Director howsoever appointed but so that if he holds an appointment to an executive office which thereby automatically determines such removal shall be deemed an act of the Company and shall have effect without prejudice to any claim for damages for breach of any contract of service between him and the Company;
  - (c) by notice to the Company require that no unissued shares shall be issued or agreed to be issued or put under option without the consent of such member or members;
  - (d) restrict any or all powers of the Directors in such respects and to such extent as such member or members may by notice to the Company from time to time prescribe.

Any such appointment, removal, consent or notice shall be in writing served on the Company and signed by the member or members. No person dealing with the Company shall be concerned to see or enquire as to whether the powers of the Directors have been in any way restricted hereunder or as to whether any requisite consent of such member or members has been obtained and no obligation incurred or security given or transaction effected by the Company to or with any third party shall be invalid or ineffectual unless the third party had at the time express notice that the incurring of such obligation or the giving of such security or the effecting of such transaction was in excess of the powers of the Directors.

To the extent of any inconsistency this Article shall have overriding effect as against all other provisions of these Articles.

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