

Open Session Item 4ii

Board Resolution

The current Chair of the Board, Alan Kershaw, was appointed on temporary basis following the resignation of the previous Chair. A temporary Chair can remain in post for one full year, plus two additional six-month periods if the Board agrees. The combined two-year period will expire in June 2022 requiring the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) to run a full public appointment process.

The timetable for the DLUHC-led public appointments process required confirmation from ARB about the daily rate pay for the Chair and for Board Members by 19 November 2021 to meet their campaign schedule for the permanent Chair and Board Member vacancies that ARB is carrying. We understand the Department's intention is to launch the campaign in the first week in December and have an appointment for a permanent Chair confirmed by the end of April 2022. Information in the advert for a permanent Chair of ARB will include the daily remuneration rate. Any delay in providing that information would put at risk an appointment being made before the temporary Chair's term of office expires in June 2022.

On 9 November 2021 the Board was asked, via write round, to consider the following recommendations:

- i. Approves an updated pay rate for the Chair's remuneration at £525 per day;
- ii. Notes the Remuneration and Appointments Committee will be discussing the expected time commitment including the likely number of days the Chair will be expected to commit to ARB business each year at their meeting on 19 November 2021; and
- iii. Notes that recommendations on the overall package including expected days and whether to pay the Chair a monthly fixed rate will be brought to the Board on 1 December 2021 for decision.

By 19 November 2021, eight Board members had agreed all recommendations noted above. One Board member had not submitted their vote and the Chair indicated he would not be voting given the conflict of interest. A majority of Board members voted in favour, meaning the campaign should move ahead based on the above agreed pay rates.