



HOUSE OF LORDS COMMISSION

Decisions

Wednesday 4 July 2018

ATTENDANCE

- Lord Speaker (Chairman)
- Baroness Doocey
- Mathew Duncan (external member)
- Baroness Evans of Bowes Park
- Liz Hewitt (external member)
- Lord Laming
- Lord McFall of Alcluith
- Baroness McIntosh of Hudnall
- Lord Newby
- Baroness Smith of Basildon
- Lord Wakeham

Ed Ollard, Clerk of the Parliaments, was in attendance. Apologies were received from Lord Hope of Craighead.

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Commission **agreed** the records of discussion of the previous meeting of the House of Lords Commission on 2 May 2018.

2. RESTORATION AND RENEWAL: GOVERNANCE IN SHADOW PHASE

Paper from Tom Healey, Programme Director, and David Livesley, Head of Business Processes, R&R
C/17-19/41 RESERVED

The Commission **asked for the paper to be redrafted** and circulated once again for consideration at the meeting in September.

3. INDEPENDENT COMPLAINTS AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Paper from Ed Ollard, Clerk of the Parliaments
C/17-19/42 RESERVED

The Commission:

- **endorsed** the Behaviour Code for Parliament and **referred** it to the Sub-Committee on Lords' Conduct;
- **invited** the Sub-Committee on Lords' Conduct to consider and report on how to integrate any new processes and procedures for investigating bullying, harassment

and sexual harassment into existing processes for investigating breaches of the Code of Conduct;

- **took note** of the additional training provision expected to be developed for members of the House and their staff and **invited** the Services Committee to consider this further;
- **took note** of the proposals regarding culture change; and
- **endorsed** the approach to tendering for additional support, HR and investigatory services required to support the programme and **noted** the indicative costs for the initial contracts.

4. FINANCIAL REMIT REVIEW AND FINANCIAL PLANNING TIMETABLE

Paper from Mostaque Ahmed, Director of Finance
C/17-19/43 RESERVED

The Commission **agreed** to exclude any such costs from the financial remit and **noted** the timetable for developing and agreeing the next Medium Term Financial Plan, as agreed with the Finance Committee.

5. RELOCATION CONTINGENCY VENUE

Paper from Mostaque Ahmed, Director of Finance
C/17-19/44 RESERVED

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6. UPDATE ON THE HOUSE OF LORDS ADMINISTRATION

Paper from Ed Ollard, Clerk of the Parliaments
C/17-19/45 RESERVED

The Commission **took note**.

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Patrick Milner
Secretary to the Commission