

Board responses to PAB Resolutions: 12 July 2006

For board approval

1. .net.uk conclusion and recommendations (Agenda item 8)

The PAB resolved to accept the conclusions of the .net.uk working group chair that the group is unable to come to a consensus on any proposed changes to the .net.uk SLD. The PAB further resolved that the rules should remain unchanged and that the working group should be closed.

Noted. The board requests that the PAB prepare a brief statement to address the concerns of those members who requested a change in the .net.uk rules, to communicate the reasoning for the PAB's decision to recommend no change.

2. Governance review PAB issues (Agenda item 9)

The PAB resolved to adopt the work programme set out at Annex A of the "Governance Review PAB Issues" paper, but requested the executive to bring forward the Dispute Resolution Service review consultation in order that the PAB might consider its response to the consultation at the November meeting if possible.

Agreed. The board request the Executive to move forward the timing of the DRS consultation to accommodate the PAB's request.

The PAB resolved to adopt the Register of Interests set out at Annex B of the "Governance Review PAB Issues" paper, and resolved that the Register should be maintained by the Company Secretary, reviewed as part of the annual audit, and a report included in the Annual Report.

Agreed.

The PAB resolved to adopt the proposals set out in the "Governance Review PAB Issues" paper in respect of the PAB Chair.

Agreed. The board notes that the PAB was unable to reach a decision regarding the title of the PAB, and reiterates that feedback from the membership and wider stakeholder community indicates that the current title of the PAB is causing confusion, in that many assume PAB members to be directors of the company, which is not the case. The board will continue to monitor the situation.

3. Internet Governance Forum (Agenda item 11)

The PAB resolved to support the executive's position on the Internet Governance Forum and to encourage .uk stakeholders to involve themselves in the process.

Noted. The board thanks the PAB for its support.