

## HEFCW Nominations Committee Annual Report 2018-19

### Introduction

- 1 This is the annual report on the work of the Nominations Committee for financial year 2018-19.

### Remit/Terms of reference

- 2 The Nominations Committee acts on behalf of the Council by approving appointments of Council members and non-Council members of suitable expertise to the committees of the Council. The Committee also approves the appointments of Council members or third parties as HEFCW nominees to external committees and panels. The Committee seeks to ensure that all such appointments are open, fair and promote equality of opportunity.
- 3 The remit of the Nominations Committee is published on the [Extranet](#) and on the [HEFCW website](#).

### Membership

- 4 The Committee is chaired by the Chair of Council. Its membership is made up of the chairs of each of the Council's committees, the Chief Executive and one independent member with expertise in recruitment and in equalities good practice in the higher education or public sectors. The independent member is not a member of the Council or of the Council's committees, other than the Human Resources Committee and/or Remuneration Committee.
- 5 Members who served on the Nominations Committee during the period covered by this report were:

Name	Status
David Allen	Chair of Council Chair of Nominations Committee Chair of Remuneration Committee
Professor Aaqil Ahmed	Chair of Human Resources Committee
Professor Sir Keith Burnett	Chair of Student Opportunity and Achievement Committee
Professor Christine Ennew	Chair of Regulation Committee
Professor Helen Marshall	Chair of Quality Assessment Committee
David Mason	Chair of Audit and Risk Assurance Committee
Professor Robin Williams	Chair of Research, Innovation and Engagement Committee (to 31 July 2018)

Name	Status
Professor Mark Smith	Chair of Research Wales Committee (formerly Research, Innovation and Engagement Committee)
Dr Colin Wyatt	Chair of Human Resources Committee (to 21 April 2018)
Dr David Blaney	Chief Executive
Gill George	Independent member

## Meetings

- 6 The Committee normally conducts its business via email correspondence. All proposed appointments/reappointments are emailed by the Council Secretary to each Nominations Committee member, along with information in support of the proposal provided by the relevant chair of the committee to which the appointment is to be made. Once approval has been received from all Nominations Committee members, the Council Secretary informs the relevant committee secretary to take forward, and the outcome is reported to the next meeting of the Council.

## Appointments and reappointments approved by the Nominations Committee 2018-19

### 7.1 *Appointments of Council members to committees:*

During 2018-19, as a consequence of a number of changes to the membership of the Council there were also several changes made to the Council members serving on committees. The following Council member appointments were approved by the Chair of Council or by the Nominations Committee, as appropriate, during the year:

#### **Deputy Chair of Council**

Professor Mark Smith was identified by the Chair of Council as the new Deputy Chair of Council from 1 April 2019, in consultation with other Council members and the Nominations Committee.

#### **Audit and Risk Assurance Committee**

Dr John Graystone (Chair\* from 1 April 2019)

#### **Human Resources Committee**

Professor Aaqil Ahmed (Chair\*)  
Sarah John

#### **Quality Assessment Committee**

Professor Helen Marshall (Chair\*)  
Dr John Graystone  
Rob Humphreys

#### **Regulation Committee**

Professor Christine Ennew (Chair\*)

Dr David Blaney  
Rob Humphreys

**Remuneration Committee**

Professor Aaqil Ahmed (Chair\* from 2019-20)  
Sarah John

**Research, Innovation and Engagement Committee (subsequently re-named Research Wales Committee)**

Professor Mark Smith (Chair\*)  
Professor Sir Keith Burnett  
James Davies

**Student Opportunity and Achievement Committee**

Professor Sir Keith Burnett (Chair\*)  
James Davies  
Sarah John  
Rob Humphreys

\* In accordance with the Committee Standing Orders, the new chairs of committees were appointed by the Chair of Council in consultation with other Council members.

**7.2 Appointments of non-Council members to committees:**

The following non-Council member appointments were approved by the Nominations Committee during the year:

**Audit and Risk Assurance Committee**

- Andrew Lewis, re-appointed as independent member (to 15 November 2021)
- Martin Lewis, appointed as a new independent member (to February 2022)

**Quality Assessment Committee**

- Alex Bols, appointed as new independent member (to 10 June 2021)
- Laura Porter, re-appointed as an independent member (to 31 August 2021)
- Dan Derricott, re-appointed as an independent member (to 31 August 2021)

**Regulation Committee**

Professor Sir Les Ebdon, Jo Richards and Professor Neil Marriott each were appointed as new independent members of the Committee for an initial two-year term (to November 2020).

**Research Wales Committee (previously Research, Innovation and Engagement Committee)**

Professor David Shepherd, re-appointed as an independent member (to 31 March 2021).

**Student Opportunity and Achievement Committee**

- Professor Ewart Keep, re-appointed as an independent member (to 30 September 2021)
- Professor Martin Stringer, re-appointed as an independent member (to 30 September 2021)
- Stuart Coombes, appointed as a new independent member (to January 2022)

**7.3 Appointments to external committees:**

**Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) Board**

Professor Oliver Turnball was appointed as HEFCW's nominee to the QAA Board (to August 2021).

**UK Healthcare Education Advisory Committee (UKHEAC)**

Dr Martin Steggall was appointed as HEFCW's sector representative on UKHEAC (to September 2021).