

COMPANIES ACT 2006

WRITTEN RESOLUTION

Company number: 06467901

HNJV LIMITED

On 24 March 2016 the following written resolution was agreed and passed by the sole member as a special resolution

1 THAT

- 1 1 pursuant to section 551 of the Companies Act 2006, the directors be and are generally and unconditionally authorised to exercise all powers of the Company to allot shares in the Company up to an aggregate nominal amount of £3,201,000, comprising 3,200,000 preference shares of £1 00 and 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 00, having the respective rights set out in the new articles of association to be adopted pursuant to this resolution, provided that (unless previously revoked, varied or renewed) this authority shall expire on the date falling five years after the date on which this resolution is passed
- 1 2 Subject to the passing of resolution 1 1 and pursuant to section 570 of the Act, the directors be and are generally empowered to allot equity securities (within the meaning of section 560 of the Act) for cash pursuant to the authority granted by resolution 1 1 as if section 561 of the Act did not apply to any such allotment, and
- 1 3 the regulations contained in the document attached to this written resolution be approved and adopted as the articles of association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of the existing articles of association

Signed



C P Martin
Company Secretary

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Company No. 06467901

Articles of Association of HNJV Limited

Incorporated 9 January 2008
Adopted by written resolution passed on 24 March 2016

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THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

OF

HNJV LIMITED

Adopted by written resolution passed on 24 March 2016

1 PRELIMINARY

The regulations contained in Table A of The Companies (Tables A to F) Regulations 1985 as amended by The Companies (Tables A to F) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 (SI 2007/2541) and the Companies (Tables A to F) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 2007 (SI 2007/2826) ("Table A") shall not apply to the Company and these Articles alone shall constitute the regulations of the Company

The model articles of association for private companies limited by shares contained in Schedule 1 to The Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 in force on the date when these Articles become binding on the Company ("Model Articles") (a copy of which is annexed) apply to the Company except in so far as they are excluded or varied by these Articles

2 INTERPRETATION

2 1 In these Articles the following expressions have the following meanings unless inconsistent with the context:

"2006 Act" the Companies Act 2006 (as amended from time to time)

"these Articles" these Articles of Association as amended from time to time

"electronic means" a document or information sent initially and received at its destination by means of electronic equipment for the processing (which expression includes digital compression) or storage of data, and entirely transmitted, conveyed and received by wire, by radio, by optical means or by other electromagnetic means (as defined by section 1168 of the 2006

Act)

"eligible directors"

has the meaning given in Model Article 8(3)

"Majority Shareholder"

a shareholder or shareholders together holding a majority of the voting rights in the Company, or holding the right to appoint or remove a majority of its board of directors, or controlling alone, pursuant to an agreement with other members, a majority of the voting rights in it. (further supplementary explanation is found within paragraph (2) of Schedule 6 to the 2006 Act)

"Ordinary Share"

an ordinary share of £1 in the capital of the Company

"Preference Share"

a 2 per cent participating preference share of £1 in the capital of the Company

"Statutes"

the Companies Acts as defined in section 2 of the 2006 Act and every other statute, order, regulation or other subordinate legislation in force from time to time relating to companies and affecting the Company

"United Kingdom"

Great Britain and Northern Ireland

2 2 Unless the context otherwise requires, words or expressions contained in these Articles bear the same meaning as in the Statutes but excluding any statutory modification of the same not in force when these Articles become binding on the Company.

2 3 References to any statute or statutory provision include, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to that statute or statutory provision as modified, replaced, re-enacted or consolidated and in force from time to time and any subordinate legislation made under the relevant statute or statutory provision

3. UNANIMOUS DECISIONS OF DIRECTORS

A decision of the directors may take the form of a resolution in writing, where each eligible director has signed one or more copies of it, or to which each eligible director has otherwise indicated agreement in writing Model Article 8(2) shall not apply to the Company.

4 **DIRECTORS' MEETINGS**

4 1 The quorum necessary for the transaction of the business of the directors or of any Committee of the directors shall be one director or such other number as the directors may from time to time determine. Model Article 11(2) shall not apply

4 2 The following shall be added as paragraph (4) to Model Article 11:

"(4) If, as a consequence of section 175(6) of the 2006 Act, a director cannot vote or be counted in the quorum at a directors' meeting then the following shall apply:

(a) if the eligible directors participating in the meeting do not constitute a quorum then the quorum for the purposes of the meeting shall be reduced by one for each director who cannot vote or be counted in the quorum; and

(b) if despite sub-paragraph (a) the eligible directors participating in the meeting still do not constitute a quorum or there are no eligible directors then the meeting must be adjourned to enable the shareholders to authorise any situation in which a director has a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interests of the Company."

4 3 Model Article 9(4) shall not apply to the Company Where notice of a directors' meeting has not been received by a director, it shall not affect the validity of the meeting, or of any business conducted at it

5. **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS**

5.1 Subject to these Articles and the 2006 Act, and provided that he has disclosed to the directors the nature and extent of any interest of his, a director

5 1 1 may be a party to or otherwise interested in any transaction or arrangement with the Company or in which the Company is in any way interested;

5.1 2 may hold any other office or employment with the Company (other than the office of auditor);

5.1 3 may be a director or other officer of, or employed by, or be a party to any transaction or arrangement with or otherwise interested in any body corporate in which the Company is in any way interested,

5.1 4 may, or any firm or company of which he is a member or director may, act in a professional capacity for the Company or any body corporate in which the Company is in any way interested (other than as auditor); and/or

- 5.1.5 shall not be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he receives or profits made as a result of anything permitted by **Articles 5.1.1 to 5.1.4** and no such transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be avoided on the ground of any such interest or benefit.
- 5.2 Except for a vote under section 175(4) of the 2006 Act authorising any conflict of interest which a director or any other interested director may have (or where the terms of authorisation of such conflict provide that a director may not vote in situations prescribed by the directors when granting such authorisation), a director will be entitled to participate in the decision making process for voting and quorum purposes on any of the matters referred to in **Articles 5.1.1 to 5.1.4** and in any of the circumstances set out in Model Articles 14(3) and 14(4).
- 5.3 For the purposes of these Articles references to decision making process includes any directors' meeting or part of a directors meeting.
- 5.4 For the purposes of **Article 13.1**
- 5.4.1 a general notice given in accordance with the 2006 Act is to be treated as a sufficient declaration of interest;
- 5.4.2 a director is not required to declare an interest either where he is not aware of such interest or is not aware of the transaction or arrangement in question; and
- 5.4.3 an interest of a director who appoints an alternate director shall be treated as an interest of the alternate director
- 5.5 Model Articles 14(1), 14(2) and 14(5) shall not apply to the Company.

6. APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

In addition to the powers granted by Model Article 17(1), the Majority Shareholder may at any time, and from time to time, appoint any person to be a director, either as an additional director or to fill a vacancy and may remove from office any director however appointed. Any such appointment or removal shall be effected by notice in writing to the Company signed by the Majority Shareholder or, if the Majority Shareholder is a body corporate, signed by one of its directors or duly authorised officers or by its duly authorised attorney.

7. TERMINATION OF DIRECTOR'S APPOINTMENT

- 7.1 Directors who are appointed as non-executive directors shall, unless removed in accordance with **Article 6**, cease to be a director after a period of six years from the date of their appointment and shall tender their resignation with effect from this date. Directors subject to this article may be eligible for re-appointment as a director subject to approval by the directors.

- 7 2 In addition to the circumstances set out in Model Article 18 (a) to (f) (inclusive) and **Article 7.1**, a person ceases to be a director as soon as that person is removed from office as a director pursuant to **Article 6**

8. **DIRECTORS' PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES**

In addition to the provisions of Model Article 19(3)(b), the directors may exercise all the powers of the Company to give and provide pensions, annuities, gratuities or any other benefits whatsoever to or for present or former directors or employees (or their dependants) of the Company or any subsidiary undertaking (as defined in section 1162 of the 2006 Act) or associated undertaking (as defined in section 497(4) of the 2006 Act) of the Company and the directors shall be entitled to retain any benefits received by them or any of them by reason of the exercise of any such powers

9 **SHARES**

- 9 1 The Preference Shares shall have the following rights attached to them

9 1.1 Income

If the directors at their discretion so resolve, to receive a fixed preferential dividend at the rate of 2 per cent (net of the associated tax credit) per annum on the capital for the time being paid up or credited as paid up thereon including any premium, to be paid (to the extent there are profits available for distribution) annually on 31 March in each year in respect of the period of 12 months ended on that date, and

To participate with the holders of the Ordinary Shares, in proportion to the amounts (including premium) respectively paid up on the Ordinary Shares and Preference Shares, in all other distributions declared, made or paid by the Company

9.1.2 Capital

The right on winding up or other return of capital:

9 1 2.1 To repayment, in priority to any payment to the holders of any other shares in the capital of the Company, of the amounts paid up on the Preference Shares held by them including any premium, and of any dividend on the Preference Shares held by them, calculated down to the date of such repayment; and

9.1.2 2 To participate with the holders of the Ordinary Shares, in proportion to the amounts (including premium)

respectively paid up on the Ordinary Shares and Preference Shares, in such return of capital (following the making of the repayment referred to in item 9.1.2.1.

9.1.3 Voting

The holders of the Preference Shares shall have no right to vote at general meetings of the Company

- 9.2 The directors are prohibited from exercising any of the powers conferred upon them by section 550 of the 2006 Act except that for the purposes of section 551 of the 2006 Act, the directors are generally and unconditionally authorised to allot shares in the Company or to grant rights to subscribe for, or to convert any security into, shares in the Company up to a maximum nominal value of £3,201,000, provided that this authority shall expire 5 years after the adoption of these Articles, unless previously renewed, revoked or varied except that the Company may, before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which will or may require the allotment of shares or the grant of rights to subscribe for, or convert any security, into shares in the Company, after such expiry.

9.3 *Existing shareholders' rights of pre-emption excluded*

In accordance with section 567(1) and (2) of the 2006 Act which relate to the right by a private company to exclude the right of pre-emption on the allotment of shares, sections 561(1) and 562 (1) to (5) (inclusive) of that Act (relating to the existing shareholders' right of pre-emption, and the communication of pre-emption offers to shareholders) shall not apply to the Company.

- 9.4 No shares in the Company shall be allotted and no rights to subscribe for or convert any security into shares in the Company shall be granted without the prior consent in writing of the Majority Shareholder nor shall any share be issued at a discount or issued in breach of these Articles or the 2006 Act

10. **TRANSFER OF SHARES**

Model Article 26(5) shall be amended by the addition of the following words "The directors may not refuse to register the transfer of a share made with the prior written approval of the Majority Shareholder. In any other case" before the words "the directors may refuse to register"

11 **TRANSMITTEES BOUND BY PRIOR NOTICES**

Model Article 29 shall be amended by the insertion of the words ", or the name of any person nominated under Model Article 27(2), "after the words "the transmittee's name".

12. NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETINGS

Every notice convening a general meeting shall:

- 12.1 comply with section 325(1) of the 2006 Act as to giving information to shareholders relating to their right to appoint proxies, and
- 12.2 be given in accordance with section 308 of the 2006 Act, that is in hard copy form, electronic form or by means of a website.

13 PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

- 13.1 No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum is present. Subject to paragraph 13.2, two persons entitled to vote upon the business to be transacted, each being a member or a proxy for a member or a duly authorised representative of a corporation, shall be a quorum.

- 13.2 If and for so long as the Company has only one member, that Member present in person or by proxy or if that member is a corporation by a duly authorised representative shall be a quorum.

- 13.3 If a quorum is not present within half an hour of the time at which a general meeting is due to start or if, during a general meeting, a quorum ceases to be present the directors must adjourn it.

- 13.4 When adjourning the general meeting the directors must specify that the meeting is adjourned either

- 13.4.1 to the same day, place and time the following week, or

- 13.4.2 to another day, place and time to be decided by the directors

- 13.5 If a quorum is not present within half an hour of the time at which the adjourned meeting is due to start the shareholder or shareholders present in person or by proxy or by corporate representative and who are entitled to vote shall

- 13.5.1 constitute a quorum; and

- 13.5.2 have power to decide on all matters which could have been transacted at the meeting which was adjourned.

- 13.6 Model Article 41 shall not apply to the Company.

14. WRITTEN RESOLUTIONS

- 14.1 A written resolution, proposed in accordance with section 288(3) of the 2006 Act, will lapse if it is not passed before the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the circulation date
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- 14.2 For the purposes of this **Article 14** "circulation date" is the date on which copies of the written resolution are sent or submitted to shareholders or, if copies are sent or submitted on different days, to the first of those days

15. **COMPANY COMMUNICATION PROVISIONS**

15.1 Where:

15.1.1 a document or information is sent by post (whether in hard copy or electronic form) to an address in the United Kingdom; and

15 1 2 the Company is able to show that it was properly addressed, prepaid and posted,

it is deemed to have been received by the intended recipient 24 hours after it was posted.

15 2 Where

15.2.1 a document or information is sent or supplied by electronic means; and

15.2 2 the Company is able to show that it was properly addressed,

it is deemed to have been received by the intended recipient immediately after it was sent.

15 3 Where a document or information is sent or supplied by means of a website, it is deemed to have been received by the intended recipient

15 3 1 when the material was first made available on the website, or

15 3.2 if later, when the recipient received (or is deemed to have received) notice of the fact that the material was available on the website.

15 4 Pursuant to section 1147(6) of the 2006 Act, subsections (2) (3) and (4) of that section shall be deemed modified by **Articles 15.1, 15.2** and **15.3**.

15 5 Subject to any requirements of the 2006 Act, only such documents and notices as are specified by the Company may be sent to the Company in electronic form to the address specified by the Company for that purpose and such documents or notices sent to the Company are sufficiently authenticated if the identity of the sender is confirmed in the way the Company has specified

16 **COMPANY SEAL**

16 1 Unless otherwise decided by the directors, if the company has a common seal and it is affixed to a document, the document must also be signed by at least one authorised person.

16.2 For the purposes of this article, an authorised person is:

16.2.1 any director of the company;

16.2.2 the company secretary (if any), or

16.2.3 any person authorised by the directors for the purpose of signing documents to which the common seal is applied

16.3 Model Article 49, sub-sections (3) and (4) shall be modified accordingly.

17. **DIRECTORS' INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE**

17.1 Subject to, and so far as may be permitted by, the 2006 Act and without prejudice to any indemnity to which the person concerned may be otherwise entitled, the Company may indemnify every director, former director, alternate director, secretary or other officer of the Company or of any associated company (as defined in section 256 of the 2006 Act) against any liabilities incurred by him in the execution and discharge of his duties or the exercise of his powers or otherwise in relation to or in connection with his duties, powers or office, including any liability which may attach to him in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to anything done or omitted to be done or alleged to have been done or omitted to be done by him as a director, former director, alternate director, secretary or other officer of the Company or of any such associated company

17.2 Subject to the 2006 Act the directors may purchase and maintain at the cost of the Company insurance cover for or for the benefit of every director, former director, alternate director, secretary or other officer of the Company or of any associated company (as defined in section 256 of the 2006 Act) against any liability which may attach to him in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust by him in relation to the Company (or such associated company), including anything done or omitted to be done or alleged to have been done or omitted to be done by him as a director, former director, alternate director, secretary or other officer of the Company or associated company

17.3 Subject to, and so far as may be permitted by, the 2006 Act, the Company shall be entitled to fund the expenditure of every director, former director, alternate director or other officer of the Company incurred or to be incurred

17.3.1 in defending any criminal or civil proceedings; or

17.3.2 in connection with any application under sections 661(3), 661(4) or section 1157 of the 2006 Act.

17.4 Model Articles 52 and 53 shall not apply to the Company

18. **REGISTERED OFFICE**

The Company's registered office is to be situated in England and Wales

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Model Articles

2008 No. 3229

COMPANIES

The Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008

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SHARES

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PART 1

INTERPRETATION AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Defined terms

1 In the articles, unless the context requires otherwise-

"articles" means the company's articles of association;

"bankruptcy" includes individual insolvency proceedings in a jurisdiction other than England and Wales or Northern Ireland which have an effect similar to that of bankruptcy,

"chairman" has the meaning given in article 12,

"chairman of the meeting" has the meaning given in article 39;

"Companies Acts" means the Companies Acts (as defined in section 2 of the Companies Act 2006), in so far as they apply to the company;

"director" means a director of the company, and includes any person occupying the position of director, by whatever name called,

"distribution recipient" has the meaning given in article 31,

"document" includes, unless otherwise specified, any document sent or supplied in electronic form,

"electronic form" has the meaning given in section 1168 of the Companies Act 2006,

"fully paid" in relation to a share, means that the nominal value and any premium to be paid to the company in respect of that share have been paid to the company;

"hard copy form" has the meaning given in section 1168 of the Companies Act 2006;

"holder" in relation to shares means the person whose name is entered in the register of members as the holder of the shares,

"instrument" means a document in hard copy form,

"ordinary resolution" has the meaning given in section 282 of the Companies Act 2006,

"paid" means paid or credited as paid,

"participate", in relation to a directors' meeting, has the meaning given in article 10;

"proxy notice" has the meaning given in article 45,

"shareholder" means a person who is the holder of a share;

"shares" means shares in the company,

"special resolution" has the meaning given in section 283 of the Companies Act 2006;

"subsidiary" has the meaning given in section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006;

"transmittee" means a person entitled to a share by reason of the death or bankruptcy of a shareholder or otherwise by operation of law; and

"writing" means the representation or reproduction of words, symbols or other information in a visible form by any method or combination of methods, whether sent or supplied in electronic form or otherwise.

Unless the context otherwise requires, other words or expressions contained in these articles bear the same meaning as in the Companies Act 2006 as in force on the date when these articles become binding on the company

Liability of members

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

PART 2

DIRECTORS

DIRECTORS' POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Directors' general authority

- 3 Subject to the articles, the directors are responsible for the management of the company's business, for which purpose they may exercise all the powers of the company

Shareholders' reserve power

- 4
 - (1) The shareholders may, by special resolution, direct the directors to take, or refrain from taking specified action.
 - (2) No such special resolution invalidates anything which the directors have done before the passing of the resolution.

Directors may delegate

5.
 - (1) Subject to the articles, the directors may delegate any of the powers which are conferred on them under the articles

- (a) to such person or committee,
 - (b) by such means (including by power of attorney);
 - (c) to such an extent;
 - (d) in relation to such matters or territories; and
 - (e) on such terms and conditions,
- as they think fit

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

Committees

- 6 (1) Committees to which the directors delegate any of their powers must follow procedures which are based as far as they are applicable on those provisions of the articles which govern the taking of decisions by directors
- (2) The directors may make rules of procedure for all or any committees, which prevail over rules derived from the articles if they are not consistent with them.

DECISION-MAKING BY DIRECTORS

Directors to take decisions collectively

- 7 (1) The general rule about decision-making by directors is that any decision of the directors must be either a majority decision at a meeting or a decision taken in accordance with article 8
- (2) If
 - (a) the company only has one director, and
 - (b) no provision of the articles requires it to have more than one director,the general rule does not apply, and the director may take decisions without regard to any of the provisions of the articles relating to directors' decision-making.

Unanimous decisions

- 8. (1) A decision of the directors is taken in accordance with this article when all eligible directors indicate to each other by any means that they share a common view on a matter.

- (2) Such a decision may take the form of a resolution in writing, copies of which have been signed by each eligible director or to which each eligible director has otherwise indicated agreement in writing
- (3) References in this article to eligible directors are to directors who would have been entitled to vote on the matter had it been proposed as a resolution at a directors' meeting
- (4) A decision may not be taken in accordance with this article if the eligible directors would not have formed a quorum at such a meeting

Calling a directors' meeting

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- (1) Any director may call a directors' meeting by giving notice of the meeting to the directors or by authorising the company secretary (if any) to give such notice
 - (2) Notice of any directors' meeting must indicate
 - (a) its proposed date and time;
 - (b) where it is to take place, and
 - (c) if it is anticipated that directors participating in the meeting will not be in the same place, how it is proposed that they should communicate with each other during the meeting
 - (3) Notice of a directors' meeting must be given to each director, but need not be in writing
 - (4) Notice of a directors' meeting need not be given to directors who waive their entitlement to notice of that meeting, by giving notice to that effect to the company not more than 7 days after the date on which the meeting is held. Where such notice is given after the meeting has been held, that does not affect the validity of the meeting, or of any business conducted at it

Participation in directors' meeting

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- (1) Subject to the articles, directors participate in a directors' meeting, or part of a directors' meeting, when
 - (a) the meeting has been called and takes place in accordance with the articles, and
 - (b) they can each communicate to the others any information or opinions they have on any particular item of the business of the meeting.
 - (2) In determining whether directors are participating in a directors' meeting, it is irrelevant where any director is or how they communicate with each other.

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- (3) If all the directors participating in a meeting are not in the same place, they may decide that the meeting is to be treated as taking place wherever any of them is.

Quorum for directors' meetings

11. (1) At a directors' meeting, unless a quorum is participating, no proposal is to be voted on, except a proposal to call another meeting.
- (2) The quorum for directors' meetings may be fixed from time to time by a decision of the directors, but it must never be less than two, and unless otherwise fixed it is two.
- (3) If the total number of directors for the time being is less than the quorum required, the directors must not take any decision other than a decision
- (a) to appoint further directors, or
- (b) to call a general meeting so as to enable the shareholders to appoint further directors

Chairing of directors' meetings

- 12 (1) The directors may appoint a director to chair their meetings
- (2) The person so appointed for the time being is known as the chairman.
- (3) The directors may terminate the chairman's appointment at any time
- (4) If the chairman is not participating in a directors' meeting within ten minutes of the time at which it was to start, the participating directors must appoint one of themselves to chair it.

Casting vote

- 13 (1) If the numbers of votes for and against a proposal are equal, the chairman or other director chairing the meeting has a casting vote
- (2) But this does not apply if, in accordance with the articles, the chairman or other director is not to be counted as participating in the decision-making process for quorum or voting purposes.

Conflicts of interest

14. (1) If a proposed decision of the directors is concerned with an actual or proposed transaction or arrangement with the company in which a director is interested, that director is not to be counted as participating in the decision-making process for quorum or voting purposes
- (2) But if paragraph (3) applies, a director who is interested in an actual or proposed transaction or arrangement with the company is to be
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counted as participating in the decision-making process for quorum and voting purposes

- (3) This paragraph applies when:
 - (a) the company by ordinary resolution disapplies the provision of the articles which would otherwise prevent a director from being counted as participating in the decision-making process,
 - (b) the director's interest cannot reasonably be regarded as likely to give rise to a conflict of interest; or
 - (c) the director's conflict of interest arises from a permitted cause.
- (4) For the purposes of this article, the following are permitted causes:
 - (a) a guarantee given, or to be given, by or to a director in respect of an obligation incurred by or on behalf of the company or any of its subsidiaries;
 - (b) subscription, or an agreement to subscribe, for shares or other securities of the company or any of its subsidiaries, or to underwrite, sub-underwrite, or guarantee subscription for any such shares or securities; and
 - (c) arrangements pursuant to which benefits are made available to employees and directors or former employees and directors of the company or any of its subsidiaries which do not provide special benefits for directors or former directors
- (5) For the purposes of this article, references to proposed decisions and decision-making processes include any directors' meeting or part of a directors' meeting
- (6) Subject to paragraph (7), if a question arises at a meeting of directors or of a committee of directors as to the right of a director to participate in the meeting (or part of the meeting) for voting or quorum purposes, the question may, before the conclusion of the meeting, be referred to the chairman whose ruling in relation to any director other than the chairman is to be final and conclusive.
- (7) If any question as to the right to participate in the meeting (or part of the meeting) should arise in respect of the chairman, the question is to be decided by a decision of the directors at that meeting, for which purpose the chairman is not to be counted as participating in the meeting (or that part of the meeting) for voting or quorum purposes

Records of decisions to be kept

- 15. The directors must ensure that the company keeps a record, in writing, for at least 10 years from the date of the decision recorded, of every unanimous or majority decision taken by the directors

Directors' discretion to make further rules

16. Subject to the articles, the directors may make any rule which they think fit about how they take decisions, and about how such rules are to be recorded or communicated to directors.

APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS

Methods of appointing directors

- 17 (1) Any person who is willing to act as a director, and is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a director:
- (a) by ordinary resolution, or
 - (b) by a decision of the directors
- (2) In any case where, as a result of death, the company has no shareholders and no directors, the personal representatives of the last shareholder to have died have the right, by notice in writing, to appoint a person to be a director
- (3) For the purposes of paragraph (2), where two or more shareholders die in circumstances rendering it uncertain who was the last to die, a younger shareholder is deemed to have survived an older shareholder.

Termination of director's appointment

18. A person ceases to be a director as soon as
- (a) that person ceases to be a director by virtue of any provision of the Companies Act 2006 or is prohibited from being a director by law,
 - (b) a bankruptcy order is made against that person;
 - (c) a composition is made with that person's creditors generally in satisfaction of that person's debts;
 - (d) a registered medical practitioner who is treating that person gives a written opinion to the company stating that that person has become physically or mentally incapable of acting as a director and may remain so for more than three months,
 - (e) by reason of that person's mental health, a court makes an order which wholly or partly prevents that person from personally exercising any powers or rights which that person would otherwise have;
 - (f) notification is received by the company from the director that the director is resigning from office, and such resignation has taken effect in accordance with its terms

Directors' remuneration

19. (1) Directors may undertake any services for the company that the directors decide
- (2) Directors are entitled to such remuneration as the directors determine:
- (a) for their services to the company as directors, and
 - (b) for any other service which they undertake for the company.
- (3) Subject to the articles, a director's remuneration may:
- (a) take any form, and
 - (b) include any arrangements in connection with the payment of a pension, allowance or gratuity, or any death, sickness or disability benefits, to or in respect of that director
- (4) Unless the directors decide otherwise, directors' remuneration accrues from day to day
- (5) Unless the directors decide otherwise, directors are not accountable to the company for any remuneration which they receive as directors or other officers or employees of the company's subsidiaries or of any other body corporate in which the company is interested

Directors' expenses

- 20 The company may pay any reasonable expenses which the directors properly incur in connection with their attendance at
- (a) meetings of directors or committees of directors,
 - (b) general meetings, or
 - (c) separate meetings of the holders of any class of shares or of debentures of the company,

or otherwise in connection with the exercise of their powers and the discharge of their responsibilities in relation to the company

PART 3

SHARES AND DISTRIBUTIONS

SHARES

All shares to be fully paid up

21. (1) No share is to be issued for less than the aggregate of its nominal value and any premium to be paid to the company in consideration for its issue

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- (2) This does not apply to shares taken on the formation of the company by the subscribers to the company's memorandum.

Powers to issue different classes of share

- 22 (1) Subject to the articles, but without prejudice to the rights attached to any existing share, the company may issue shares with such rights or restrictions as may be determined by ordinary resolution
- (2) The company may issue shares which are to be redeemed, or are liable to be redeemed at the option of the company or the holder, and the directors may determine the terms, conditions and manner of redemption of any such shares.

Company not bound by less than absolute interests

23. Except as required by law, no person is to be recognised by the company as holding any share upon any trust, and except as otherwise required by law or the articles, the company is not in any way to be bound by or recognise any interest in a share other than the holder's absolute ownership of it and all the rights attaching to it.

Share certificates

24. (1) The company must issue each shareholder, free of charge, with one or more certificates in respect of the shares which that shareholder holds
- (2) Every certificate must specify:
- (a) in respect of how many shares, of what class, it is issued,
 - (b) the nominal value of those shares,
 - (c) that the shares are fully paid; and
 - (d) any distinguishing numbers assigned to them
- (3) No certificate may be issued in respect of shares of more than one class
- (4) If more than one person holds a share, only one certificate may be issued in respect of it.
- (5) Certificates must:
- (a) have affixed to them the company's common seal, or
 - (b) be otherwise executed in accordance with the Companies Acts

Replacement share certificates

- 25 (1) If a certificate issued in respect of a shareholder's shares is
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- (a) damaged or defaced, or
- (b) said to be lost, stolen or destroyed,

that shareholder is entitled to be issued with a replacement certificate in respect of the same shares

- (2) A shareholder exercising the right to be issued with such a replacement certificate.
 - (a) may at the same time exercise the right to be issued with a single certificate or separate certificates,
 - (b) must return the certificate which is to be replaced to the company if it is damaged or defaced, and
 - (c) must comply with such conditions as to evidence, indemnity and the payment of a reasonable fee as the directors decide

Share transfers

- 26 (1) Shares may be transferred by means of an instrument of transfer in any usual form or any other form approved by the directors, which is executed by or on behalf of the transferor.
- (2) No fee may be charged for registering any instrument of transfer or other document relating to or affecting the title to any share.
- (3) The company may retain any instrument of transfer which is registered
- (4) The transferor remains the holder of a share until the transferee's name is entered in the register of members as holder of it
- (5) The directors may refuse to register the transfer of a share, and if they do so, the instrument of transfer must be returned to the transferee with the notice of refusal unless they suspect that the proposed transfer may be fraudulent.

Transmission of shares

- 27 (1) If title to a share passes to a transmittee, the company may only recognise the transmittee as having any title to that share.
- (2) A transmittee who produces such evidence of entitlement to shares as the directors may properly require
 - (a) may, subject to the articles, choose either to become the holder of those shares or to have them transferred to another person, and
 - (b) subject to the articles, and pending any transfer of the shares to another person, has the same rights as the holder had

- (3) But transmittees do not have the right to attend or vote at a general meeting, or agree to a proposed written resolution, in respect of shares to which they are entitled, by reason of the holder's death or bankruptcy or otherwise, unless they become the holders of those shares.

Exercise of transmittees' rights

- 28. (1) Transmittees who wish to become the holders of shares to which they have become entitled must notify the company in writing of that wish
- (2) If the transmitttee wishes to have a share transferred to another person, the transmitttee must execute an instrument of transfer in respect of it.
- (3) Any transfer made or executed under this article is to be treated as if it were made or executed by the person from whom the transmitttee has derived rights in respect of the share, and as if the event which gave rise to the transmission had not occurred

Transmittees bound by prior notices

- 29. If a notice is given to a shareholder in respect of shares and a transmitttee is entitled to those shares, the transmitttee is bound by the notice if it was given to the shareholder before the transmitttee's name has been entered in the register of members.

DIVIDENDS AND OTHER DISTRIBUTIONS

Procedure for declaring dividends

- 30 (1) The company may by ordinary resolution declare dividends, and the directors may decide to pay interim dividends.
- (2) A dividend must not be declared unless the directors have made a recommendation as to its amount. Such a dividend must not exceed the amount recommended by the directors
- (3) No dividend may be declared or paid unless it is in accordance with shareholders' respective rights.
- (4) Unless the shareholders' resolution to declare or directors' decision to pay a dividend, or the terms on which shares are issued, specify otherwise, it must be paid by reference to each shareholders' holding of shares on the date of the resolution or decision to declare or pay it.
- (5) If the company's share capital is divided into different classes, no interim dividend may be paid on shares carrying deferred or non-preferred rights if, at the time of payment, any preferential dividend is in arrear

- (6) The directors may pay at intervals any dividend payable at a fixed rate if it appears to them that the profits available for distribution justify the payment.
- (7) If the directors act in good faith, they do not incur any liability to the holders of shares conferring preferred rights for any loss they may suffer by the lawful payment of an interim dividend on shares with deferred or non-preferred rights.

Payment of dividends and other distributions

31. (1) Where a dividend or other sum which is a distribution is payable in respect of a share, it must be paid by one or more of the following means
- (a) transfer to a bank or building society account specified by the distribution recipient either in writing or as the directors may otherwise decide;
 - (b) sending a cheque made payable to the distribution recipient by post to the distribution recipient at the distribution recipient's registered address (if the distribution recipient is a holder of the share), or (in any other case) to an address specified by the distribution recipient either in writing or as the directors may otherwise decide;
 - (c) sending a cheque made payable to such person by post to such person at such address as the distribution recipient has specified either in writing or as the directors may otherwise decide, or
 - (d) any other means of payment as the directors agree with the distribution recipient either in writing or by such other means as the directors decide
- (2) In the articles, "the distribution recipient" means, in respect of a share in respect of which a dividend or other sum is payable
- (a) the holder of the share; or
 - (b) if the share has two or more joint holders, whichever of them is named first in the register of members; or
 - (c) if the holder is no longer entitled to the share by reason of death or bankruptcy, or otherwise by operation of law, the transmittee

No interest on distributions

- 32 The company may not pay interest on any dividend or other sum payable in respect of a share unless otherwise provided by
- (a) the terms on which the share was issued, or
 - (b) the provisions of another agreement between the holder of that share and the company.

Unclaimed distributions

- 33 (1) All dividends or other sums which are:
- (a) payable in respect of shares, and
 - (b) unclaimed after having been declared or become payable,
- may be invested or otherwise made use of by the directors for the benefit of the company until claimed.
- (2) The payment of any such dividend or other sum into a separate account does not make the company a trustee in respect of it.
- (3) If:
- (a) twelve years have passed from the date on which a dividend or other sum became due for payment, and
 - (b) the distribution recipient has not claimed it,
- the distribution recipient is no longer entitled to that dividend or other sum and it ceases to remain owing by the company

Non-cash distributions

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

Waiver of distributions

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

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

CAPITALISATION OF PROFITS

Authority to capitalise and appropriation of capitalised sums

36. (1) Subject to the articles, the directors may, if they are so authorised by an ordinary resolution
- (a) decide to capitalise any profits of the company (whether or not they are available for distribution) which are not required for paying a preferential dividend, or any sum standing to the credit of the company's share premium account or capital redemption reserve, and
 - (b) appropriate any sum which they so decide to capitalise (a "capitalised sum") to the persons who would have been entitled to it if it were distributed by way of dividend (the "persons entitled") and in the same proportions
- (2) Capitalised sums must be applied
- (a) on behalf of the persons entitled, and
 - (b) in the same proportions as a dividend would have been distributed to them
- (3) Any capitalised sum may be applied in paying up new shares of a nominal amount equal to the capitalised sum which are then allotted credited as fully paid to the persons entitled or as they may direct
- (4) A capitalised sum which was appropriated from profits available for distribution may be applied in paying up new debentures of the company which are then allotted credited as fully paid to the persons entitled or as they may direct.
- (5) Subject to the articles the directors may:
- (a) apply capitalised sums in accordance with paragraphs (3) and (4) partly in one way and partly in another;
 - (b) make such arrangements as they think fit to deal with shares or debentures becoming distributable in fractions under this article (including the issuing of fractional certificates or the making of cash payments); and
 - (c) authorise any person to enter into an agreement with the company on behalf of all the persons entitled which is binding on them in respect of the allotment of shares and debentures to them under this article

PART 4

DECISION-MAKING BY SHAREHOLDERS

ORGANISATION OF GENERAL MEETINGS

Attendance and speaking at general meetings

37. (1) A person is able to exercise the right to speak at a general meeting when that person is in a position to communicate to all those attending the meeting, during the meeting, any information or opinions which that person has on the business of the meeting.
- (2) A person is able to exercise the right to vote at a general meeting when
- (a) that person is able to vote, during the meeting, on resolutions put to the vote at the meeting, and
 - (b) that person's vote can be taken into account in determining whether or not such resolutions are passed at the same time as the votes of all the other persons attending the meeting.
- (3) The directors may make whatever arrangements they consider appropriate to enable those attending a general meeting to exercise their rights to speak or vote at it.
- (4) In determining attendance at a general meeting, it is immaterial whether any two or more members attending it are in the same place as each other
- (5) Two or more persons who are not in the same place as each other attend a general meeting if their circumstances are such that if they have (or were to have) rights to speak and vote at that meeting, they are (or would be) able to exercise them

Quorum for general meetings

- 38 No business other than the appointment of the chairman of the meeting is to be transacted at a general meeting if the persons attending it do not constitute a quorum.

Chairing general meetings

- 39 (1) If the directors have appointed a chairman, the chairman shall chair general meetings if present and willing to do so
- (2) If the directors have not appointed a chairman, or if the chairman is unwilling to chair the meeting or is not present within ten minutes of the time at which a meeting was due to start
- (a) the directors present, or

(b) (if no directors are present), the meeting,

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

- (3) The person chairing a meeting in accordance with this article is referred to as "the chairman of the meeting"

Attendance and speaking by directors and non-shareholders

- 40 (1) Directors may attend and speak at general meetings, whether or not they are shareholders.
- (2) The chairman of the meeting may permit other persons who are not:
- (a) shareholders of the company, or
 - (b) otherwise entitled to exercise the rights of shareholders in relation to general meetings, to attend and speak at a general meeting

Adjournment

- 41 (1) If the persons attending a general meeting within half an hour of the time at which the meeting was due to start do not constitute a quorum, or if during a meeting a quorum ceases to be present, the chairman of the meeting must adjourn it
- (2) The chairman of the meeting may adjourn a general meeting at which a quorum is present if.
- (a) the meeting consents to an adjournment, or
 - (b) it appears to the chairman of the meeting that an adjournment is necessary to protect the safety of any person attending the meeting or ensure that the business of the meeting is conducted in an orderly manner
- (3) The chairman of the meeting must adjourn a general meeting if directed to do so by the meeting.
- (4) When adjourning a general meeting, the chairman of the meeting must:
- (a) either specify the time and place to which it is adjourned or state that it is to continue at a time and place to be fixed by the directors, and
 - (b) have regard to any directions as to the time and place of any adjournment which have been given by the meeting
- (5) If the continuation of an adjourned meeting is to take place more than 14 days after it was adjourned, the company must give at least 7 clear

days' notice of it (that is, excluding the day of the adjourned meeting and the day on which the notice is given).

- (a) to the same persons to whom notice of the company's general meetings is required to be given, and
 - (b) containing the same information which such notice is required to contain
- (6) No business may be transacted at an adjourned general meeting which could not properly have been transacted at the meeting if the adjournment had not taken place

VOTING AT GENERAL MEETINGS

Voting: general

42. A resolution put to the vote of a general meeting must be decided on a show of hands unless a poll is duly demanded in accordance with the articles

Errors and disputes

- 43 (1) No objection may be raised to the qualification of any person voting at a general meeting except at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is tendered, and every vote not disallowed at the meeting is valid
- (2) Any such objection must be referred to the chairman of the meeting, whose decision is final

Poll Votes

44. (1) A poll on a resolution may be demanded
- (a) in advance of the general meeting where it is to be put to the vote, or
 - (b) at a general meeting, either before a show of hands on that resolution or immediately after the result of a show of hands on that resolution is declared
- (2) A poll may be demanded by:
- (a) the chairman of the meeting;
 - (b) the directors;
 - (c) two or more persons having the right to vote on the resolution; or
 - (d) a person or persons representing not less than one tenth of the total voting rights of all the shareholders having the right to vote on the resolution
- (3) A demand for a poll may be withdrawn if:

- (a) the poll has not yet been taken, and
 - (b) the chairman of the meeting consents to the withdrawal
- (4) Polls must be taken immediately and in such manner as the chairman of the meeting directs

Content of proxy notices

- 45
- (1) Proxies may only validly be appointed by a notice in writing (a "proxy notice") which
 - (a) states the name and address of the shareholder appointing the proxy,
 - (b) identifies the person appointed to be that shareholder's proxy and the general meeting in relation to which that person is appointed,
 - (c) is signed by or on behalf of the shareholder appointing the proxy, or is authenticated in such manner as the directors may determine; and
 - (d) is delivered to the company in accordance with the articles and any instructions contained in the notice of the general meeting to which they relate.
 - (2) the company may require proxy notices to be delivered in a particular form, and may specify different forms for different purposes
 - (3) Proxy notices may specify how the proxy appointed under them is to vote (or that the proxy is to abstain from voting) on one or more resolutions
 - (4) Unless a proxy notice indicates otherwise, it must be treated as:
 - (a) allowing the person appointed under it as a proxy discretion as to how to vote on any ancillary or procedural resolutions put to the meeting, and
 - (b) appointing that person as a proxy in relation to any adjournment of the general meeting to which it relates as well as the meeting itself

Delivery of proxy notices

- 46.
- (1) A person who is entitled to attend, speak or vote (either on a show of hands or on a poll) at a general meeting remains so entitled in respect of that meeting or any adjournment of it, even though a valid proxy notice has been delivered to the company by or on behalf of that person.
 - (2) An appointment under a proxy notice may be revoked by delivering to the company a notice in writing given by or on behalf of the person by whom or on whose behalf the proxy notice was given.

- (3) A notice revoking a proxy appointment only takes effect if it is delivered before the start of the meeting or adjourned meeting to which it relates.
- (4) If a proxy notice is not executed by the person appointing the proxy, it must be accompanied by written evidence of the authority of the person who executed it to execute it on the appointor's behalf.

Amendments to resolutions

47. (1) An ordinary resolution to be proposed at a general meeting may be amended by ordinary resolution if
- (a) notice of the proposed amendment is given to the company in writing by a person entitled to vote at the general meeting at which it is to be proposed not less than 48 hours before the meeting is to take place (or such later time as the chairman of the meeting may determine), and
 - (b) the proposed amendment does not, in the reasonable opinion of the chairman of the meeting, materially alter the scope of the resolution.
- (2) A special resolution to be proposed at a general meeting may be amended by ordinary resolution, if:
- (a) the chairman of the meeting proposes the amendment at the general meeting at which the resolution is to be proposed, and
 - (b) the amendment does not go beyond what is necessary to correct a grammatical or other non-substantive error in the resolution.
- (3) If the chairman of the meeting, acting in good faith, wrongly decides that an amendment to a resolution is out of order, the chairman's error does not invalidate the vote on that resolution.

PART 5

ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

Means of communication to be used

48. (1) Subject to the articles, anything sent or supplied by or to the company under the articles may be sent or supplied in any way in which the Companies Act 2006 provides for documents or information which are authorised or required by any provision of that Act to be sent or supplied by or to the company
- (2) Subject to the articles, any notice or document to be sent or supplied to a director in connection with the taking of decisions by directors may also be sent or supplied by the means by which that director has

asked to be sent or supplied with such notices or documents for the time being

- (3) A director may agree with the company that notices or documents sent to that director in a particular way are to be deemed to have been received within a specified time of their being sent, and for the specified time to be less than 48 hours

Company seals

- 49 (1) Any common seal may only be used by the authority of the directors.
- (2) The directors may decide by what means and in what form any common seal is to be used.
- (3) Unless otherwise decided by the directors, if the company has a common seal and it is affixed to a document, the document must also be signed by at least one authorised person in the presence of a witness who attests the signature.
- (4) For the purposes of this article, an authorised person is:
- (a) any director of the company;
 - (b) the company secretary (if any); or
 - (c) any person authorised by the directors for the purpose of signing documents to which the common seal is applied.

No right to inspect accounts and other records

- 50 Except as provided by law or authorised by the directors or an ordinary resolution of the company, no person is entitled to inspect any of the company's accounting or other records or documents merely by virtue of being a shareholder

Provision for employees on cessation of business

- 51 The directors may decide to make provision for the benefit of persons employed or formerly employed by the company or any of its subsidiaries (other than a director or former director or shadow director) in connection with the cessation or transfer to any person of the whole or part of the undertaking of the company or that subsidiary.

DIRECTORS' INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE

Indemnity

52. (1) Subject to paragraph (2), a relevant director of the company or an associated company may be indemnified out of the company's assets against.

- (a) any liability incurred by that director in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the company or an associated company
 - (b) any liability incurred by that director in connection with the activities of the company or an associated company in its capacity as a trustee of an occupational pension scheme (as defined in section 235(6) of the Companies Act 2006),
 - (c) any other liability incurred by that director as an officer of the company or an associated company
- (2) This article does not authorise any indemnity which would be prohibited or rendered void by any provision of the Companies Acts or by any other provision of law.
- (3) In this article.
- (d) companies are associated if one is a subsidiary of the other or both are subsidiaries of the same body corporate, and
 - (e) a "relevant director" means any director or former director of the company or an associated company

Insurance

- 53 (1) The directors may decide to purchase and maintain insurance, at the expense of the company, for the benefit of any relevant director in respect of any relevant loss
- (2) In this article:
- (a) a "relevant director" means any director or former director of the company or an associated company
 - (b) a "relevant loss" means any loss or liability which has been or may be incurred by a relevant director in connection with that director's duties or powers in relation to the company, any associated company or any pension fund or employees' share scheme of the company or associated company, and
 - (c) companies are associated if one is a subsidiary of the other or both are subsidiaries of the same body corporate.