

# Agenda

## Ofqual Board – 69<sup>th</sup> Meeting

**Date and Time:**

Wednesday 12 July 2017 10:00 – 16:05

**Venue:**

Room 4, Spring Place, Herald Avenue, Coventry, CV5 6UB.

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**21/17**      **10:00 - Closed Board Session**

**22/17**      **10:15 – Welcome and Apologies for absence**

**23/17**      **Declarations of interest**

**24/17**      **10:20 – Minutes** of the meeting held on the 17 May 2017 (**attached**)  
(*open*)

- **Matters arising** from past meetings of the Board (**attached**) (*open*)

**Reporting**

**25/17**      **10:30 – Chief Regulator’s Report**

Paper by the Chief Regulator (**attached**) (*closed*)

**To note the paper and consider any issues arising from it.**

**26/17**      **10:50 – Vocational and Technical Qualifications Update**

Paper by the Executive Director for Vocational and Technical Qualifications **(attached)** (*open*)

**The Board is asked to agree the refreshed strategy for our approach to Apprenticeship End Point Assessments and;**

**The Board is asked to approve the main features of ministerial advice on Applied Generals.**

(i). Applied Generals Board Note **(attached)** (*closed*)

(ii). Apprenticeships Paper and Presentation **(attached)** (*open*)

(iii). Current Regulated Qualifications Landscape Slides **(attached)**

### **12.20 – 13.00 Lunch**

#### **27/17 13:00 - Strategy, Risk and Research Update**

Paper by the Executive Director for Strategy, Risk and Research **(attached)** (*open*)

**To receive an update on Strategy, Risk and Research matters.**

**The Board is asked to agree a review (and subsequent consultation) of the Regulatory Framework for National Assessments in order for it to reflect Ofqual's regulatory approach.**

(i). Annex A – Strategic Risk Log **(attached)** (*closed*)

(ii). Updating Our Regulatory Framework for National Assessments **(attached)** (*open*)

#### **28/17 13:45 - General Qualifications Update**

Paper by the Executive Director for General Qualifications **(attached)** (*open*)

**The Board is asked to note the issues reported in the paper and to provide a steer on the approach to take to piloting in general qualifications.**

**29/17**      **14:30 - Chief Operating Officer's Report**

Paper by the Chief Operating Officer (**attached**) (*open*)

**The Board is asked to agree;**

- **the latest proposal for Ofqual's office location, and delegate further decisions to the Chief Regulator.**
- **the business case to fund a new HR /Finance system.**

**The Board is asked to;**

- **note and consider the latest position on the annual report and accounts.**
- **to provide its view on Ofqual's intention to undertake further paid for 9-1 advertising.**

This section has been redacted, as its publication would be prejudicial to the effective conduct of public affairs.

**30/17**      **15:20 - National Reference Test**

Paper by the Director, National Reference Test Project (**attached**)

**To receive an update on the outcome of the National Reference Test Project.**

**Governance**

**31/17**      **15:50 – Report on the work of Board committees**

Paper by the Interim Board Secretary (**attached**) (*closed*)

**To receive an update on the work of Board Committees:**

- **Finance Committee meeting held on 5 May 2017 (**attached**)**
- **Audit and Risk Assurance Committee meeting held on 11 May 2017 (**attached**)**

- Board Teleconference 20 June 2017 (**attached**)
- ARAC Annual Report (**attached**)
- Joint Audit and Risk Assurance Committee and Finance Committee held on 20 June 2017 (**attached**)
- Standards Advisory Group meeting held on 30 June (**verbal update**)

**32/17**      **16:00 – Publication of Papers**

**To agree that the open papers for this Board meeting should be published.**

**33/17**      **16:05 – Other Business**

**34/17**      **Date of Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday 20 September 2017.

## **Attendees**

### **Ofqual Board**

Roger Taylor	Chair
Sally Collier	Attending
Anne Heal	Apologies
Barnaby Lenon	Attending
Christine Ryan	Attending
David Wakefield	Attending
Frances Wadsworth	Attending
Hywel Jones	Attending
Julius Weinberg	Attending
Mike Cresswell	Attending
Neil Watts	Attending
Tom Taylor	Attending
Terri Scott	Attending

### **Ofqual**

Julie Swan	Executive Director for General Qualifications
Marc Baker	Chief Operating Officer
Michelle Meadows	Executive Director – Strategy, Risk and Research
Phil Beach	Executive Director for Vocational and Technical Qualifications
Salma Ahmed	Board Secretary
Naomi Nicholson	Interim Director Regulation of National Assessments
Tim Leslie	Director, National Reference Test Project
Dennis Opposs	Standards Chair
Clare Rowntree	Private Secretary
Katy Harding	Senior Manager, Management Accounts and Business Planning
Jan Roszkowski	Chief Information officer
Paul Bird	Associate Director, Finance

**Observers**

Steve Hickmott

Senior Manager – Regulation Development & Impact.

Jim Busher

Senior Manager, Strategic Policy