

Finance and Resources Committee 30 July 2009

Nomination of Chair

Executive summary and recommendations

Introduction

The Committee is asked to nominate a Chair to preside at any meeting of the Committee.

The Committee's nomination will be submitted to the Council for approval.

Decision

The Committee is asked to nominate a Chair to preside at any meeting of the Committee.

Background information

The Committee's standing orders provide that, if the Chair is absent from, or otherwise unable to preside at, a meeting the members present shall nominate one of their number to serve as chair at that meeting.

The person nominated as Chair will be asked to become a signatory to the bank mandate.

Resource implications

None.

Financial implications

None.

Appendices

Process for nomination of Chair, agreed by Council on 12 July 2005.

Date of paper

6 July 2009.

Process for the election of Chairmen of Committees

Introduction

The Health Professions Order 2001 provides for all Committee appointments (including sub-committees) to be made by the Council and, therefore, the appointment of Committee chairmen is made by the Council and not the Committee concerned.

Process

- At its first meeting, each committee is asked to nominate a person to be appointed by the Council as chairman of that committee.
- In the event that only one member is nominated then, unless the Council decides to the contrary, that person will be appointed as Chairman.
- 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 Chairman.
- The term of office of Chairmen is two years.

Agreed at 12 July 2005 Council meeting