

This document contains respondents between 13 and 13 inclusive.

1. Do you support the idea of placing relevant stakeholders at the heart of the policy advisory process?

- Yes
 No

2. Do you support the PAB's proposal for the creation of issues groups to develop policy recommendations in response to stakeholder proposals?

- Yes
 No

3. Do you agree with the PAB's outline for issues groups (open membership, stakeholder led, time-limited, with a requirement to prepare an impact assessment, and working by consensus)?

- Yes
 No

Do you have any comments on the way that issues groups might work?

Problem with issue groups as proposed is that they will be dominated by full time policy wonks pushing their own company's or organisation's agenda. Most members won't be involved at all...

4. What mechanism should there be for selecting members of issues groups?

In particular, how might we ensure effective participation from Nominet members to bring necessary expertise into the discussions?

Good question: perhaps making sure that at least 2/3 of any group is from the membership?

5. Do you agree that "permanent" groups might be needed in certain cases?

- Yes
 No

6. Do you agree that "closed groups" (i.e. groups with invited membership) should be set up when this is necessary?

- Yes
 No

What issues might benefit from this approach?

Ones where it is going to be difficult - e.g. in relation to domain name suspensions!

7. Do you agree that a standing committee is necessary to provide some form of independent assessment of, and support for, the issues groups?

- Yes
 No

8. Do you agree that the tasks identified by the PAB for the standing committee are appropriate?

- Yes
 No

9. Do you agree with the range of stakeholders identified by the PAB for the membership of the standing committee?

- Yes
 No

How should members of the standing committee be identified?

In particular, how should Nominet member participation of the standing committee be chosen, bearing in mind the importance of ensuring balance representation?

It should be run by one or two Board Directors and the Nominet Secretariat, reporting to the Board, advised by the PAB.

10. Do you support the proposal for an enhanced secretariat taking an active role in the standing committee of stakeholders and for engaging with external stakeholders?

- Yes
 No

12. Please give us your contact details

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