

Treasury and Exchequer Ministerial Decision Report

Re-appointment of one Commissioner of Appeal

1. Purpose of Report

To enable the Minister to approve the re-appointment of one Commissioner of Appeal.

2. Background

The Commissioners of Appeal hear appeals from taxpayers, both individuals and businesses, who wish to dispute decisions or rulings made by the Comptroller of Revenue. Article 5 of the Revenue Administration (Jersey) Law 2019 requires that the Minister must appoint up to 12 Commissioners of Appeal for a term not exceeding three years. The Minister may re appoint Commissioners as long as the total aggregated period of all their appointments does not exceed nine years.

a) Re-appointment of one Commissioner of Appeal

The term of Office for Ross Gavey is due to expire on 21 April 2024 and the Minister is asked to re-appoint for a further three years from 22 April 2024. Re-appointment is considered appropriate as he has served conscientiously for the last three years covering a number of both delay cases and contentious hearings. He is willing to offer his services for a further three years.

Biography: Mr Ross Gavey Flod Cert IoD

Mr Gavey is resident in Jersey and currently holds the position of Head of Data Centre Partnerships with Sure International for the Channel Islands and Isle of Man. He has held previous roles with the Total Group and CICS. These roles, together with previous experience of running a business, have reflected expertise in the areas of commercial acumen, business development, relationship management, financial and operational oversight.

In addition to his role at Sure International, Mr Gavey has been a non-executive director for Juice 4 Life. His current position is viewed as not being objectionable to the appointment of Mr Gavey as a Commissioner of Appeal.

b) Existing Commissioners of Appeal

This re-appointment will continue to ensure the current bench of Commissioners of Appeal is maintained at the maximum 12.

3. Recommendation

The Minister is recommended to consider approving the re-appointment of this one Commissioner of Appeal.

4. Reasons for Decision

To retain the services of a conscientious Commissioner for a further period, which maintains the bench of Commissioners of Appeal at the maximum number

5. Resource Implications

There are no staffing implications arising from this proposition. A small level of remuneration is paid for these posts. The estimated annual cost in respect of all posts is in the region of £3,000 in total and will be met from existing Treasury and Exchequer cash limits.

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