

SHAREHOLDER CABINET COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 5
9 November 2020	PUBLIC REPORT

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NPS PETERBOROUGH PLAN

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: <i>Enter who – e.g. Scrutiny Committee, Director, Cabinet, Cabinet Members</i>	Deadline date: <i>N/a</i>
It is recommended that the Shareholder Cabinet Committee notes the contents of the report.	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is submitted to Shareholders Committee as part of its normal programme of works.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with the NPS Peterborough Business Plan and strategic overview of how the business supports Peterborough City Council.

The attached slides provide additional background information as requested by the Committee in March 2020.

- 2.2 This report is for Peterborough City Council Shareholder Cabinet Committee to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.3.2 (a), *'To monitor performance and financial delivery of the companies, partnerships and charities set out above in line with Cabinet approved business plans by means of monthly performance monitoring and scrutiny'*.

- 2.3 The attached presentation documents how NPS Peterborough Ltd align its own strategy with the Council's long term Corporate Priorities, namely driving growth and economic regeneration; improving educational attainment and skills; and promote healthy, safe and cohesive communities.

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 4.1 NPS Peterborough Ltd is a 50/50 joint venture company owned by Peterborough City Council and the Norse Group (a wholly owned subsidiary of Norfolk County Council).

4.2 The objectives of the joint venture are to support the City Council's property aspirations through the delivery of its property estate functions and provide strategic asset management advice to support the City's growth and regeneration ambitions. The joint venture can also commission and provide other professional property services that support the Council's agenda.

4.3 As the joint venture evolved and Aragon Direct Services has come into effect, there has been criticism as to clarity of the different areas of responsibility between the 2 organisations. Whilst both organisations work closely together, communication to stakeholders could be greatly improved.

4.4 The annexed presentation seeks to address the areas of responsibility NPS Peterborough Ltd perform in the delivery of its strategy aligned to the Council's corporate priorities.

4.5 The annex also sets out the high level NPS Business plan for review for this year and delivery over the past 4 years.

5. CONSULTATION

5.1 None.

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

6.1 It is anticipated that the annexed document will provide the Committee members with a clearer understanding of the role NPS Peterborough plays in supporting the Council's objectives and aspirations

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

7.1 The Committee are asked to note the report and associated documents and raise any queries or comments.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

8.1 None.

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

9.1 The Council provides circa £1.2m income per annum to support the Core services outlined in the service level agreement. The JV has returned £473K in total over 4 years back to the Council in volume discount., exceeding business plan forecasts in years 2,3 & 4.

Other Implications

9.2 There are no legal, equalities, or carbon impact implications arising from this report.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

10.1 None.

11. APPENDICES

11.1 Appendix 1 - NPS Peterborough Ltd Business Plan 2020-21