

# **EARL SHILTON BUILDING SOCIETY**

## **Risk and Compliance Committee – Terms of Reference**

### **Constitution**

The Board has established a Committee to be known as the Risk & Compliance Committee.

### **Membership**

The Committee comprises three Non-Executive Directors as determined by the Board from time to time. The Committee is required to be competent and relevant to the Society's sector of operations. The Chairman of the Committee is appointed by the Board. A quorum shall be two members.

### **Attendance at meetings**

The Committee will meet quarterly. The Chief Executive, the Finance Director, the Regulation and Compliance Manager, Risk Officer, and IS & Estates Manager will normally be in attendance but may be asked to leave the meeting at certain junctures if this is considered appropriate for the consideration of the business of the meeting at that point. Any other director may attend with the consent of the Chairman of the Committee and the attendance of any member of staff may be required.

### **Authority**

The Committee may hold additional meetings as it feels appropriate. It may seek any information it requires from its employees and may, at its election, obtain legal or other professional advice and secure the attendance of third party advisors with relevant experience and expertise where it considers this is required to facilitate the business of the Committee.

### **Duties**

#### **• Risk**

- On a quarterly basis review the strategic risks of the Society, ensuring they fall within the set risk appetite and the risk mitigations are in place and effective, prior to its submission to the Board.
- On a quarterly basis review the risks held at business level, their movement towards or away from the agreed risk appetite score; consider the effectiveness of the current risk mitigations and proportionality of additional action plans proposed to reduce the risk.
- Review an annual report on all the risks recorded in the risk register and how these are being managed and mitigated.
- Review on an annual basis the Risks Management Policy and Strategy to ensure these reflect the current position and provide assurance that the risks facing the Society are being managed.
- On a quarterly basis review any Operational or Project risks shown as "red" or "amber".
- On a quarterly basis to review emerging (horizon) risks.
- To consider the adequacy of the resources available including capital resources as per the Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process (ICAAP). The risk register and the ICAAP, including risk quantum, provide the basis for the Society's risk management framework.
- To consider the Society's Statement of Risk Appetite before its inclusion in the ICAAP document and to review the ICAAP in its entirety.

- To consider the Society's procedures for the prevention and detection of fraud, recommending any necessary changes to the Board.
- To review any instances of fraud or attempted fraud affecting the Society (or a member of the Society, qua their savings or deposits or a mortgage account) which might produce (or potentially produce) financial loss or loss of reputation and to consider the appropriate action to be take, recommending to the Board any changes in policies, procedures or controls which are considered necessary to prevent further occurrence.
- To review the Society's Whistleblowing Policy, the Policy on Compliance with the Savings Account Regulations, IT Policy, Policy on the Prevention of Financial Crime, Equality Policy, Conduct Risk Appetite Statement, Continuance Plan, Wholesale Credit Risk Appetite Statement, Social Media Policy, and its Anti-Bribery and Procurement Policy and Policy on Gifts and Entertainment, and approve the same.
- To review the Society's Risk Management Framework Policy, Business Continuity Plan, Business Impact Analysis and Cyber Contingency Plan and recommend any changes to the Board.
- To review the Society's MIG arrangements having regard to counterparty insurer risk and recommend any changes to the Board.
- To review the IT MI Dashboard and arrange for the Society to take appropriate action where necessary.
- To receive the Recovery Plan and the Resolution Plan and recommend them to the Board.

- **Compliance**

- To consider and approve the annual Compliance Plan and the resources available to ensure its effectiveness.
- To receive reports from the Society's Regulation and Compliance Manager, including those of any advisory nature, and to make recommendations where appropriate toward actions to be taken.
- To review the Society's policies for compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements, including the Compliance Policy and the Mortgage Compliance Policy, and to recommend any changes to the Board.
- As appropriate, to receive reports from either the Society's Executive or a third party which concern compliance with any statutory or regulatory requirements that affect the Society and to recommend any necessary changes to policies or procedures which might be required.
- To monitor the Society's compliance with its obligations under the Data Protection Act 2018 and under any other statutory or regulatory obligation it has towards the lawful processing and retention of personal data.
- To review the half year Complaints return to be submitted to the FCA.

To review any other compliance related topics requested by the Board

- **General**

The meeting should also:

- Review its own terms of reference annually and recommend any changes to the Board;
- Assess and report to the Board on the control effectiveness of the first and second lines of defence;
- Consider future regulatory and similar developments (horizon scanning) and update the Board, as necessary;
- Report to the Board indicating how its responsibilities have been discharged;
- Promptly circulate accurate minutes of the business of the meeting to all members of the Board;
- To consider any other relevant matter not specifically referred to above.

**Review**

These Terms of Reference, and the Committee's effectiveness, are subject to annual review by the Committee, with the Board ultimately approving the Committee's Terms of Reference.

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