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DroneShield Limited

Notice of 2024 Annual General Meeting

Explanatory Statement | Proxy Form

23 April 2024

10:00am AEST

Address

Automic Group, Level 5, 126 Phillip St, Sydney NSW 2000.

This Notice of Meeting should be read in its entirety. If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their professional advisers prior to voting.

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Important Information for Shareholders about the Company's 2024 AGM

This Notice is given based on circumstances as at 22 March 2024. Should circumstances change, the Company will make an announcement on the ASX market announcements platform and on the Company's website at <https://www.droneshield.com/>. Shareholders are urged to monitor the ASX announcements platform and the Company's website.

Venue and Voting Information

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders to which this Notice of Meeting relates will be held at 10:00am AEST on 23 April 2024 at Level 5, 126 Phillip St, Sydney NSW 2000.

Your vote is important

The business of the Annual General Meeting affects your shareholding and your vote is important.

Voting in person

To vote in person, attend the Annual General Meeting on the date and at the place set out above.

Voting by proxy

To vote by proxy, please use one of the following methods:

Online	Lodge the Proxy Form online at https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah by following the instructions: Login to the Automic website using the holding details as shown on the Proxy Form. Click on 'View Meetings' – 'Vote'. To use the online lodgement facility, Shareholders will need their holder number (Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN)) as shown on the front of the Proxy Form. For further information on the online proxy lodgement process please see the Online Proxy Lodgement Guide at https://www.automicgroup.com.au/virtual-agms/
By post	Automic, GPO Box 5193, Sydney NSW 2001
By hand	Automic, Level 5, 126 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000
By email	Completing the enclosed Proxy Form and emailing it to: meetings@automicgroup.com.au

Your Proxy instruction must be received not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. **Proxy Forms received later than this time will be invalid.**

Power of Attorney

If the proxy form is signed under a power of attorney on behalf of a shareholder, then the attorney must make sure that either the original power of attorney or a certified copy is sent with the proxy form, unless the power of attorney has already been provided to the Share Registry.

Corporate Representatives

If a representative of a corporate shareholder or a corporate proxy will be attending the Meeting, the representative should bring to the Meeting adequate evidence of their appointment, unless this has previously been provided to the Share Registry.

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that an Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of DroneShield Limited ACN 608 915 859 will be held at 10:00am AEST on 23 April 2024 at Level 5, 126 Phillip St, Sydney NSW 2000 (**Meeting**).

The Explanatory Statement to this Notice of Meeting provides additional information on matters to be considered at the Annual General Meeting. The Explanatory Statement and the Proxy Form forms part of this Notice of Meeting.

The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the *Corporations Regulations 2001* (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders at 10:00am AEST on Sunday, 21 April 2024.

Terms and abbreviations used in this Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Statement are defined in the Glossary.

Agenda

Ordinary business

Financial statements and reports

"To receive and to consider the Annual Financial Report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Directors' Report, the Remuneration Report and the Auditor's Report for that financial year."

Note: This item of ordinary business is **for discussion only and is not a resolution**.

Pursuant to the Corporations Act, Shareholders will be given a reasonable opportunity at the Meeting to ask questions about, or make comments in relation to, each of the aforementioned reports during consideration of these items.

Resolutions

Remuneration Report

1. **Resolution 1** – Adoption of Remuneration Report

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution**:

“That, for the purpose of Section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the adoption of the Remuneration Report as contained in the Company’s Annual Financial Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2023.”

Note: The vote on this Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

Voting Exclusion Statement: In accordance with the Corporations Act, the Company will disregard any votes cast on Resolution 1 by or on behalf of a member of the Company’s key management personnel (Directors), whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report (**KMP**), or any of that person’s Closely Related Parties (such as close family members and any controlled companies of those persons) (collectively referred to as Restricted Voter). However, the Company need not disregard a vote if:

- (a) it is cast by a person as a proxy appointed in writing that specifies how the proxy is to vote on Resolution 1; and
- (b) it is not cast on behalf of a Restricted Voter.

If you appoint the person chairing the Meeting (**Chair**) and you are not a Restricted Voter, by submitting the Proxy Form you authorise the person chairing the Meeting to exercise the proxy even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a KMP, and you will be taken to have directed the Chair to vote in accordance with his or her stated intention to vote in favour of Resolution 1. If you do not want your vote exercised in favour of Resolution 1, you should direct the person chairing the Meeting to vote “against”, or to abstain from voting on, this Resolution.

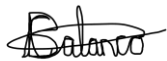
Re-election of Director

2. Resolution 2 – Re-election of Jethro Marks as Director

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution**:

“That Jethro Marks, a Director who retires by rotation in accordance with the Company’s Constitution and ASX Listing Rule 14.5, and being eligible offers himself for re-election as a Director of the Company, effective immediately.”

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD



Carla Balanco
CFO and Joint Company Secretary

Explanatory Statement

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared for the information of the Shareholders in connection with the business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 10:00am AEST on 23 April 2024 at Level 5, 126 Phillip St, Sydney NSW 2000.

The purpose of this Explanatory Statement is to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions in the Notice of Meeting.

If you are in any doubt about what to do in relation to the Resolutions contemplated in the Notice of Meeting and this Explanatory Statement, it is recommended that you seek advice from an accountant, solicitor or other professional advisor.

Full details of the business to be considered at the Annual General Meeting are set out below.

Agenda

Ordinary business

Financial statements and reports

In accordance with the Constitution and the Corporations Act, the business of the Annual General Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the Annual Financial Report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Director's Report, the Remuneration Report and the Auditor's Report.

In accordance with the amendments to the Corporations Act, the Company is no longer required to provide a hard copy of the Company's Annual Financial Report to Shareholders unless a Shareholder has specifically elected to receive a printed copy.

Whilst the Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's Annual Financial Report unless specifically requested to do so, Shareholders may view the Company's Annual Financial Report on its website at <https://www.droneshield.com/>.

No resolution is required for this item, but Shareholders will be given the opportunity to ask questions and to make comments on the management and performance of the Company.

The Company's auditor will be present at the Meeting. During the discussion of this item, the auditor will be available to answer questions on the:

- Conduct of the audit;
- Preparation and content of the Auditor's Report;
- Accounting policies adopted by the Company in relation to the preparation of the financial statements; and
- Independence of the auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit.

Written questions of the auditor

If you would like to submit a written question about the content of the Auditor's Report or the conduct of the audit of the Annual Financial Report of the Company's auditor, please send your question to the Company Secretary. A list of qualifying questions will be made available at the Meeting.

Please note that all written questions must be received at least five business days before the Meeting, which is by 16 April 2024.

Resolutions

Remuneration Report

Resolution 1 – Adoption of Remuneration Report

In accordance with section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act, the Company is required to present to its Shareholders the Remuneration Report as disclosed in the Company's Annual Financial Report.

The vote on the Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company. The Remuneration Report is set out in the Company's Annual Financial Report and is also available on the Company's website at <https://www.droneshield.com/>.

However, if at least 25% of the votes cast are against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at the Meeting (subject of this Notice of Meeting), and then again at the 2025 Annual General Meeting (2025 **AGM**), the Company will be required to put to the vote a resolution (**Spill Resolution**) at the 2025 AGM to approve the calling of a further meeting (**Spill Meeting**). If more than 50% of Shareholders vote in favour of the Spill Resolution, the Company must convene the Spill Meeting within 90 days of the 2025 AGM. All of the Directors who were in office when the 2025 Directors' Report was approved, other than the Managing Director, will (if desired) need to stand for re-election at the Spill Meeting.

The Remuneration Report explains the Board's policies in relation to the nature and level of remuneration paid to KMP and sets out remuneration details, service agreements and the details of any share-based compensation.

Voting

Note that a voting exclusion applies to Resolution 1 in the terms set out in the Notice of Meeting. In particular, the Directors and other Restricted Voters must not vote on this Resolution and must not cast a vote as proxy, unless the appointment gives a direction on how to vote, or the proxy is given to the Chair and you submit the Proxy Form, authorising the Chair to exercise the proxy even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a KMP and that in doing so you will be taken to have directed the Chair to vote in accordance with the Chair's stated intention to vote in favour of Resolution 1.

Shareholders are urged to read carefully the Proxy Form and to provide a direction to the proxy on how to vote on this Resolution.

Re-election of Director

Resolution 2– Re-election of Jethro Marks as Director

The Company's Constitution sets out the requirements for determining which Directors are to retire by rotation at each Annual General Meeting.

ASX Listing Rule 14.5 also provides that an entity which has Directors must hold an election of Directors at each annual general meeting.

Jethro Marks was appointed a Director of the Company on 16 January 2020 and was last re-elected as a Director at the 2022 Annual General Meeting.

Under this Resolution, Jethro Marks has elected to retire by rotation, and being eligible, seeks re-election as a Director of the Company at this AGM.

Mr Marks is a Sydney-based CEO and co-founder of the Nile Group, an eCommerce retail, services, logistics and outsourcing business. Over 21 years, Mr Marks has led, and continuously grown, the business at the forefront of digital commerce, marketing, and international logistics, while competing with the largest retailers globally.

Mr Marks brings to the Board extensive commercial experience in successfully scaling a multinational business. The Nile Group's global supply chain and award-winning logistics capability has extended to most consumer goods categories in multiple countries, and today carries 40 million products. This capability has extended to provisioning international logistics support to multinational brands and technology companies.

If re-elected the Board considers Mr Marks will be an Independent Director.

Directors' recommendation

The Directors (excluding Jethro Marks) recommend that Shareholders vote for this Resolution.

Enquiries

Shareholders are asked to contact the Company Secretary on +61 2 9995 7280 if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in these documents.

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Glossary

AEST means Australian Eastern Standard Time as observed in Sydney, New South Wales.

Annual Financial Report means the 2023 Annual Report to Shareholders for the period ended 31 December 2023 as lodged by the Company with ASX on 28 February 2024.

Annual General Meeting or **AGM** or **Meeting** means an Annual General Meeting of the Company and, unless otherwise indicated, means the meeting of the Company's members convened by this Notice of Meeting.

Associate has the meaning given to it by the ASX Listing Rules.

ASX means ASX Limited ACN 008 624 691 or the financial market operated by it, as the context requires, of 20 Bridge Street, Sydney, NSW 2000.

ASX Listing Rules or **Listing Rules** means the official ASX Listing Rules of the ASX and any other rules of the ASX which are applicable while the Company is admitted to the official list of the ASX, as amended or replaced from time to time, except to the extent of any express written waiver by the ASX.

Auditor's Report means the auditor's report of HLB Mann Judd Assurance (NSW) Pty Ltd dated 28 February 2024 as included in the Annual Financial Report.

Board means the current board of Directors of the Company.

Business Day means a day on which trading takes place on the stock market of ASX.

Chair means the person chairing the Meeting.

Closely Related Party of a member of the KMP means:

- (a) a spouse or child of the member;
- (b) a child of the member's spouse;
- (c) a dependant of the member or of the member's spouse;
- (d) anyone else who is one of the member's family and may be expected to influence the member, or be influenced by the member, in the member's dealings with the Company;
- (e) a company the member controls; or
- (f) a person prescribed by the *Corporation Regulations 2001* (Cth).

Company means DroneShield Limited ACN 608 915 859.

Constitution means the Company's constitution.

Corporations Act means the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) as amended or replaced from time to time.

Director means a current director of the Company.

Directors' Report means the report of Directors as included in the Annual Financial Report.

Dollar or "**\$**" means Australian dollars.

Explanatory Statement means the explanatory statement accompanying this Notice of Meeting.

KMP means key management personnel whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report.

Notice of Meeting or **Notice of Annual General Meeting** means this notice of annual general meeting dated 22 March 2024 including the Explanatory Statement.

Option means an option which, subject to its terms, could be exercised into a Share.

Ordinary Resolution means a resolution that can only be passed if at least 50% of the total votes cast by Shareholders entitled to vote on the resolution are voted in its favour at the meeting.

Proxy Form means the proxy form attached to this Notice of Meeting.

Remuneration Report means the remuneration report as set out in the Annual Financial Report.

Resolutions means the resolutions set out in this Notice of Meeting, or any one of them, as the context requires.

Restricted Voter means a member of the Company's KMP and any Closely Related Parties of those members.

Securities mean Shares and/or Options (as the context requires).

Share means a fully paid ordinary share in the capital of the Company.

Shareholder means a holder of a Share.

Share Registry means Automic Pty Ltd.

Special Resolution means a resolution that can only be passed if at least 75% of the total votes cast by Shareholders entitled to vote on the resolution are voted in its favour at the meeting.

Spill Meeting means the meeting that will be convened within 90 days of the 2025 AGM if a threshold of votes is cast against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at the Meeting and the 2025 AGM.

Spill Resolution means the resolution required to be put to Shareholders at the 2025 AGM if a threshold of votes is cast against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at the Meeting and the 2025 AGM.

Trading Day has the meaning given to that term in ASX Listing Rule 19.12.

Your proxy voting instruction must be received by **10.00am (AEST) on Sunday, 21 April 2024**, being **not later than 48 hours** before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Voting instructions received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled Meeting.

SUBMIT YOUR PROXY

Complete the form overleaf in accordance with the instructions set out below.

YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

The name and address shown above is as it appears on the Company's share register. If this information is incorrect, and you have an Issuer Sponsored holding, you can update your address through the investor portal: <https://investor.automic.com.au/#/home> Shareholders sponsored by a broker should advise their broker of any changes.

STEP 1 – APPOINT A PROXY

If you wish to appoint someone other than the Chair of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of that Individual or body corporate. A proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company. Otherwise if you leave this box blank, the Chair of the Meeting will be appointed as your proxy by default.

DEFAULT TO THE CHAIR OF THE MEETING

Any directed proxies that are not voted on a poll at the Meeting will default to the Chair of the Meeting, who is required to vote these proxies as directed. Any undirected proxies that default to the Chair of the Meeting will be voted according to the instructions set out in this Proxy Voting Form, including where the Resolutions are connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of KMP.

STEP 2 - VOTES ON ITEMS OF BUSINESS

You may direct your proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. All your shares will be voted in accordance with such a direction unless you indicate only a portion of voting rights are to be voted on any item by inserting the percentage or number of shares you wish to vote in the appropriate box or boxes. If you do not mark any of the boxes on the items of business, your proxy may vote as he or she chooses. If you mark more than one box on an item your vote on that item will be invalid.

APPOINTMENT OF SECOND PROXY

You may appoint up to two proxies. If you appoint two proxies, you should complete two separate Proxy Voting Forms and specify the percentage or number each proxy may exercise. If you do not specify a percentage or number, each proxy may exercise half the votes. You must return both Proxy Voting Forms together. If you require an additional Proxy Voting Form, contact Automic Registry Services.

SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

Individual: Where the holding is in one name, the Shareholder must sign.

Joint holding: Where the holding is in more than one name, all Shareholders should sign.

Power of attorney: If you have not already lodged the power of attorney with the registry, please attach a certified photocopy of the power of attorney to this Proxy Voting Form when you return it.

Companies: To be signed in accordance with your Constitution. Please sign in the appropriate box which indicates the office held by you.

Email Address: Please provide your email address in the space provided.

By providing your email address, you elect to receive all communications despatched by the Company electronically (where legally permissible) such as a Notice of Meeting, Proxy Voting Form and Annual Report via email.

CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES

If a representative of the corporation is to attend the Meeting the appropriate 'Appointment of Corporate Representative' should be produced prior to admission. A form may be obtained from the Company's share registry online at <https://automic.com.au>.

Lodging your Proxy Voting Form:

Online

Use your computer or smartphone to appoint a proxy at <https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah> or scan the QR code below using your smartphone

Login & Click on 'Meetings'. Use the Holder Number as shown at the top of this Proxy Voting Form.



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