

APPOINTMENTS LAID BEFORE THE STATES OF DELIBERATION

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND TWO ORDINARY MEMBERS OF THE GUERNSEY COMPETITION AND REGULATORY AUTHORITY

In accordance with paragraph 1(4A) of Schedule 1 to the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2012, as amended, the following appointments by the Committee *for* Economic Development, to the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority (GCRA), are laid before the States of Deliberation:

- Mr. John Curran as chairman from 1st March 2023

Following a period as Interim Chairman of the GCRA, Mr. Curran has been appointed as permanent chairman for a period of 4 years until 28th February 2027.

The Committee *for* Economic Development has concluded that Mr. Curran is suitable to be chairman of the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority and an outline of his credentials is below:

A former Chief Executive of GCRA, Mr Curran led the integration of the Guernsey and Jersey regulators in 2010. He was Director General of the Guernsey Office of Utility Regulation from January 2005 before being asked to also head up the Jersey Competition & Regulatory Authority (JCRA) in 2010.

John is currently a Non-Executive Director of the Channel Islands Financial Ombudsman and of the Guernsey Data Protection Authority. He is Chairman of the Guernsey Employment Trust.

- Mr George Ritchie as ordinary member from 1st March 2023

Mr. Ritchie has been appointed as an ordinary member for a period of 4 years until 28th February 2027.

The Committee *for* Economic Development has concluded that Mr. Ritchie is suitable to be an ordinary member of the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority and an outline of his credentials is below:

Mr Ritchie is a highly accomplished senior executive, with over 12 years' experience operating at board level.

After an early legal career in private practice and government service, Mr Ritchie joined BT in 1995 as a regulatory, competition and public law lawyer. Starting in the consumer-facing part of BT, as telecoms regulation moved upstream, Mr Ritchie's career followed with it, enabling him to undertake the full gamut of telecoms regulatory and behavioural competition law work.

He was Chief Counsel Competition & Regulation for BT Wholesale from 2003 to 2009 and for BT Group from 2009 to 2017.

In 2017 Mr Ritchie helped negotiate BT's Commitments to make Openreach an independent subsidiary. He was then appointed Commitments Assurance Director, responsible for monitoring BT's compliance with the Commitments and accountable to the BT Compliance Committee (BTCC), a BT Group plc Board Committee, and Ofcom.

In 2020, Mr Ritchie secured BT Board approval to the BTCC taking on responsibility for monitoring BT's Consumer Fairness commitments. He retired from BT in 2022 after Ofcom announced it was satisfied the Openreach governance arrangements were fully embedded.

- Ms Hilary Jennings as Ordinary member from 1st March 2023

Ms. Jennings has been appointed as an ordinary member for a period of 4 years until 28th February 2027.

The Committee *for* Economic Development has concluded that Ms. Jennings is suitable to be an ordinary member of the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority and an outline of her credentials is below:

Hilary Jennings is a Board Member of the UK Regulatory Policy Committee and an independent consultant specialising in competition, regulation and market access policies.

Her core work over the last 25 years has been providing best practice advice to competition authorities and government departments, particularly in emerging economies, and working with organisations such as the European Commission, the OECD and the World Bank. She previously held senior roles at the OECD and the UK's Office of Fair Trading (now the CMA), as well as in the private sector.

The States of Deliberation have the power to annul these appointments.