

Appointments Commission

Minutes of the Meeting of the Appointments Commission (AC)

30 November 2021

1st Floor Meeting Room, Murray House, Douglas

Present: Mr Alan Teare (Chair) (AT)
Mrs Helen Booth (HB)
Ms Kim Corlett (KC)
Mr Simon Jones (SJ)
Mr Anthony Charnley (AC)

Secretary: Kate Hooson-Owen

The meeting commenced at 09:30

79/21	1. Minutes	
	<p>The minutes of the meeting held on 26 October 2021 which had been circulated prior to this meeting, were agreed, signed and approved for placing on the website.</p> <p><i>Action: Secretary to place minutes on website</i></p>	KHO
80/21	2. Consideration of Index of Tribunals:	
	<p>The Commission reviewed the new index of tribunals and determined to update it with the agreed amendments.</p> <p><i>Action: Secretary to amend.</i></p>	KHO
81/21	3. Proposed Tribunal structure and resourcing:	
	<p>The Commission determined to contact the Cabinet Office regarding the ongoing tribunal review.</p> <p><i>Action: Secretary to contact the Cabinet Office</i></p> <p>The Commission determined to write to congratulate the new Minister and to seek assurances that the work that their predecessor had carried out regarding the tribunal review would continue as part of the important change agenda.</p> <p><i>Action: Secretary to draft correspondence</i></p>	KHO KHO
82/21	4. Social Security Appeal Tribunal	
	<p>The Commission agreed to contact a member of the Social Security team in the absence of the Director of Social Security to ask them to provide an update.</p> <p><i>Action: Secretary to contact Social Security.</i></p>	KHO
83/21	5. Order for removal of Tribunal Members:	
	<p>The Commission considered the amendments that the Attorney General's Office had sent through in relation to the draft order for the removal of members. There were</p>	

	<p>minor amendments to be made.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Secretary to send amendments to the Attorney General's Office.</p>	KHO
84/21	<p>6. DHSC Complaints Regulations</p> <p>The Commission determined to write to the Department to ask it to send a copy of the results of the public consultation.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Secretary to write to the Department</p>	KHO
85/21	<p>7. Recruitment:</p> <p>a) Health Services Consultative Committee – The Commission determined to advertise externally for 3 lay members.</p> <p>b) Work Permit Appeal Tribunal – The Commission determined to offer a warrant of appointment to one of its existing tribunal members.</p> <p>c) Office of Fair Trading Financial Services Ombudsman Scheme – The Commission considered applications and agreed to interview shortlisted applicants.</p> <p>d) Legal Aid Appeals Tribunal – Expressions of interest to be sought for a member.</p> <p>e) Warrants were signed for the following:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Social Security Appeal Tribunal – Orla Austin (Chair) & Felicity Kniveton (Chair) Dr David Firth (Medically qualified member)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Independent Prison Adjudicators – Michelle Norman (Independent Adjudicator)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Office of Fair Trading Financial Services Ombudsman Scheme – David Keates (Adjudicator)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Mental Health Review Tribunal – Dr Packeerowther Saleem (Medically qualified member)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Copyright Tribunal – Geraldine Watterson (Member) & Jason Kelly (Member)</p>	
86/21	<p>8. Chair of Employment and Equality response:</p> <p>The Commission noted the correspondence it received to its response from the Chair of the tribunal. It determined to contact the Manager of the Tribunals section to ask for feedback in relation to the downturn in employment and equality cases that have reached the tribunal stage.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Secretary to contact the</p>	KHO
87/21	<p>9. Appointment Commission members</p> <p>The Chair acknowledged, with regret, that it was the penultimate meeting as a member of the Commission for Helen Booth. The Commission wished to place on record its thanks and appreciation for her passionate commitment and dedication both as a Chair and member over the last 10 years.</p>	

	The Chair also acknowledged, with regret, that it was the penultimate meeting as a member of the Commission for Simon Jones due to his resignation. The Commission wished to place on record its thanks and appreciation for his enthusiasm and commitment over the last 4 years.	
88/21	10. Any other business There being no further business the meeting was closed at 12:30.	
89/21	11. Agree and sign off action points Reviewed, discussed and agreed.	
	The meeting concluded at 12:30 Chair..... <i>Alan Lewis</i> Date..... <i>25 Jan 2022</i>	
	Sessions claimed 5 members attended 5 sessions claimed	

