Agenda Item 7

Partnership report



Nevis Technologies Ltd – Appointment of Director

Date of meeting 6 March 2020

Date of report 28 February 2020

Report by Assistant Chief Executive

1. Object of report

To recommend the appointment of Neil Wylie, Director of Finance to the Board of Nevis Technologies Ltd (NTL).

2. Background

NTL is a joint venture between SPT (49% shareholder) and Ecebs Ltd (51% shareholder). The purpose of NTL is the development of smart ticketing technology, and is the supplier to the subway smart ticketing arrangements. In addition, NTL now provide technology solutions to Scotrail, McGills and Lothian Buses.

Since the formation of NTL, Ecebs Ltd as a technology company have been bought by Rambus Inc, and now subsequently by VISA.

The board comprises of up to 9 directors – 4 representatives from SPT and 5 from now VISA.

Previously the SPT positions have been held by 2 members of the Partnership Board and 2 senior managers.

3. Outline of proposals

SPT representation is currently Ann Faulds, appointed member and Cllr Colin Cameron, elected member. Both senior manager positions are vacant following senior staff changes.

It is recommended that Neil Wylie, Director of Finance be nominated to the NTL board. This reflects the functional structure within SPT as the ticketing team now sit within Mr Wylies portfolio.

In addition to Board Director positions, other staff within SPT support the ongoing activities of NTL at an operational level. The filling of the remaining SPT position is currently under consideration.

4. Partnership action

The Partnership is recommended to:

- Approve the nomination of Neil Wylie to the NTL Board, and
- Note that the remaining vacancy remains under consideration.

5. Consequences

Policy consequences	None directly.
Legal consequences	Board director positions attract Companies Act responsibilities.
Financial consequences	None at present.
Personnel consequences	None at present.
Equalities consequences	None directly.
Risk consequences	Ensures SPT representation on the Board of NTL.

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