

CORPORATE RESOURCES DIRECTORATE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

URGENT REPORT – SHAREHOLDER COMMITTEE

Date of Request:	7 October 2026	Date of Meeting:	3 November 2026	DS Officer:	Sue Fenwick
Report Title	Admission of New Members				

Chief Officer	
Steve Newton – Governance Director and Monitoring Officer	
<i>Reason for urgency</i> A Shareholder Committee meeting is scheduled immediately following the next Cabinet meeting on 3 November. We were not anticipating any need for confidentiality, so have not published the required notice 28 days in advance. Unfortunately, at a meeting of the Veritau Member Committee yesterday, a request was made for the shareholder authorities to seek approval for admitting additional councils as members of the company. A report is therefore being prepared seeking shareholder consent to those proposals. Part of the report is likely to contain exempt information relating to the employment affairs of individuals. In particular, the proposed arrangements may involve TUPE implications and, at the time the committee meets, the affected staff will not yet have been informed. It would therefore be inappropriate for that information to be considered in public. Unfortunately, the requirement for a shareholder decision was only raised yesterday, meaning that we are now outside the 28-day notice period normally required where an executive meeting is to be held in private. There is, however, a degree of urgency as Veritau the participating authorities are keen to progress the admission of the new member councils as soon as possible (if approved) and we have been asked to make the decision asap, to accommodate TUPE consultation etc.	
This request has been seen and agreed by the following:	

Officer / Member	Signature
Chief Executive	Approved by email 07/10/2026 @16:43

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Chair of Corporate Resources and Governance Scrutiny

Approved by email 07/10/2026 @13:33