

**Appointment of a new Chair of the Conference Business Committee.**

Under SO136 the Council is required to send a nomination to Conference in respect of the chair of the Conference Business Committee (for the Representative Session of Conference). The chair must be an ex-President or ex-Vice-President and serve for three years. The nominee does not need to be an already identified member of Conference as they become a member of Conference by virtue of holding this role.

In the absence of more precise information relating to this appointment, I propose the following process:

- That all those eligible to serve, back to Conference 2000 (i.e. the last 8 Conferences) be contacted and invited to express interest in serving in this way.
- That a small group (consisting of the General Secretary, the Chair of the SRC, the incoming chair of the Council and a representative of the Council) be appointed to oversee a process which results in a single recommended nominee being identified.
- That the name of the recommended nominee be circulated by email to the Council for its acceptance.
- That this name is then presented to the Conference in Wolverhampton as the formal nominee of the Council for the role of Chair of the Conference Business Committee.

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