



Council
20 July 2021
Chairs Report: appointments and reappointments

Classification	Public
Purpose	For noting
Issue	This paper seeks to appoint Andrew Harvey as the Chair of the Health Committee, on an interim basis, and for no longer than until 31 March 2022.
Recommendation(s)	To appoint Andrew Harvey as the interim Chair of the Health Committee.
Financial and resourcing implications	Costs associated with appointments and reappointments were included in the budget approved by Council in February 2021.
Equality and diversity implications	Matters related to equality and diversity are considered by the Remuneration and Appointments Committee at all stages of the appointments and reappointments process.
Communications implications	None arising from this paper.
Annex(es)	None
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Key messages from paper:

- We need to appoint a new Chair of the Health Committee following the end of the term of office of the previous incumbent.
- An internal process to determine whether an existing lay member of the Professional Conduct Committee may be suitable has yet to fully conclude.
- We propose an interim appointment, being that of Andrew Harvey, who is already Chair of the Professional Conduct Committee. This appointment would last no longer than 31 March 2022.

Background

1. General Osteopathic Council (GOsC) has three independent fitness to practise committees: the Investigating Committee; the Professional Conduct Committee and the Health Committee.
2. Each committee needs to have a Chair of the committee.

Discussion

Chair of the Health Committee

3. We currently do not have a Chair of the Health Committee following the departure of the previous incumbent at the end of their term of office. A process to determine whether there is a suitable internal candidate, from the pool of existing Professional Conduct Committee (PCC) panel members, has yet to fully conclude.
4. There is no impact on GOsC hearing any fitness to practise health cases as these are heard by those members appointed to the PCC, acting as the Health Committee.
5. As the internal process has yet to fully conclude, and in order that we have a Chair of the Health Committee, it is proposed that the existing Chair of the PCC, Andrew Harvey, be appointed on an interim basis.
6. This interim appointment would be until 31 March 2022 at the latest, and the appointment may conclude earlier if a suitable internal candidate is identified.

Recommendation: to appoint Andrew Harvey as the interim Chair of the Health Committee.