

REPORT REFERENCE NO.	DSFRA/24/30
MEETING	DEVON & SOMERSET FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY
DATE OF MEETING	31 JULY 2024
SUBJECT OF REPORT	RED ONE LTD. – AUTHORITY APPOINTED NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LEAD OFFICER	Clerk to the Authority (& Monitoring Officer)
RECOMMENDATIONS	<p>(a). <i>That, in accordance with the Articles of Association of Red One Ltd., the Clerk to the Authority (& Monitoring Officer) be authorised either:</i></p> <p>(i). <i>to re-appoint the existing incumbent as a Non-Executive Director on the Board of Red One Ltd. for a further term of up to 12 months (dependent on re-election to the County Council on 1 May 2025 and subsequent appointment to the Authority); or</i></p> <p>(ii) <i>to instigate a process to identify appropriate candidates for the vacancy of Authority Appointed Non-Executive Director on the Board of Red One Ltd. in the event that the current incumbent should stand down effective from 12 August 2024; and</i></p> <p>(b). <i>in the event of (b). above, the Appointments & Disciplinary Committee be delegated authority to determine the eventual appointment.</i></p>
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	<p>The current Articles of Association (v4) for Red One Ltd. (“the company”) provide for the Authority (as sole shareholder) to appoint Authority Members as Non-Executive Directors. Such appointments would usually be for an initial period of three years.</p> <p>The current incumbent of one of the two Authority appointed Non-Executive Directors was appointed on 12 August 2021 and is thus reaching the end of the initial term. The Clerk to the Authority (& Monitoring Officer) has written to the Authority Member to ascertain whether an extension in appointment is desired at this stage. In the event that an extension in appointment is not requested, then the Clerk to the Authority (& Monitoring Officer) is seeking delegated authority to run a process for appointment of a Non-Executive Director to the Board of Red One Ltd.</p> <p>This was undertaken successfully by the Authority’s Appointments & Disciplinary Committee when a vacancy arose in 2023 and it is proposed that this approach is instigated again.</p>

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	The cost of running this appointment process with First Flight is estimated to be between £4 to £8k but this has been undertaken internally successfully on a previous appointment.
EQUALITY RISKS AND BENEFITS ANALYSIS	N/A
APPENDICES	Nil.
BACKGROUND PAPERS	Red One Ltd. Articles of Association (4th edition).

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