

Ansa Environmental Services Ltd (Ansa)
Minutes of Board Meeting on Thursday, 17th March 2022 at 2pm
Microsoft Teams

Present:

Kevin Melling, Managing Director	KM
Cllr Steve Hogben, Chairman	SH
Cllr Arthur Moran, Director	AM
Jane Thomason, Deputy MD	JT
Tracy Baldwin, Group Finance Manager	TB
Melanie Henniker, Director HR & Corporate Services	MH
Josh Black, Employee Representative	JB

Other attendees:

Megan Bowyer PA to MD (Minutes)	MB
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Apologies:

Cllr Mike Hunter, Director	MHu
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Agenda Item	Notes	Action
1.	Cllr Steve Hogben chaired the meeting; he reported that due notice had been given and that a quorum was present. He declared the meeting open.	
2	Declaration of conflicts of interest KM advised that should any matters be discussed regarding TSS he has an interest although he is no longer a director.	
3	Previous Minutes and Matters Arising 3.1 Previous Minutes The Minutes of the board meeting on 17 th February 2022 were accepted as being a true and accurate record, except for a typing error in item 3.1 which should have read January 2022 and not 2021. 3.2 Matters Arising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KM confirmed he will produce the briefing note requested in due course when the MRF procurement has progressed, and further information is available. • TB confirmed that the S106 debt has now been cleared. • An H&S performance report is being produced quarterly and sent to the CE Health and Safety manager for review. • Middlewich Junior Cricket Club and Queens Jubilee Event sponsorship – both organisations have received the funding requested and expressed their thanks. • There was a brief discussion re the forthcoming publication of the board minutes, and all confirmed they were content with the proposals. 	
4	H R Updates a) Middlewich Rose Fete and Children’s Festival 2022 Sponsorship MH requested formal confirmation of the email sanction from the directors .	

	<p>Board resolution –formal confirmation was received to support the fete and festival by taking the platinum package. Action MH to advise the organisers.</p> <p>b) Middlewich Heritage Request KM reported that he had received a request from the Middlewich Heritage Trust for sponsorship for the official opening of the restored Murgatroyd’s Brine Pumps on Brooks Lane. We are keen to support the local community and would like to work with them. Board Resolution – it was resolved to sanction the Middlewich Heritage Trust’s sponsorship request. Action PAs to confirm funding to Middlewich Heritage</p> <p>c) Macclesfield’s Mayoral Charity KM reported that as part of recent discussions it was mentioned that the mayor would like to arrange a market to raise funds for his charity. He considered that the cost quoted for arranging the market was prohibitively expensive so could we consider an alternative option to make the event viable. AM and SH delegated this to KM to resolve. Action KM</p> <p>d) Ukraine DEC Support All directors were supportive of a donation from Ansa being made. A discussion followed about the amount and whether there were other things we could do to support. It was agreed that the current priority was to get the monies in the right hands as soon as possible. Employees would be keen to support the appeal and Ukrainian refugees and it was decided that KM would ask them for ideas of what they would like to do when he holds his employee briefings next week– Action KM.</p> <p>Board resolution – it was resolved to donate to the Ukrainian DEC Support charity.</p>	<p>MH</p> <p>MB/KP</p> <p>KM</p> <p>KM</p>
5	<p>Finance TB provided information showing the expected outturn for the current year together with details of arrangements for future years’ management fee. She explained that there were financial pressures expected in future years due to Covid legacy effects and market conditions. These have been highlighted to the Council and will be monitored closely.</p>	
6	<p>TSS transfer to Ansa</p> <p>KM shared a briefing note regarding the TUPE transfer of c 50 employees from TSS as of 1st April 2022 and the creation of Ansa Transport. He advised that the lawyers are currently finalising a deed of variation to the Ansa contract.</p> <p>Board Resolution – it was resolved by the board to approve the recommendations 1-3 in the report and delegate authority to the Managing Director and Senior Leadership Team to finalise arrangements and conclude the transfer of services from TSS to Ansa inclusive of TUPE transfer provisions for transferring employees.</p> <p>TB left the meeting</p>	
7	<p>Operational Performance</p>	

	JT advised that Covid pressures have eased and at present operations are running as normal. A fuller report will be brought to the April meeting.	
8	<p>Employee Rep</p> <p>MH announced that this is JB's last meeting. A Waste Loader has been successful in an employee ballot to replace JB, and he will join the board at their next meeting. JB thanked the board for the opportunity. SH thanked JB on behalf of the board and said it was good to hear how well his career has progressed with Ansa. He wished him all the very best for the future.</p>	
9	<p>AOB</p> <p>1. Ratification of Audit Committee Actions The minutes of the Audit Committee on 18th February 2022 were shared with the board with a request to ratify the decisions and actions contained therein. Board resolution – it was resolved to formally ratify the decisions and actions of the Audit Committee meeting of 18th February 2022.</p> <p>2. Ansa Aces and Long Service Awards – MB advised the three dates in May that are in diaries for these awards. It was agreed that instead of holding the May board meeting on 17th May, this should be moved to the morning of one of the events on 20th May. Action PAs to make the necessary arrangements</p> <p>3. Queens Green canopy. MH reported that as part of the Queen's jubilee year the Queen requested people to consider planting a tree, hence the reference to a 'green canopy'. Ansa, with permission, intends to erect four trees as part of the celebrations. One will be planted at St Michael's Church at Middlewich and three at the Environmental Hub. All will be marked on the Queen's Green canopy map.</p>	MB/KP

The meeting closed at 4.25pm. Next meeting to be held on 19th April 2022.