Appointments Commission

Minutes of the Meeting of the Appointments Commission (AC)

31 January 2023

1st Floor Meeting Room, Murray House, Douglas

Present: Mr Alan Teare (Chair) (AT)

Ms Kim Corlett (KC)

Mr Stephen Cregeen (SC)

Mr Anthony Charnley (AC)

Mr Paul Coppell (PC)

Secretary: Kate Hooson-Owen

(KHO)

The meeting commenced at 09:30

1/23	1. Minutes	
	The minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2022, which had been circulated prior to this meeting, required a minor amendment, before uploading onto the website.	
	Action: Secretary to make amendment	кно
2/23	2. Attendance Allowance Order 2008	
	10:00 Officers from Treasury attended the meeting to make the Department aware of the impact the level of remuneration is having on the Commissions ability to recruit high quality Chairs and members to Tribunals and other bodies. The Commission informed the Department that an urgent interim solution needed to be found.	
	The Department concluded that it would raise the issue with the Treasury Board and would put a proposal via the Treasury Minister for consideration that an uplift in allowance at this stage would be preferred. Treasury asked that the Commission provide it with data relating to the difficulties it has in recruiting to Tribunals and other bodies.	
	Action: Secretary to provide Treasury with data	кно
3/23	3. Health and Social Care Ombudsman Body	
	The Commission noted that interviews for the Health and Social Care Ombudsman Body are scheduled for 15 and 16 February 2023.	
4/23	4. Training and development for Tribunal Chairs and members	
-	The Commission noted the correspondence it received from the Isle of Man Law Society dated 30 January 2023. It determined to respond and thank them for providing feedback from their members and that the Commission would keep the Law Society updated with its progress.	
	Action: Secretary to respond with thanks to the Law Society	кно

5/23	5. Consideration of Index of Tribunals:	
	The Index of Tribunals was considered and the Commission agreed to update the Index with the recent new appointments.	
6/23	6. Proposed Tribunal structure and resourcing:	
	Following the brainstorming meeting the Commission held on 3 November 2022 it agreed to hold a separate meeting to review the list of topics that had been discussed to prioritise and move the items forward.	
	Action: Secretary to include the item on the next agenda	кно
7/23	7. Order for removal of Tribunal Members:	
	The Commission considered the correspondence it had received from the Attorney Generals Chambers. It determined to respond to see if feedback had been provided by General Registry regarding the draft Order.	v.
	Action: Secretary to contact the Attorney Generals Chambers	КНО
8/23	8. Correspondence	
	The Commission noted it had received further correspondence from an individual on 17 January 2023 which was forwarded to the General Registry. The Commission await an update to its correspondence with the Department.	
	Action: Await an update from General Registry	Gen Reg
9/23	9. Legal Aid Committee	
	The Commission noted correspondence it had received from Treasury. It determined to respond.	
	Action: Secretary to draft a response	КНС
10/23	10.Recruitment:	
	 a) Independent Prison Adjudicator – Following a resignation from an Adjudicator the Commission determined to advertise the vacancy. b) Social Services independent Review Body – The Commission agreed to appoint a temporary Chair due to a conflict of interest 	
	c) Financial Services Ombudsman Scheme – The Commission agreed to interview on 9 February 2023.	
	 d) Health and Social Care Committee – Interviews scheduled for 2 February 2023 e) Interception of Communications – The Commission determined to re- advertise as it had received no applications. 	
	 f) Legal Aid Committee – A warrant was signed for Robert Ayre g) Social Security Appeals Tribunal – A warrant was signed for John Lindon and Roslyn Gale and the Commission noted the resignation from one of the deputy Chairs. It determined to advertise the vacancy. 	
	h) Legal Aid Appeals Tribunal – A warrant was signed for John Butler i) Health and Social Care Ombudsman Body – The Commission agreed to interview applicants in February 2023.	

	j) Employment and Equality Tribunal – A warrant was signed for Douglas Stewart as Chair.	
11/23	11. Any other business	
	There being no further business the meeting was closed at 13:30.	
12/23	12. Agree and sign off action points	
	Reviewed, discussed and agreed.	
	The meeting concluded at 13:30	
	Chair Men Clay Date 28th February 2023	
	Sessions claimed	
	5 members attended 5 sessions claimed	