Agenda Item no. 3(c)

Minutes of the meeting of the Electoral Commission held on Wednesday 6 April 2016 at 11.00 am

Present: Jenny Watson (JW)
Anna Carragher (AC)
Gareth Halliwell (GH)
Tony Hobman (TH)
John Horam (JH)
David Howarth (DH)
John McCormick (JMcC)
Alasdair Morgan (AM)
Bridget Prentice (BP)
Rob Vincent (RV)

In attendance: Claire Bassett (CB)
Bob Posner (BP1)
Alex Robertson (AR)
Kairen Zonena (KZ)
Louise Footner (LF)

1 Apologies

None.

2 Recusal Consideration (EC 25/16 plus TABLED appendix of Register of Interests for Electoral Commissioners)

2.1 The paper comprised Legal (including consequential risk) advice which Commissioners had been advised was strictly confidential and should not be shared with or disclosed to anyone in any form.
2.2 The paper set out a number of points for the Board’s consideration and decision. These were discussed, and questions and points of clarification asked and answered.

2.3 The Board had private discussion, and when staff returned to the room CB explained the implications of a course of action and the further advice which would be sought.

**Agreed:** That:-

(a) the paper and advice be noted and Commissioners take appropriate steps; and,

(b) the general principle under discussion be scheduled for further discussion in the future.

The meeting ended at 1.40 pm.

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