Report of decisions



MEETING: ICAEW Regulatory Board (IRB)

DATE & TIME: 2 October 2019

LOCATION: Boardroom, Chartered Accountants' Hall

CHAIR: Michael Caplan

SECRETARY: Tracy Stanhope

ATTENDEES: Board members: Staff:

Andrew Goldsworthy
Ann Wright
Claire Phillips
Ian Leigh
Duncan Wiggetts
Jane Titley
Matthew Downton
Michael Sufrin
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Annabel Joester
Claire Phillips
Duncan Wiggetts
Matthew Downton
Michelle Giddings
Peter James

Pauline Wallace Philip Nicol-Gent Steve Barrow

APOLOGIES Chris Fraser, David Chitty

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18 June 2019 were approved by the IRB and signed by the chair.

Disciplinary bye laws

The IRB agreed in principle to a review of ICAEW's disciplinary framework, including the disciplinary bye laws and associated regulations. A sub group of IRB members was set up to progress the review.

Audit

The IRB approved the joint regulations for the UK and Ireland updated for the Companies Act 2018 and also the regulations for the UK in the event of a no-deal Brexit.

Costs of disciplinary hearings

The IRB agreed to an increase in the costs claimed in relation to Disciplinary and Appeal final hearings, and to set fixed costs in respect of newly introduced Sanctions hearings.

The IRB then decided to delegate the fixing of such costs to the Committee Secretary, noting that the Committee Secretary could bring the matter of costs to the IRB if she so wished, for example if a significant increase was planned.

QAD reviews

The IRB considered a matter raised by an ICAEW member concerning the scope of QAD reviews. The IRB decided there should be no change to the scope of such reviews.