

Information, information technology and information security governance

The Board is responsible for information governance. At Board level, the Chairperson, the Group Chief Executive and the Company Secretary ensure that Directors receive adequate, timely and accurate information to be able to discharge their duties. Directors are under obligations to keep all information confidential. Where necessary in the discharge of their duties, all directors may seek independent professional advice at the Company's expense. The Company has adequate Directors & Officers insurance.

Day-to-day IT governance and security issues are delegated to senior management. IT expenses are monitored through the budgeting process. The Company has in place a number of IT policies, the purposes of which are to:

- a) to clarify the requirements, prohibitions, and procedures applicable to the use of the Company's computing and network resources;
- b) provide guidelines to encourage responsible behaviour and good management practice;
- c) ensure that IT facilities and services provided by the Company are used legally, securely, effectively and in a spirit of co-operation and trust.

The policies cover a range of aspects, including physical security, users access & passwords, computer viruses, installation & modifications of the IT systems, emails, internet, copyrights & license agreements, smart devices, confidentiality and remote access. Given the sensitivity of these policies, the Company is still considering the appropriateness of having these policies on the website.