

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

SUBJECT: Appointment of part-time adjudicators

REPORT OF: The Chief Adjudicator

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform the Joint Committee of the planned recruitment exercise.

RECOMMENDATION

1. To note the planned recruitment exercise of part time adjudicators.

FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES

Budgetary provision has been made for the recruitment process and the forthcoming budget process will take account of the appointment of additional adjudicators.

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Joint Committee has delegated the appointment of part-time fee-paid adjudicators to the Chief Adjudicator.
- 1.2 The appointments are subject to the consent of the Lord Chancellor.
- 1.3 The number of adjudicators has fallen to 23 including the Chief Adjudicator; this number will further reduce with forthcoming retirements.
- 1.4 The number of appeals to the Tribunal has increased and it is anticipated that the number will continue to rise. There is also the potential for the jurisdiction of the Tribunal to increase.
- 1.5 A recruitment exercise is planned for January 2013 with a view to 15 appointments being confirmed at the annual meeting of the Joint Committee in June 2013. The recruitment process will be undertaken in consultation with the Judicial Appointments Commission
- 1.6 It is anticipated that the recruitment exercise will attract a significant number of applicants. It is intended to undertake the recruitment using an on-line assessment process.
- 1.7 The Chief Adjudicator will report progress to Members at their meeting in November.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To note the planned recruitment exercise.