

Minutes.



Meeting: Standards Board
Location: Virtual
Date: 20 February 2025, 13.30 – 16.00 (GMT)

PRESENT:

The Chair (Richard Cooper), Michael Guthrie, Michelle Hourican and Yin Jones.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Director – Regulation and Conduct (Stefan Pegram), Lead – Regulator Reporting (Laura Murphy), Officer – Secretariat (Catriona Calnan) and Officer – Secretariat (Jo Burns).

APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies for absence.

1. MINUTES

The Committee approved the minutes of the meeting held on 13 November 2024.

The Board noted the actions log.

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Each member of the Board confirmed that they had no conflicts of interest.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair provided an update on developments since the last meeting.

4. TERMS OF REFERENCE, OTHER BOARD ARRANGEMENTS AND WORK PLAN FOR 2024-25 COUNCIL YEAR

The Board noted its Terms of Reference and approved the draft work plan for the 2024-25 Council year.

5. ANNUAL DEEP DIVE ON RULEBOOK AVAILABILITY AND COMMUNICATION OF RULEBOOK CHANGES

The Board noted the annual deep dive on the availability of the Rulebook and the communication of Rulebook changes.

6. BOARD EFFECTIVENESS REVIEW

The Board discussed the results of the Standards Board effectiveness review.

7. PRACTITIONER THEMES

The Board noted insights on the top issues and themes experienced by practitioners.

8. GLOBAL PRACTISING REGULATIONS RESTRUCTURE

The Board endorsed a proposal to restructure the Global Practising Regulations.

9. SCHEDULE OF REGULATION CHANGES FOR THE ACCA RULEBOOK

The Board noted the schedule of regulation changes likely to be considered in 2025 and implemented in 2025-26.

Chair