

Audit Committee, 26 November 2015

Election of Chair

Executive summary and recommendations

Introduction

At the meeting of Council in February 2014, Richard Kennett was appointed as Chair of the Audit Committee. In accordance with the process for the election of Chairs of Committees, it is now necessary for the Committee to make a nomination to the Council for ratification. It should be noted that Richard Kennett is eligible for reappointment.

Once the Committee has decided on their nomination, this will be submitted for ratification by Council at their meeting on 3 December 2015.

Decision

The Committee is requested to nominate a person to be appointed by the Council as Chair of the Audit Committee.

Background information

None

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Appendices

Process for the election of Chairs of Committees

Date of paper

12 November 2015

Process for the election of Chairs of Committees

Introduction

The Health and Social Work Professions Order 2001 provides for all Committee appointments (including sub-committees) to be made by the Council and, therefore, the appointment of Committee Chairs is made by the Council.

Process

- At its first meeting, each committee is asked to nominate a person to be appointed by the Council as Chair of that committee.
- The nomination(s) is then submitted to Council for ratification.
- In the event that only one member is nominated then, unless the Council decides to the contrary, that person will be appointed as Chair.
- If more than one member is nominated or the committee cannot agree on a nomination, then, in relation to the candidates nominated or who have put themselves forward, a secret ballot will be conducted by the Secretary of the Council among the members of Council present.
- Before the ballot is conducted each candidate will be given the opportunity, if they so wish, to address the Council for not more than five minutes.
- The members nominated may scrutinise the ballot process or appoint another member to do so on their behalf.
- The Registrar will announce the result of the ballot to the meeting and the winning candidate will be appointed as Chair.
- The term of office of Chairs is two years.

Agreed at 12 July 2005 Council meeting