Enquiries to: Information Team Council Ref: FOI 13835081

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Dear Josie Mullen

# Freedom of Information Request 13835081

Thank you for your recent request which has been processed in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You requested the following information –

"Q 1 - Please supply a link to the meeting when it was decided that Tony Reeves would resign from that position and the reasons for that decision
On the 1st July 2021 Jon Anthony Corner became a director of The ACC Liverpool Group even though he had been involved in various insolvencies
On the 1st July 2021 Alexander Cousins became a consultant for The ACC Liverpool Group even though her own consultancy company had only been incorporated 11 months before her appointment [no accounts at the time]
On the 1st July 2021 Alastair Hulbert Machray became a director for The ACC Liverpool Group. Previous Editor of the Liverpool Echo!!!

- Q 2 Please supply all information in relation to:
- [a] Where these positions for the ACC Liverpool Group were advertised
- [b] A copy of the advertisement for these positions
- [c] The individuals tasked to interview the applicants
- [d] The full list of applicants
- [e] The annual remuneration for each of the above mentioned 2 directors and 1 consultant paid for by the taxpayers of Liverpool
- [f] The official reasons why this company continues to make outrageous losses

## Response:

Liverpool City Council would advise as follows -

- 1. Mr Reeves's resignation was confirmed by the meeting of the Full Council held on 21 July 2021. The remaining elements of this first question are statements and comments which do not require response under FOIA legislation.
  - We would further advise that Alexandra Cousins was appointed as a Director for ACCL on 1 July 2021, and not as a consultant.
- 2. a) The role was advertised on the ACCL website and placed on two external websites NED job advertisement board at <a href="https://www.intouchnetworks.com">www.intouchnetworks.com</a> (formerly <a href="https://www.nedonboard.com">www.nedonboard.com</a>
  - b) Please see attached advert as retained by ACCL.
  - c) ACCL to provide detail of process. Faye Dyer, Managing Director; Max Steinberg, Chair of the Board for The ACC Liverpool Group; Jenny Davies, Executive Assistant to the Managing Director.



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- d) s.40(2) FOIA is applied to this element of your request. There is no reasonable expectation unsuccessful candidates would be identified or that their identities would be disclosed if unsuccessful.
- e) Details of remuneration arrangements for Directors and of expenditure made by ACCL are included within accounts submitted to Companies House which are reasonably accessible to you at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/get-information-about-a-company">https://www.gov.uk/get-information-about-a-company</a>
- f) This is a leading statement and comment which does not require response under FOIA legislation. Details on the finances and accounts of ACCL are included within accounts submitted to Companies House which are reasonably accessible to you at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/get-information-about-a-company">https://www.gov.uk/get-information-about-a-company</a>

This concludes our response. As we have applied a limited exemption under s.40(2) FOIA this response serves as a notice under s.17 of the same Act. The Council will consider appeals relating to this response provided these are submitted in writing to <a href="mailto:lnformationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk">lnformationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk</a> within 28 days of receiving this response.

The matter will be dealt with by an officer who was not previously involved with the response and we will look to provide a response within 40 days. If you remain dissatisfied you may also apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision about whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Information Commissioner's website is <a href="www.ico.gov.uk">www.ico.gov.uk</a> and the postal address and telephone numbers are:- Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Telephone: 0303-123-113. Email — <a href="mail@ico.gov.uk">mail@ico.gov.uk</a> (they advise that their email is not secure)

We trust this information satisfies your enquiry.

Yours sincerely Information Team

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#### Advert

### **Non Executive Director**

### The ACC Liverpool Group

The ACC Liverpool Group Limited, home to the Convention Centre, M&S Bank Arena, Exhibition Centre Liverpool, and ticketing agency TicketQuarter, opened its doors in January 2008 and has since established itself as a leading international centre for conferences, entertainment and exhibitions. With a stunning building on the Mersey waterfront and an ongoing impressive calendar of events, ACC Liverpool has generated £1.9bn in economic benefit for the city region.

Owned by Liverpool City Council, The ACC Liverpool Group is directly governed by its own Board of Directors. Non Executive Directors are now sought to join the Board. The positions are part time, requiring around 10 days per annum with a commensurate remuneration package. The ideal candidate should have experience in Marketing and Communications or Technology, they will be a proven business leader who has the experience and gravitas to contribute towards the operation of the Board, as well as work with and support The ACC Liverpool Group's Chair and Managing Director.

This is an opportunity to help shape the continued success of The ACC Liverpool Group and build on the tremendous progress made to date, as the company emerges from the Covid 19 pandemic and enters the recovery phase.

To find out more about the company, its vision, mission and values, visit our vacancies page on our website <a href="www.accliverpool.com">www.accliverpool.com</a> or if you wish to request an information pack please email <a href="recruitment@accliverpool.com">recruitment@accliverpool.com</a> If you then wish to submit an expression of interest in this role please email your personal and career history details along with the reasons why you believe you should be considered for this role to <a href="recruitment@accliverpool.com">recruitment@accliverpool.com</a> no later than **30 May 2021**.

**Interview Date: Thursday 17 June 2021** 

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