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THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

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1 DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 In these Articles unless the context otherwise requires each of the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings:

“2023 SIA” means a supplemental investment agreement among the Company, the Investors and others (all as defined therein) dated on or around the date of adoption of these Articles;

“Act” the Companies Act 2006;

“acting in concert” the meaning set out in the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers for the time being;

“Adjustment Event” means;

- a) the acquisition or disposal by the Company of any Group Company or business; or
- b) the Company putting in place new financing or refinancing arrangements; or
- c) a reorganisation of the share capital of the Company;

“Approved Issue” means the issue of (i) any shares in the capital of the Company pursuant to the Options Pool or (ii) pursuant to the terms of the 2023 SIA;

“Asset Sale” means the disposal by the Company of all or substantially all of its undertaking and assets (where disposal may include, without limitation, the grant by the Company of an exclusive licence of intellectual property not entered into in the ordinary course of business), in each case other than to a Group Company;

“Auditors” the auditors of the Company for the time being unless auditors are not required pursuant to the Act and have not been appointed, in which case such reference shall mean the accountants of the Company;

“Bad Leaver”	any Leaver who is not a Good Leaver;
“Base Date”	7 th October 2022;
“Board”	the board of directors of the Company from time to time;
“Business Day”	any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open in Edinburgh for normal banking business;
“Capital Hurdle”	means £13,310,000, being the net equity value of the Company at the time of a Realisation Event, which can be rebased or adjusted by the Board to take into account an Adjustment Event but cannot be reduced below nil;
“Change of Control”	the obtaining of Control of the Company by any person or persons, not being a shareholder at the date of adoption of these Articles;
“Control”	the meaning given to that expression by section 1124 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010;
“Controlling Interest”	an interest (as defined in section 820 to 825 of the Act) in Shares in the Company conferring in aggregate more than 50% of the total voting rights normally exercisable at a general meeting of the Company;
“connected person”	the meaning given to that expression in section 993 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and “connected with” shall be construed accordingly;
“Deemed Transfer Notice”	has the meaning given at Article 9.2;
“Donald Houston”	means Donald Houston residing at Mingary House, The Ardnamurchan Estate, By Archaracle, Kilchoan, Acharacle PH36 4LN;
“Equity Shares”	means the shares of the Company but excluding the Growth Shares;
“Executive”	means Andrew Travers, residing at 4 Wester Balrymonth Steadings, St Andrews, KY16 8NN, United Kingdom;
“Existing Shareholders”	those persons, who are not also Investors, holding Shares in the Company;
“Fair Value”	the value determined by the Auditors in accordance with Article 10;
“Family Member”	the wife, husband or civil partner (or widow, widower or surviving civil partner), children and grandchildren (including step, adopted children and grandchildren and their issue) of the relevant shareholder;

“Financial Year”	an accounting period in respect of which the Company prepares its accounts in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Statutes;
“Founder”	means Ian Redmond residing at Drumhead Cottage, Peat Inn, Cupar, Fife KY15 5ZH;
“Good Leaver”	<p>a person who is a Leaver as a result of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) death; (b) retirement at 65 years of age or more; (c) Serious Ill Health; (d) wrongful or unfair dismissal or dismissal by reason of redundancy (in the case of an employee) or unlawful contractual termination (in the case of a Director or consultant); (e) becoming a Leaver after 3 years following the Base Date or the date of commencement of employment or holding of office (whichever is the later) except where such cessation occurs in circumstances justifying Summary Dismissal (in the case of an employee) or termination of contract (in the case of a Director or consultant); <p>or where the Board (with Investor Consent) determines such person is a Good Leaver;</p>
“Group”	the Company, its subsidiary undertakings and any holding company (as both are defined in the Act) from time to time and references to “member of the Group” and “Group Company” shall be construed accordingly;
“Growth Shares”	means growth shares of £0.01 each in the share capital of the Company from time to time;
“Investment Agreement”	the investment agreement among the Company, the Investors, Scottish Enterprise, the Existing Shareholders, the Founder and the Executive dated 19 March 2018 as amended, supplemented and varied by (i) a supplemental investment agreement among the Company, Scottish Enterprise and others (all as defined therein) dated 3 November 2020, and (ii) the 2023 SIA, both as supplemented, varied or replaced from time to time;
“Investor Consent”	the consent in writing of the Investor Majority in accordance with the terms of Article 1.9;

“Investor Directors”	such person or persons as may be appointed as directors of the Company pursuant to Article 12.2 or Article 12.3 (and any alternate);
“Investor Majority”	investors holding more than 60 % by value of the Shares in the Company in issue held by the Investors (whether through nominees or otherwise) for so long as those entities hold Shares in the Company and which shall include Scottish Enterprise;
“Investors”	shall have the meaning ascribed to it in the Investment Agreement;
“IPO”	means the admission of all or any of the Shares or securities representing those shares (including without limitation depositary interests, American depositary receipts, American depositary shares and/or other instruments) on NASDAQ or the Official List of the United Kingdom Listing Authority or the AIM Market operated by the London Stock Exchange Plc or any other recognised investment exchange or recognised overseas investment exchange (as defined in section 285 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000);
“Issue Price”	in respect of a Share, the aggregate of the amount paid up (or credited as paid up) in respect of the nominal value and any share premium;
“JB Shareholders”	has the meaning ascribed to it in the Investment Agreement;
“John Brownlie”	means John Brownlie residing at Whitelaw Farmhouse, Haddington, EH41 4LG;
“Leaver”	a shareholder who is an individual and who is or was previously a Director (other than any Investor Director), consultant or employee of a member of the Group and who ceases be so engaged or to hold such office or employment unless the Investor Majority notify the Company that such person is not a Leaver;
“McQueen Shareholders”	has the meaning ascribed to it in the Investment Agreement;
“Model Articles”	the model articles for companies limited by shares contained in Schedule 1 of the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (SI 2008/3229) as amended prior to the date of adoption of these Articles;
“Neil McQueen”	means Neil McQueen residing at Drumveigh, 47 Barnton Avenue, Edinburgh, EH4 6JJ
“Options Pool”	options over up to 20% of the entire fully diluted share capital of the Company to any employees, directors and/or consultants pursuant to any share option scheme and/or share option agreement(s) established or otherwise entered into by the Company from time to time and this shall specifically include the 2,000 Growth Shares in issue as at the date of adoption of these Articles;

“Ordinary Shares”	the ordinary shares of £0.01 each in the capital of the Company having the rights set out in these Articles;
“Other Investors”	means Donald Houston, John Brownlie (acting for himself and on behalf of the JB Shareholders) and Neil McQueen (acting for himself and on behalf of the McQueen Shareholders) acting together;
“Other Investor Director”	such person as the Other Investors may appoint as a director of the Company pursuant to Article 12.2 (and any alternate);
“Permitted Transferee”	any Family Member, any trust established for the benefit of a shareholder or his/her Family Members, a Related Company (as that term is defined in Article 6.1) as more fully described in Article 6;
“Realisation Event”	means a Sale, an Asset Sale, an IPO or a distribution made by the Company following or in the context of a liquidation of the Company;
“Sale”	means the making of one or more agreements (whether conditional or not) for the disposal, transfer, purchase, subscription or renunciation of any part of the share capital of the Company giving rise to a transfer of a Controlling Interest except where the identities of the shareholders in the buyer and the proportion of shares of the buyer held by each of them following completion of the sale are the same as the identities of the shareholders and their respective shareholdings in the Company immediately before the sale and for the purposes of this definition disposal shall mean a sale, transfer, assignment or other disposition whereby a person ceases to be the absolute beneficial owner of the share in question or voting rights attached thereto or an agreement to enter into such disposal or the grant of a right to compel entry into such agreement;
“Scottish Enterprise”	Scottish Enterprise, established by the Enterprise and New Towns (Scotland) Act 1990 and having its principal place of business at Atrium Court, 50 Waterloo Street, Glasgow, G2 6HQ;
“Scottish Enterprise Group”	Scottish Enterprise, any subsidiary for the time being of Scottish Enterprise and any company, corporation or other body of persons which shall have acquired the whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking of Scottish Enterprise or any subsidiary of such company, corporation or body and any other body to which the statutory functions of Scottish Enterprise have been delegated or a Scottish Enterprise Successor and the expression “Scottish Enterprise Group” shall be construed accordingly;
“Scottish Enterprise Successor”	any party succeeding in whole or in part to the interests of Scottish Enterprise;

“SE Investor Director”	such person as Scottish Enterprise may appoint as a director of the Company pursuant to Article 12.3 (and any alternate);
“Seller”	a shareholder who wishes, or is required, to transfer Shares or any beneficial interest therein to a person to whom Article 6 (Permitted Transfers) does not apply;
“Serious Ill Health”	an illness or disability certified by a general medical practitioner (nominated or approved by the Investors) as rendering the person concerned permanently incapable of carrying out his role as an employee or Director save where such incapacity has arisen as a result of the abuse of drugs (including alcohol);
“shareholder”	a person who is entered in the register of members as the holder of Shares;
“Shares”	any share forming part of the share capital of the Company;
“Summary Dismissal”	means dismissal without notice by the Company of an employee for reasons of fraud, gross misconduct, dishonesty or some other substantial reason relating to the material adverse conduct of the employee (and in the event that the relevant person to which this definition applies is an officer or consultant of the Company then the foregoing definition shall be construed so that the person’s material adverse conduct would have entitled the Company to dismiss him without notice if he had been an employee of the Company);
“the Statutes”	the Companies Act as defined in section 2 of the Act and every other statute, order, regulation, instrument or other subordinate legislation for the time being in force relating to companies and affecting the Company;
“Tag Along Offer”	an unconditional offer, open for acceptance for not less than 15 Business Days, to purchase Shares at a price per Share equal to the highest price per share (exclusive of stamp duty) paid or to be paid by any transferee referred to in Article 8.1 (or any person with whom such transferee is connected with or with whom such transferee is acting in concert) for Shares (inclusive of the Shares giving rise to the obligation to make the Tag Along Offer);
“Transfer Event”	has the meaning given to that term in Article 9; and
“Transfer Price”	in relation to a Transfer Notice given under a voluntary transfer pursuant to Article 7, the price stated in the Transfer Notice or as otherwise determined in accordance with Article 10, or in the case of a Deemed Transfer Notice as determined in accordance with Article 9.4;

- 1.2 references to any statute or statutory provision include, unless inconsistent with the context, a reference to that statute or statutory provision as modified, re-enacted or consolidated and in force from time to time, whether before or after the date of these Articles;
- 1.3 where the word “address” appears in these Articles it is deemed to include postal address and, where applicable, electronic address (being any address or number used for the purposes of sending or receiving documents or information by electronic means);
- 1.4 references to a person include any individual, firm, body corporate, unincorporated association or partnership;
- 1.5 references to the plural will include the singular and vice-versa;
- 1.6 headings are for convenience only and do not affect the construction or interpretation of these Articles;
- 1.7 the Model Articles shall apply to the Company, except insofar as they are modified or excluded by these Articles. Model Articles 23, 24(2)(d), 26(5) and 49 shall not apply to the Company;
- 1.8 save as otherwise specifically provided in these Articles, words and expressions which have particular meanings in the Model Articles shall have the same meaning in these Articles subject to which and unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions which have a particular meaning in the Act shall have the same meaning in the Articles; and
- 1.9 All references herein to consent, approval or permission by the Investors will mean the Investors acting by Investor Majority, unless otherwise stated. Investor Consent may be given subject to such terms and conditions as the Investor Majority may impose and any breach of such terms and conditions by any person subject thereto will be deemed to be a breach of the terms of these Articles. Any application for Investor Consent may be made to the Investor Director (or, in the event that no Investor Director is appointed, directly to any of the Investors) who will consult with the other investors and will advise the Company and the Executive of the decision of the Investors. Any written consent or approval given by the Investor Majority to the Company will be legally binding on all the Investors. The Company shall send a copy of all requests by the Company for the consent, approval or agreement of the Investors to all Investors at the same time as they are made to any one of them.

2 SHARE CAPITAL

- 2.1 The issued share capital of the Company at the date of adoption of these Articles is £624.01 divided into 60,401 Ordinary Shares and 2,000 Growth Shares.
- 2.2 The Ordinary Shares shall be treated *pari passu* in all respects.

3 VOTING, DIVIDENDS AND RETURN OF CAPITAL

3.1 Voting

Each holder of Ordinary Shares shall be entitled to receive notice of and to attend and speak at any general meeting of the Company. Subject to Article 7.13.1 (as applicable), the voting rights of each holder of Ordinary Shares who (being an individual) is present in person or by proxy or (being a body corporate) is present by a duly authorised representative or by proxy shall be as follows: (i) on a show of hands, each holder of Ordinary Shares shall have one vote; (ii) on a poll, the holder of each Ordinary Share shall be entitled to one vote per Ordinary Share held. The Growth Shares shall not be entitled to receive notice of and to attend and speak at any general meeting of the Company nor have any right to vote on any matter requiring a resolution of the Shareholders.

3.2 Dividends

Any distributable profits which the Company determines to distribute in respect of any Financial Year shall, subject to the approval of a general meeting be applied in distributing such profits amongst the holders of the Ordinary Shares and the Growth Shares then in issue (*pari passu* according to the number of such Ordinary Shares and Growth Shares held by them). Model Articles 30 and 34 shall be construed accordingly.

3.3 Return of Capital

On a return of capital (on liquidation or capital reduction or otherwise) the surplus assets of the Company remaining after the payment of its liabilities ("**Capital Proceeds**") shall be applied (to the extent that the Company is lawfully permitted to do so):

- 3.3.1 first, in paying an amount of Capital Proceeds up to and including the Capital Hurdle, to the holders of Ordinary Shares and Growth Shares in the following proportions:
 - 3.3.2 0.01% to the holders of Growth Shares pro rata to the number of Growth Shares held; and
 - 3.3.3 99.99% to the holders of the Ordinary Shares pro rata to the number of Ordinary Shares held,
- 3.3.4 thereafter, in paying any amount of Capital Proceeds in excess of the Capital Hurdle, to the holders of Ordinary Shares and Growth Shares pro rata (as if the Ordinary Shares and the Growth Shares constituted one and the same class) to the aggregate number of Ordinary Shares and Growth Shares.

4 ALLOTMENT OF SHARES

- 4.1 Subject to the further terms of these Articles, and save in respect of an Approved Issue, the Directors shall not allot any Shares unless notice in writing is given to each holder of Equity Shares specifying the number and classes of Shares which are proposed to be issued, the consideration payable on the Shares, and any other material terms or conditions of the proposed issue. Each holder of Equity Shares shall be entitled to subscribe for Shares in proportion (as nearly as may be) to their existing holdings of Shares ("Proportionate Entitlement"). It shall be open to each such holder of Equity Shares to specify if such holder is willing to subscribe for Shares in excess of such holder's Proportionate Entitlement ("Additional Shares") and, if the holder of Equity Shares does so specify, such holder shall state the number of Additional Shares.
- 4.2 The notice specified in Article 4.1 shall invite each holder of Equity Shares to state, in writing within 10 Business Days from the date of such notice whether such holder will subscribe for any Shares, and if so, how many Shares.
- 4.3 Within 3 Business Days of the expiry of the invitation made pursuant to the notice given under Article 4.1 the Board shall allocate the Shares in the following manner:
 - 4.3.1 if the total number of Shares applied for is equal to or less than the available number of Shares to be issued the Board shall allocate the number applied for in accordance with the applications and may dispose of any Shares not accepted by the shareholders in such manner as they think most beneficial to the Company provided that such Shares shall not be disposed of on terms that are more favourable to the allottee than the terms on which they were offered under this Article 4; or
 - 4.3.2 if the total number of Shares applied for is more than the available number of Shares to be issued, each holder of Equity Shares shall be allocated such holder's Proportionate Entitlement (or such lesser number of Shares to be issued for which such holder may have applied) and applications for Additional Shares shall be allocated in accordance with such applications or, in the event of competition, to each holder of Equity Shares willing to

subscribe for Additional Shares in proportion (as nearly as may be) to the proportion which the Shares held by a holder of Equity Shares bear to the total number of Shares held by all holders of Equity Shares applying for Additional Shares provided that any such holder shall not be allocated more Additional Shares than such holder shall have stated it is willing to take.

4.4 Sections 561 and 562(1) to (5) of the Act do not apply.

4.5 The pre-emption rights set out in Articles 4.1 to 4.3 shall be capable of being disapplied by special resolution, subject to having received Investor Consent to such disapplication.

5 TRANSFER OF SHARES: GENERAL

5.1 Subject to the provisions of Article 6, no transfer of any Share shall be made or registered unless such transfer:

5.1.1 complies with the provisions of these Articles;

5.1.2 complies with the Investment Agreement;

5.1.3 has been approved by the Directors (such approval to include the consent of any Investor Directors appointed and, for the avoidance of doubt, if none is appointed, the approval of the Investor Majority); and

5.1.4 the transferee has first entered into a deed of adherence in agreed form.

5.2 Any Shares offered to any member of the Scottish Enterprise Group (whether as a result of a proposed transfer of Shares or allotment of Shares) shall, at the request of Scottish Enterprise Group be registered in the name or names of any one or more members of the Scottish Enterprise Group (in the case of the Scottish Enterprise Group).

5.3 The Growth Shares shall not be transferrable except with the prior written consent of the Board with Investor Consent.

6 PERMITTED TRANSFERS

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other Article, the transfers set out in this Article 6 shall be permitted without restriction and the provisions of Articles 7 (Voluntary Transfers) and 8 (Drag Along and Tag Along) shall have no application.

6.1 Permitted transfers by bodies corporate

Any Investor who is a body corporate may transfer any of its Shares (without restriction as to price or otherwise) to any other body corporate which is for the time being in its Group (each such body corporate being a "Related Company") but if a Related Company shall cease to be a Related Company it shall, within 15 Business Days of so ceasing, transfer the Shares held by it to such body first holding the relevant Shares or any Related Company of such body and failing such transfer the shareholder shall be deemed to have given a Transfer Notice pursuant to Article 9.

6.2 Permitted Transfers by individuals

Any shareholder who is an individual may transfer any Shares (without restriction as to price or otherwise) to a Family Member of that shareholder or to a Trust established for the benefit of the shareholder or his/her Family Members provided that if the Family Member ceases to be a Family Member they shall, within 15 Business Days of so ceasing, transfer the shares held by them to the original shareholder and

failing such transfer the Family Member shall be deemed to have given a Transfer Notice pursuant to Article 9.

6.3 Permitted Transfers by Scottish Enterprise

Notwithstanding any other provision contained in these Articles or the Investment Agreement, the Board shall register the transfer of any Shares made from any member of the Scottish Enterprise Group to any other member of the Scottish Enterprise Group (without restriction as to price or otherwise).

6.4 Permitted Transfers by all Shareholders

6.4.1 Subject to Article 5.3, any shareholder may at any time transfer all or any of his Shares to any other person with the prior written consent of those shareholders who together hold not less than 80% of the entire issued share capital of the Company provided for the avoidance of doubt that any such transfer which would trigger the application of Article 8.1 (Tag Along) shall continue to be subject to the provisions of Articles 8.1 to 8.6 (inclusive); and

6.4.2 Any Shares may be transferred pursuant to Article 8 (Drag Along and Tag Along).

7 VOLUNTARY TRANSFERS

7.1 Except as permitted under Article 6 any Seller who wishes to transfer Shares shall give notice in writing (the "Transfer Notice") to the Company of his wish specifying:

7.1.1 the number of Shares (the "Sale Shares") which he wishes to transfer;

7.1.2 if he wishes to transfer the Sale Shares to a third party, the name of the third party;

7.1.3 the price at which he wishes to transfer the Sale Shares (the "Transfer Price"); and

7.1.4 whether the Transfer Notice is conditional on all, or a specific number, of the Sale Shares being sold in which case no Sale Shares can be sold unless offers are received for all or the minimum number (as applicable) of the Sale Shares.

7.2 Where any Transfer Notice is deemed to have been given in accordance with Article 9 all the Shares registered in the name of the Seller shall be included for transfer, and the provisions of Article 7.1.4 shall not apply.

7.3 Once given, a Transfer Notice or Deemed Transfer Notice may not be withdrawn unless the Seller is obliged to procure the making of an offer under Articles 8.1 to 8.6 and is unable to procure the making of such an offer, it is permitted under Article 7.6 or the Investor Majority approves such withdrawal. In the event of a Transfer Notice being withdrawn the Seller shall bear all costs relating to such Transfer Notice or Deemed Transfer Notice.

7.4 The Transfer Notice shall constitute the Directors the agents of the Seller for the sale of the Sale Shares at the Transfer Price. As soon as reasonably practicable following receipt by the Company of a Transfer Notice the Directors shall give notice to all shareholders of the Company (other than the Sellers) inviting them to notify the Company in writing within 15 Business Days from the date of such offer (the "First Offer Period") confirming: (i) if he/it requires the Sale Shares to be valued; and (ii) if he/it does not, the maximum number of Sale Shares they wish to purchase at the Transfer Price.

7.5 If before the expiry of the First Offer Period any shareholder confirms in writing that he/it requires the Sale Shares to be valued in accordance with Article 7.4, the Directors shall instruct the Auditors to undertake a valuation in accordance with Article 10.

- 7.6 Within 7 Business Days of receipt of the Fair Value Certificate (as defined in Article 10) the Directors shall send a copy of such Certificate to the Seller and (other than in the case of a Deemed Transfer Notice) the Seller shall be entitled to revoke the Transfer Notice by notice in writing to the Directors within 7 days of receipt.
- 7.7 If the Transfer Notice is not revoked by the Seller or, in the case of a Deemed Transfer Notice, once the Fair Value has been determined in accordance with Article 10, the Directors shall give notice to all of the shareholders (other than the Seller) confirming the value of the Sale Shares as determined in accordance with Article 10 (which shall be the Transfer Price) inviting them to notify the Company in writing within 15 Business Days from the date of such notice (the "Second Offer Period") confirming the maximum number of Sale Shares they wish to purchase.
- 7.8 It shall be open to each shareholder to specify if he is willing to purchase Sale Shares in excess of his Proportionate Entitlement (as defined in Article 4.1) ("Excess Sale Shares") and, if the shareholder does so specify, he shall state the number of Excess Sale Shares.
- 7.9 Within 3 Business Days of the expiry of the First Offer Period or Second Offer Period (as appropriate) the Board shall allocate the Sale Shares in the following manner:
- 7.9.1 if the total number of Sale Shares applied for is equal to or less than the available number of Sale Shares the Company shall, subject to Article 7.1.4, allocate the number applied for in accordance with the applications; or
- 7.9.2 if the total number of Sale Shares applied for is more than the available number of Sale Shares, each shareholder shall be allocated his Proportionate Entitlement (or such lesser number of Sale Shares for which he may have applied) and applications for Excess Sale Shares shall be allocated in accordance with such applications or, in the event of competition, as nearly as may be to the proportion which Shares held by a shareholder bear to the total number of Shares held by all shareholders applying for Excess Sale Shares provided that any shareholder shall not be allocated more Excess Sale Shares than he/it shall have stated himself willing to take;
- and in either case the Company shall forthwith give notice of each such allocation (an "Allocation Notice") to the Seller and each of the persons to whom Sale Shares have been allocated (a "Member Applicant") and shall specify in the Allocation Notice the place and time (being not later than 10 Business Days after the date of the Allocation Notice) at which the sale of the Sale Shares shall be completed.
- 7.10 Subject to Article 7.11 the Seller shall be bound, on payment of the Transfer Price, to transfer the Sale Shares comprised in the Allocation Notice to the Member Applicants free from any lien, charge or encumbrance. If the Seller makes default in so doing any Director shall forthwith be deemed to be the duly appointed attorney of the Seller with full power to execute, complete and deliver a transfer of the relevant Sale Shares and any Director may receive and give a good discharge for the purchase money on behalf of the Seller and (subject to the transfer being duly stamped) enter the name of the Member Applicant in the register of members. The Board shall forthwith pay the Transfer Price into a separate bank account in the Company's name and shall hold such money on trust (but without interest) for the Seller until he shall deliver up his certificate(s) for the relevant Shares (or an indemnity in respect of any lost certificate) to the Company when he shall thereupon be paid the Transfer Price.
- 7.11 If the provisions of Article 7.1.4 apply or where any Transfer Notice is deemed to have been given in accordance with these Articles and if the total number of Shares applied for by Member Applicants is less than the number of Sale Shares the Directors may within 7 days of the date of the Allocation Notice determine (with the approval of any Investor Director) that the Company shall (if it is permitted to do so under the Act) purchase some or all of the Sale Shares. The Directors shall have a period of 60 days from

the date of any such determination by the Directors to obtain any necessary consents and authorities for any such purchase by the Company and to complete the purchase by the Company of the Sale Shares.

- 7.12 In the event of all of the Sale Shares not being sold under the preceding paragraphs of this Article 7 the Seller may, at any time within 3 months after receiving confirmation from the Company that the provisions herein contained have been exhausted, transfer all the Sale Shares (if Article 7.1.4 does apply) or any Sale Shares which have not been sold (if Article 7.1.4 does not apply) to any person or persons at any price not less than the Transfer Price.
- 7.13 The holders of any Shares which are subject of a Transfer Notice or Deemed Transfer Notice shall be entitled to receive notice of and attend general meetings of the Company but shall have no right to:
- 7.13.1 vote in respect of the Sale Shares; or
- 7.13.2 participate in any offer of Shares from any other member in accordance with these Articles; and

Model Article 37 shall be modified accordingly.

8 DRAG ALONG AND TAG ALONG

Tag along

- 8.1 If in one or a series of related transactions, one or more Sellers propose to transfer any Shares to an arms' length purchaser (who is not an Existing Shareholder or an Investor) for value which would, if completed, result in the transferee together with persons acting in concert or connected with that transferee obtaining a Controlling Interest, the Seller or Sellers shall (unless such transfer is a transfer to a Permitted Transferee) before making such transfer ensure that they have received Investor Consent to the proposed transaction and procure that the proposed transferee of the Seller's Shares makes a Tag Along Offer to all of the shareholders.
- 8.2 The Tag Along Offer shall set out:
- 8.2.1 the identity of the purchaser of the Shares referred to in Article 8.1;
- 8.2.2 the purchase price ("Tag Along Price") including the calculation of any element not payable in cash and other terms and conditions of payment;
- 8.2.3 the proposed date of sale; and
- 8.2.4 the number of Shares proposed to be purchased.
- 8.3 The Tag Along Offer shall be given by written notice at least 30 Business Days before the proposed sale date.
- 8.4 Every shareholder, on receipt of a Tag Along Offer, shall be bound within 15 Business Days of the date of such offer (which date shall be specified therein) (the "Offer Period") either to accept or reject such offer in writing (and in default of so doing shall be deemed to have rejected the offer). If a Tag Along Offer is not made the Seller or Sellers shall not be entitled to complete the proposed sale and the Board shall not register any transfer to effect the sale.
- 8.5 If the Tag Along Offer is accepted by any shareholder within the Offer Period, the completion of the proposed transfer shall be conditional upon the purchase of all the Shares held by such accepting shareholders.

- 8.6 In the event of disagreement as to the calculation of the Tag Along Price such shall be referred to the Auditors for determination applying the terms of Article 10 *mutatis mutandis*.

Drag along

- 8.7 If the holders of at least 80% of the Shares including an Investor Majority (in this Article 8 the “Dragging Shareholders”) wish to transfer their Shares in the Company to a bona fide arms length purchaser (the “Buyer”), then the Dragging Shareholders can require all of the other shareholders (and any persons who would become shareholders upon exercise of any options or other rights to subscribe for shares which exist at the date of the Offer) (the “Called Shareholders”) to sell and transfer all of their Shares in the Company to the Buyer (or as the Buyer directs) by giving notice to that effect (the “Drag Along Notice”) to such Called Shareholders, such Drag Along Notice to be served not less than 30 Business Days prior to the proposed completion of the transfer of Shares to the Buyer.
- 8.8 The Drag Along Notice shall specify:
- 8.8.1 that the Called Shareholders are required to transfer all their Shares free from all liens, charges and encumbrances;
 - 8.8.2 the price (the “Drag Along Price”) including the calculation of any element not payable in cash at which such shares of the Company are proposed to be transferred which shall be a price per Share equal to that offered by the Buyer to the Dragging Shareholders;
 - 8.8.3 the identity of the Buyer; and
 - 8.8.4 the proposed date of the transfer.
- 8.9 Once issued, a Drag Along Notice shall be irrevocable. A Drag Along Notice shall lapse if, for any reason, the Dragging Shareholders have not sold their Shares to the Buyer within 30 Business Days of serving the Drag Along Notice. The Dragging Shareholders may serve further Drag Along Notices following the lapse of any particular Drag Along Notice.
- 8.10 The Called Shareholders shall be bound, on payment of the Drag Along Price to transfer the Called Shares in accordance with the Drag Along Notice at the time and place therein specified free from any lien, charge or encumbrance.
- 8.11 If the Called Shareholders (or any of them) shall make default in transferring their Shares pursuant to Article 8.10 the provisions of Article 7.9 (references therein to the Seller, Sale Shares, Allocation Notice and Member Applicant being read as references to the shareholder making such default, the Shares in respect of which such default is made, the Drag Along Notice and the Buyer respectively) shall apply to the transfer of such Shares.
- 8.12 In the event of disagreement as to the calculation of the Drag Along Price such shall be referred to the Auditors for determination applying the terms of Article 10 *mutatis mutandis*.

9 COMPULSORY TRANSFERS

- 9.1 A “Transfer Event” means:
- 9.1.1 where the shareholder is an individual going into sequestration, entering into a trust deed for creditors or similar voluntary arrangement, or his death;
 - 9.1.2 where the shareholder is a body corporate a receiver, manager or administrative receiver being appointed over all or any part of its undertaking or assets or entering into liquidation (other than a voluntary liquidation for the purposes of a bona fide scheme of solvent

amalgamation or reconstruction) or administration (including any provisional or interim appointment of an administrator or liquidator);

9.1.3 a shareholder becoming a Leaver;

9.1.4 a shareholder attempting to deal with or dispose of any Share or any interest in it or purporting to make a transfer otherwise than in accordance with these Articles; or

9.1.5 a shareholder (other than Scottish Enterprise) undergoing a Change of Control;

unless in any of the above events the Investor Majority notify the Company that such event is not to be treated as a Transfer Event.

9.2 Upon the happening of any Transfer Event, the shareholder in question or any Permitted Transferee of such shareholder who has derived title to Shares from them shall be deemed to have been immediately given a Transfer Notice in respect of all the Shares then held by him/it (a "Deemed Transfer Notice"). A Deemed Transfer Notice shall supersede and cancel any then current Transfer Notice insofar as it relates to the same Shares except for Shares which have then been validly transferred pursuant to that Transfer Notice.

9.3 The Shares which are the subject of any Deemed Transfer Notice shall be offered for sale in accordance with Article 7 as if they were Sale Shares in respect of which a Transfer Notice had been given save that:

9.3.1 a Deemed Transfer Notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of the Transfer Event or, if later, the date upon which the Investor Majority becomes aware that the relevant event is a Transfer Event and has notified the Company that the relevant event is a Transfer Event;

9.3.2 subject to Article 9.4, the Sale Price shall be a price per Sale Share agreed between the Seller (or their executors or representatives) the Board and the Investor Majority or, in default of agreement, within 14 Business Days after the date of the Transfer Event, the Fair Value;

9.3.3 the provisions of Article 7.1.4 shall not apply to a Deemed Transfer Notice; and

9.3.4 the Sale Shares shall be sold together with all rights attaching thereto as at the date of the Transfer Event.

9.4 The Sale Price for any Sale Shares which are the subject of a Deemed Transfer Notice given as a consequence of a Transfer Event arising due to a shareholder being a Leaver shall:

9.4.1 if the shareholder is a Good Leaver be their Fair Value; and

9.4.2 if the shareholder is a Bad Leaver be the lower of their Fair Value and their Issue Price.

9.5 Article 9 shall not apply to the Investors (or any Permitted Transferee of the Investors) or to any Investor Directors.

9.6 In the event that prior to the transfer of his Shares but after ceasing to be an employee or Director of the Company, a Good Leaver is in breach of his restrictive covenants or obligations of confidentiality contained in his employment contract and/or service agreement ("Employment Breach"), the shareholder shall automatically be deemed to be a Bad Leaver and accordingly the Sale Price for any of his Sale Shares shall be the lower of the Fair Value and their Issue Price.

9.7 If in respect of a former shareholder whose Shares were the subject of a Deemed Transfer Notice by virtue of him being a Good Leaver and who is found, within 12 months after the transfer of his Shares, to have committed an Employment Breach such former shareholder shall be deemed to have been a Bad Leaver

and accordingly the Sale Price for the Shares formerly held by such shareholder shall be retrospectively adjusted to the lower of the Fair Value and Issue Price in respect of his Sale Shares. In such circumstances, the former shareholder shall pay the Company on demand such sum as represents the difference between the amount paid to him in respect of his former Shares as a Good Leaver and the amount which would have been paid to him as a Bad Leaver. Where the Company has not been the transferee of the former Shareholders' Shares, it shall act as agent for, and reimburse (upon receipt from the former Shareholder) to, the transferee Shareholder, the difference in the price paid by such transferee Member to the former Shareholder in respect of the Sale Shares as appropriate.

- 9.8 In the event of a dispute as to whether a Leaver is a Good Leaver or a Bad Leaver, such dispute shall not affect the validity of a Deemed Transfer Notice but any person who acquires Sale Shares (the "Purchaser") pursuant to a Deemed Transfer Notice while such a dispute is ongoing shall pay to the Seller (the "Seller") a sum equal to their Issue Price (or Fair Value, if lower) and, at the discretion of the Board, shall pay such amount representing the difference between the Fair Value of the Shares as determined pursuant to Article 10 and the Issue Price in respect of such Shares to the Company. The Company shall hold that amount in a separate bank deposit account as trustee to pay it, and all interest earned thereon, upon final determination of the dispute as to whether or not the relevant shareholder is a Good Leaver or a Bad Leaver as follows:-

9.8.1 to the Purchaser in the case of the relevant shareholder being a Bad Leaver; and

9.8.2 to the Seller in the case of the relevant shareholder being a Good Leaver.

subject always to the Seller and the Purchaser agreeing otherwise prior to the determination of whether the Leaver is a Good Leaver or a Bad Leaver being finalised.

- 9.9 Notwithstanding any other Article, in the event of the Founder becoming a Leaver and (i) he becomes a Leaver as a result of circumstances which would justify a Summary Dismissal, or (ii) he is in breach of his restrictive covenants or obligations of confidentiality contained in the Investment Agreement or his service contract or any settlement agreement with the Company, then the Founder shall automatically be deemed to have given a Deemed Transfer Notice in respect of 100% of his Shares and the Sale Price for those Shares shall be nominal value.

- 9.10 Notwithstanding any other Article, this Article 9 shall not apply in respect of any Shares (not being Growth Shares) for which a Shareholder has paid full value on acquisition of such Shares.

10 **FAIR VALUE**

- 10.1 If the Auditors are required to determine the price at which Shares are to be transferred pursuant to these Articles, such price shall be the amount the Auditors shall, on the application of the Board (which application shall be made as soon as practicable following the time it becomes apparent that a valuation is required), give their written opinion as to the price which represents a fair value for such Shares as between a willing seller and a willing buyer as at the date the Transfer Notice or Deemed Transfer Notice is given. The Directors shall instruct the Auditors to produce a certificate stating such value ("Fair Value Certificate") within 20 Business Days of being requested to do so.

- 10.2 In making such determination, the Auditors shall not take any account of whether the Sale Shares comprise a majority or a minority interest in the Company nor the fact that transferability is restricted by these Articles but account shall be taken of the effect of the relevant shareholder ceasing to be an employee, Director or consultant of the Company.

- 10.3 The Auditors shall act as experts and not as arbiters and their decision shall be conclusive and binding on the Company and all shareholders (in the absence of fraud or manifest error).

- 10.4 In the event that the Auditors decline to accept an instruction to provide a valuation, then the price will be determined by a firm of independent chartered accountants, such accountants to be appointed by the Company with Investor Consent.
- 10.5 The Auditors' costs in making any determination referred to them under this Article 10 shall (other than as specifically prescribed in these Articles) be borne by the Company unless the Auditors shall otherwise determine provided that if a Seller revokes a Transfer Notice in accordance with Article 7.6 such costs shall be borne by the Seller.
- 11 GENERAL MEETINGS**
- 11.1 No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum of shareholders is present. Three Shareholders including an Investor present in person, by proxy or by duly authorised representative (if a corporation), shall be the quorum at any general meeting.
- 11.2 A notice convening a general meeting (other than an adjourned meeting) must be called by at least 14 days' notice but a general meeting can be called by shorter notice if it is so agreed by the shareholders in accordance with the Act. The notice must state the time, date and place of the meeting and the general nature of the business to be dealt with at the meeting and shall be given in accordance with the Act.
- 11.3 The Company may send a notice of meeting by making it available on a website or by sending it in electronic form and if notice is sent in either way it will be valid provided it complies with the relevant provision of the Act.
- 12 APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS, INVESTOR DIRECTORS AND OBSERVERS**
- 12.1 Any Director shall only be appointed in accordance with the terms of this Article 12 and Model Article 17.1 (as modified by this Article 12).
- 12.2 For so long as any of them continue to hold Shares Donald Houston, John Brownlie (acting for himself and on behalf of the JB Shareholders) and Neil McQueen (acting for himself and on behalf of the McQueen Shareholders) acting together shall be entitled at any time to appoint one person as a Director of the Company (and in their absolute discretion as a Director of any other member(s) of the Group and/or as members of each and any committee of the Company or any other member of the Group) who shall be designated as the Other Investor Director for the purposes of these Articles. The removal of any Other Investor Director so appointed shall be made by notice in writing from Donald Houston, John Brownlie (acting for himself and on behalf of the JB Shareholders) and Neil McQueen (acting for himself and on behalf of the McQueen Shareholders) acting together to the Company.
- 12.3 For so long as they continue to hold Shares Scottish Enterprise shall be entitled at any time to appoint one person as a Director of the Company (and in their absolute discretion as a Director of any other member(s) of the Group and/or as members of each and any committee of the Company or any other member of the Group) who shall be designated as the SE Investor Director for the purposes of these Articles. The removal of any SE Investor Director so appointed shall be made by notice in writing from Scottish Enterprise to the Company.
- 12.4 In the absence of any Investor Director holding office at the relevant time, any provision in these Articles requiring the prior consent, approval or agreement of the Investor Director(s) shall be deemed instead to refer to an Investor Majority.
- 12.5 An Investor Director may only be removed upon the determination of either (i) Donald Houston, John Brownlie (acting for himself and on behalf of the JB Shareholders) and Neil McQueen (acting for himself and on behalf of the McQueen Shareholders) acting together; or (ii) Scottish Enterprise pursuant to Article 12.2 or Article 12.3, as the case may be. A Director may only be removed in accordance with the terms of this Article 12 and the Model Articles (as amended).

- 12.6 The office of any Director shall be vacated if:
- 12.6.1 he shall, for whatever reason, cease to be employed by the Company or any Group Company (provided that this Article 12.6.1 shall not apply to any Investor Directors);
 - 12.6.2 (other than in the case of any Investor Director) he shall for more than six consecutive months have been absent without permission of the Directors from meetings of the Directors held during that period and the remaining Directors resolve that his office be vacated;
 - 12.6.3 other than in the case of any Investor Director or an Executive, the other Directors acting by majority for this purpose, determine that such Director shall be removed from the Board; or
 - 12.6.4 in any of the circumstances listed in Model Article 18.
- 12.7 Scottish Enterprise shall be entitled to, at their own expense and in addition to any right to participate in or appoint any Investor Directors, send a representative (who shall be entitled to report to any Investor on the affairs of the Company and its subsidiaries) as an Observer who will monitor the Investment and may attend and speak at (but not vote at) meetings of the Board.
- 12.8 For so long as any Investor Director is appointed, no Board meeting shall be quorate unless at least one of the Investor Directors is in attendance unless such Investor Director is unable to attend a Board meeting and has confirmed in writing (which may be by email) that he is satisfied that the Board meeting in question is quorate without him being present.
- 13 ALTERNATE DIRECTORS**
- 13.1 The appointment by any Investor Director of an alternate Director shall not be subject to approval by a resolution of the Board but the appointment of an alternate by any Director other than an Investor Director shall require such approval.
- 13.2 An alternate Director shall not be entitled to receive any remuneration from the Company, save that he may be paid by the Company 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.
- 13.3 A Director, or alternate Director, may act as an alternate Director for and represent more than one Director, and an alternate Director shall be entitled at any meeting of the Board (or of any committee of the Board) to one vote for every Director whom he represents (in addition to his own vote (if any) as a Director), but he shall count as only one for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present at any such meeting.
- 14 PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS**
- 14.1 The quorum for meetings of the Board shall be two Directors one of whom must be an Investor Director (if appointed) or his alternate unless such Investor Director is unable to attend a Board meeting and has confirmed in writing (which may be by email) that he is satisfied that the Board meeting in question is quorate without him being present. Model Article 11.2 shall be modified accordingly.
- 14.2 In the absence of any person holding the office of Investor Director, the quorum shall be one.
- 14.3 Model Articles 5.1 to 5.3 inclusive and 6.2 shall be modified by the insertion of the words “acting with Investor Consent” following each reference to “the Directors” in such Model Articles.
- 15 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**
- 15.1 The Directors may, in accordance with the requirements set out in this article, authorise any matter or situation proposed to them by any Director which would, if not authorised, involve a Director breaching his

duty under section 175 of the Act to avoid conflicts of interest which shall include without limitation, conflicts of interest and duty and conflicts of duty ("Conflict").

15.2 Any authorisation under this article will be effective only if:

15.2.1 the matter in question shall have been proposed by any Director for consideration at a meeting of Directors in the same way that any other matter may be proposed to the Directors under the provisions of these Articles or in such other manner as the Directors may determine;

15.2.2 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

15.2.3 the matter was agreed to without his voting or would have been agreed to if his vote had not been counted.

15.3 Any authorisation of a Conflict under this article may (whether at the time of giving the authorisation or subsequently):

15.3.1 extend to any actual or potential conflict of interest which may reasonably be expected to arise out of the matter so authorised;

15.3.2 be subject to such terms and for such duration, or impose such limits or conditions as the Directors may determine; and

15.3.3 be terminated or varied by the Directors at any time.

This will not affect anything done by the Director prior to such termination or variation in accordance with the terms of the authorisation.

15.4 In authorising a Conflict the Directors may decide (whether at the time of giving the authorisation or subsequently) that if a Director has obtained any information through his involvement in the Conflict otherwise than as a Director of the Company and in respect of which he owes a duty of confidentiality to another person, the Director is under no obligation to:

15.4.1 disclose such information to the Directors or to any Director or other officer or employee of the Company; or

15.4.2 use or apply any such information in performing his duties as a Director;

where to do so would amount to a breach of that confidence.

15.5 Where the Directors authorise a Conflict they may (whether at the time of giving the authorisation or subsequently) provide, without limitation, that the Director:

15.5.1 is excluded from discussions (whether at meetings of Directors or otherwise) related to the Conflict;

15.5.2 is not given any documents or other information relating to the Conflict; and

15.5.3 may or may not vote (or may or may not be counted in the quorum) at any future meeting of Directors in relation to any resolution relating to the Conflict.

15.6 Where the Directors authorise a Conflict:

- 15.6.1 the Director will be obliged to conduct himself in accordance with any terms imposed by the Directors in relation to the Conflict; and
- 15.6.2 the Director will not, by virtue of the Conflict, infringe any duty he owes to the Company pursuant to sections 171 to 177 of the Act provided he acts in accordance with such terms, limits and conditions (if any) as the Directors impose in respect of its authorisation.
- 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 he derives from or in connection with a relationship involving a Conflict which has been authorised by the Directors or by the Company in general meeting (subject in each case to any terms, limits or conditions attaching to that authorisation) and no contract shall be liable to be avoided on such grounds.

16 NOTICES

- 16.1 Any notice or other communication in connection with these Articles shall be in writing and may be delivered by hand, pre-paid first class post (or airmail if overseas) or (subject to the provisions below) by fax (but not by e-mail which shall be invalid other than as specifically permitted in these Articles), to the address or fax number of such party which the recipient has notified in writing to the sender, (to be received by the sender not less than 7 Business Days before the notice is despatched) in accordance with this Article 16 marked for the attention of the recipient provided that in the case of a notice or other communication being sent or delivered to Scottish Enterprise it must be marked for the attention of "The Head of the Transactions" (with a copy also being sent to "The Head of Portfolio Management") and must not be sent by fax and any such notice or other demand sent by fax shall be invalid.
- 16.2 The notice or communication will be deemed to have been duly served if delivered by hand, at the time of delivery and if delivered by first class post, 2 Business Days after being posted or, in the case of airmail, 6 Business Days after being posted; if delivered by fax, when confirmation on completion of its transmission has been recorded by the sender's fax machine provided that, where in the case of delivery by hand or transmission by fax, such delivery or transmission occurs either after 4.00 pm on a Business Day, or on a day other than a Business Day, service will be deemed to occur at 9.00 am on the next following Business Day.
- 16.3 The Investors other than Scottish Enterprise confirm that notices or other communications to be served upon them will be sent to them at the addresses marked for the attention of such persons so nominated by a shareholder for this purpose from time to time.
- 16.4 For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, where the approval of the Investor Majority or any of the Investors or any of the Investors' Directors is required by the Company, then such approval may be validly sent and requested by email other than requests sent to Scottish Enterprise, which must be served in writing in accordance with the terms of this Article 16.

17 SCOTTISH ENTERPRISE VOTING

- 17.1 Subject to Article 17.3, in the event that as a result of the buyback, redemption, conversion, cancellation, forfeiture of any shares or the disenfranchisement of voting rights of any part of the share capital of the Company (or any other event having similar effect), the rights attributable to Scottish Enterprise (and/or the Scottish Enterprise Group) pursuant to these Articles would otherwise operate in such a manner as to give Scottish Enterprise (and/or the Scottish Enterprise Group) control of the exercise of 30% or more of the votes at a General Meeting of the Company (a "Trigger Event"), the voting rights of Scottish Enterprise (and / or any member of the Scottish Enterprise Group) applicable to their shareholding on any resolution proposed at a General Meeting or on any written resolution shall be deemed to be restricted to 29.9% of the votes cast on any poll or on any written resolution and the votes cast by any other holder of voting shares shall be deemed to be proportionately increased such that the aggregate voting rights of all other holders of voting shares for the purpose of any vote shall equal 70.1%.

- 17.2 The Company shall give notice to Scottish Enterprise immediately upon becoming aware of the occurrence or anticipated occurrence of any event which could reasonably be expected to constitute a Trigger Event.
- 17.3 The operation of Article 17.1 may be cancelled or suspended at any time or times either prior to the occurrence of any Trigger Event or subsequent to such provisions taking effect by Scottish Enterprise (and/or the Scottish Enterprise Group) in its sole discretion providing written notice to the Company of its intention to cancel or suspend the operation of Article 17.1. Immediately upon receipt of such notice, the provisions of Article 17.1 shall be suspended or cancelled accordingly. Votes taken by the Company during the period of operation of any such suspension or cancellation shall not be affected by any such suspension or cancellation.
- 17.4 Notice given by Scottish Enterprise (and/or the Scottish Enterprise Group) in terms of Article 17.3 shall be given by the Company to all shareholders whose rights to vote are affected by the operation of such Article.