

# NOMINATIONS AND REMUNERATION COMMITTEE (NRC) TERMS OF REFERENCE

# Purpose

The purpose of the NRC is to assist the Board of Directors (Board) in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities, specifically the ongoing review, monitoring and assessment of the following:

- Remuneration Policy for Non-Executive Directors, Executive Directors and Material Risk Takers (MRT);
- Application of the principles of the UK Corporate Governance Code relating to remuneration and the FCA's Remuneration Code;
- Nomination of any Non-Executive Director, Executive Director and/or Material Risk Taker; and
- Whistleblowing Arrangements

## Constitution

The NRC is a second line Board Sub-Committee reporting to the Board.

### **Authority**

The Committee is authorised by the Board to investigate any activity within its terms of reference.

The Committee is authorised to obtain external legal or other professional advice and to secure the attendance of anyone it considers has relevant experience, expertise or knowledge.

The Committee is authorised to seek any information it requires from any employee and all employees are directed to co-operate with any request made by the Committee.

Minutes of each meeting are issued to all Committee members and to the Board.

The Committee may from time to time investigate, discuss or review matters outside its terms of reference if required to do so by the Board.

The Committee will relinquish all authority to the Crisis Management Committee (CMC) in the event that Committee is invoked.

## Membership

All members of the Committee must be independent Non-Executive Directors of the Society.

The Society's Board Chair must not be a member of the Committee.

Non-Executive Director (Chair) – Appointed by the Board

Non-Executive Director

#### Attendees

Chair of the Board

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) & MLRO

Head of HR, Training, Facilities and H&S

Finance Director

Minute Taker

Other staff members may be requested to attend and report as necessary



## **Attendance at Meetings**

In the absence of the Chair, remaining Committee members shall elect one of them to be Chair for that meeting.

The quorum necessary for the transaction of business of the Committee shall be two (2) Committee members.

All matters shall be decided by a majority of votes. Every member present, including the Chair, shall have one vote. In the event of a tie, or if there is any fundamental disagreement between the two members, this must be referred to the Board for decision.

## **Frequency of Meetings**

The Committee will meet at least once each year.

Additional meetings are called as required by the Chair of NRC.

#### **Duties**

#### **Nomination Matters**

- Lead a formal, rigorous and transparent process for appointments to the Board
- Recommend to Board, the appointment and/or removal of Non-Executive Directors, Executive Directors and Material Risk Takers (MRT)
- Identify and nominate, for the approval of the Board, candidates to fill Board vacancies as and when they arise
- Review, at least annually, the Board's succession planning arrangements

#### **Remuneration Matters**

- Review and approve the Remuneration Policy in the context of
  - UK Corporate Governance Code;
  - Remuneration Code and;
  - o All other relevant codes, laws and regulations.

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- Agree the business objectives against which the Non-Executive Directors, Executive Directors and MRT are appraised
- Determine overall remuneration levels for Non-Executive Directors, Executive Directors and MRT also referred to as Remuneration Code staff with reference to:
  - Overall market positioning of the remuneration package
  - o Annual pay award
  - Annual and long-term incentive/bonus arrangements and set the relevant targets for any performance related schemes
- Receive, review and approve the Independent Report on Remuneration prepared by the Society's Chief Risk Officer

#### **Whistleblowing Matters**

- Review and recommend for approval to the Board the Whistleblowing Policy
- Receive and review the Annual Whistleblowing Report



# **Other Matters**

- Review and approve the Strengthening Accountability Framework
- Consider other topics as defined by the Board
- Review, agree and recommend for approval to the Board, the Terms of Reference of the NRC and Senior Independent Director (SID)
- Review and recommend for approval to the Board: Job Descriptions and Statement of Responsibilities for Non-Executive Directors, Executive Directors and MRT
- Delegate all other HR matters to the Executive