

REPORT FOR RESOLUTION

SUBJECT: Renewal of Appointment of Adjudicators
REPORT OF: The Chief Adjudicator, Traffic Penalty Tribunal

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To approve the renewals of appointment of the Adjudicators listed on Appendix 1 and to note those Adjudicators who do not wish their appointment to be renewed.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee:

- [i] approves the renewal of the appointment of each Adjudicator named in Part 1 of the Appendix for a further period of five years (or, in relevant cases, until the end of the year of their 70th birthday) as an Adjudicator for England under the Provisions of Regulation 11 of the Bus Lane Contraventions (Penalty Charges, Adjudication and Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2005.
- [ii] notes that the Adjudicators whose names are listed in Part 2 of the Appendix do not wish their appointments to be renewed, and requests the Chief Adjudicator to convey the Committee's thanks to each of them for their service to the Traffic Penalty Tribunal.

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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

Regulation 11 of the Bus Lane Contraventions (Penalty Charges, Adjudication and Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2005.

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 On 30 June 2006 the Adjudicators listed on the Part 1 of the Appendix were initially appointed as Bus Lane Adjudicators for England under the provisions of Regulation 11 of the Bus Lane Contraventions (Penalty Charges, Adjudication and Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2005. The Lord Chancellor consented to each appointment. The appointments were for a term concurrent with the appointments they held as parking adjudicators. Their appointments as parking adjudicators are due for renewal this year and therefore it is necessary to renew their appointments as bus lane adjudicators for a further five years.
- 1.2 The current policy of the Lord Chancellor is that judicial appointments cease in the year when the office holder reaches his or her 70th birthday. Therefore, unless there is a change in that policy in the meantime, those Adjudicators who will reach their 70th birthday within the next five years will cease to hold their appointment at the end of the year in which they become 70.
- 1.3 The Lord Chancellor has confirmed that he is content to be informed of such appointments that the Joint Committee sees fit to renew without being formally asked to give his express consent in each case.
- 1.4 The Adjudicators listed in Part 2 of the Appendix have indicated that they do not wish their appointments to be renewed. Mark Hinchliffe has become Deputy President of the Health, Education and Social Care Chamber of the Tribunals Service and Mark Emerton was recently appointed as a salaried Judge in the Employment Tribunals. The Joint Committee is requested to congratulate them on their appointments and thank for their service to the Traffic Penalty Tribunal (TPT).
- 1.5 Martin Block and Susan Hotchin both regret that due to commitments in their legal practices and judicial sittings in other jurisdictions they are unable to devote sufficient time to TPT and have indicated that they do not wish their appointment as an Adjudicator to be renewed. Andrew Prickett indicated some time ago that he could not undertake further sittings for TPT, but remained on the list of appointments as a reserve. He does not wish his appointment to be renewed. Again, the Committee are requested to convey through the Chief Adjudicator its thanks to these Adjudicators for their service to TPT.
- 1.6 The Lord Chancellor will be informed about those Adjudicators whose appointments are not being renewed.