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iCITY London appoints Gavin Poole as CEO

iCITY London, one of the shortlisted proposals for the legacy uses of the Press Centre and Broadcast Centre on the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, today announces that Gavin Poole, former Executive Director of leading Westminster think tank The Centre for Social Justice, has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer.

Gavin has been appointed to deliver iCITY's vision to transform the Press and Broadcast Centres on the Park into a world-class hub of innovation and enterprise.

Commenting, Gavin Poole, newly-appointed CEO of iCITY London, said:

"I am delighted to have the opportunity to lead iCITY London. Having spent the last three years working closely with communities across the country learning about the importance of education, employment and enterprise, the chance to work on a once in a lifetime project with the possibility to deliver real and sustainable change is very exciting."

"iCITY hopes to build a sustainable legacy from the Olympic and Paralympic Games and to provide a springboard for regeneration and growth across London and the UK, and I am hugely excited to be a part of this."

Commenting, Martin Lynch, Chief Executive of Infinity SDC, anchor tenant of iCITY, added:

"We are delighted that Gavin is joining iCITY. Gavin brings a wealth of experience working with entrepreneurs and business start-ups, that should iCITY become the successful bidder in the competitive process will be invaluable in making iCITY an exciting place for both business and the community and a great place to work."

Notes to Editors

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1) About the Press and Broadcast Centres The London Legacy Development Corporation (previously the Olympic Park Legacy Company) invited interested parties to submit proposals to become the long term tenant of the Press Centre and Broadcast Centre. The proposal for iCITY was submitted in early December. For further information visit <http://www.londonlegacy.co.uk>

2) About iCITY

iCITY is a once in a lifetime project that will transform the Press and Broadcast Centres on the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park into a world-class centre of innovation and enterprise,

driving the regeneration of East London and economic growth across the UK for the next decade and beyond. iCITY will create thousands of employment, education and training opportunities for young people, helping to develop East London's thriving and dynamic Tech City into a world-leading centre for technological expertise. iCITY will support innovation and enterprise through a world class technological infrastructure, powered by a state of the art data centre from the UK's leading data centre operator. iCITY is a subsidiary of Infinity SDC established to create a long term legacy use for the Press and Broadcast centre.

3) About Gavin Poole

Gavin worked at the Centre for Social Justice (CSJ) for over three and a half years, and was the Executive Director for more than two of those years.

During this time he led the CSJ through a period of unprecedented change and ensured the organisation was seen as cross-party, independent and with leading political figures from all parties involved. His success ensured that the CSJ maintained its position as a leading Westminster think tank following the move of its former Chairman (Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith MP) into the coalition government.

Gavin has an impressive leadership background having served for over 20 years in the Royal Air Force where he commanded men and women in the UK and overseas on operations. He is used to complex multi-team scenarios often scattered across the globe. As a Wing Commander, Gavin worked at the highest of levels politically as a military advisor to the last government's defence team in the MoD prior to leaving and joining the CSJ.

A mechanical engineer by background, Gavin holds an MBA from Cranfield, and an MA from Kings College London.

4) About Infinity SDC

Infinity provides a capital-free, outsourced data centre service to private and public sector organisations. With one of the most experienced management teams in the industry and backed by two of the UK's leading financial institutions, Infinity has the capability and depth of funding to provide highly efficient data centre solutions matched to customers' operational needs. For further information visit <http://www.infinitysdc.com>

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