

MINUTES

15 February 2023 11.30-12.00

By video conference

Agenda

- 1. Apologies and conflicts of interest
- 2. Review of the Chairman's conflicts of interest
- 3. AOB

Attendees

Present

Nicholas Serota Senior Independent Director (Chair)

Shirley Garrood Non-executive Director Elan Closs Stephens Non-executive Director

With

Phil Harrold Company Secretary
Chris Sandford Head of Governance
Sarah Jones Group General Counsel

Alice Hickey Senior Counsel

Not present:

Richard Sharp Chairman

Tim Davie Director-General

1. Apologies and Conflicts of Interest

1.1 The Committee were meeting without the Chairman and Director-General present.

The Senior Independent Director was sitting as Chair for the session. There were no conflicts of interest raised.

2. Review of the Chairman's conflicts of interest

- 2.1 The Committee discussed the context and draft scope for a review of the Chairman's conflicts of interest. The review had arisen from recent coverage of matters relating to the period prior to the Chairman's appointment and it was noted that the appointment process was not in scope of any BBC review. The process being conducted by the Office of the Commissioner for Public Appointments was noted and it was agreed that this work should be allowed to complete ahead of any final conclusions being discussed by the Nominations Committee. Initial work and evidence gathering would begin immediately.
- 2.2 The Committee agreed the scope of the work, subject to comments raised in the discussion, and requested a note to be circulated following the meeting setting out the final agreed terms of reference, proposed data to be gathered as part of the work and a proposal for the key questions to be addressed. It was agreed that the Committee would seek to discuss the issues with the Chairman at the appropriate time, with a report on the discussion to be produced.

3. AOB

3.1 There were no items of other business.