

**City of London Law Society – Corporate Crime and Corruption Committee**

Minutes of a meeting of the Corporate Crime and Corruption Committee held at 8.30am on  
Monday 5 December 2016 at Reed Smith, The Broadgate Tower, 20 Primrose Street,  
London, EC2A 2RS

**Present:**

Eoin O'Shea (Chair)  
Alistair Graham  
Rodney Warren  
Roger Best  
Sam Eastwood  
Sarah Wallace  
Simon Joyston-Bechal  
Tony Woodcock

**In attendance:**

Kevin Hart  
Laura-May Scott

**Apologies:**

Andrew Keltie  
Arnono Chakrabarti  
Barry Donnelly  
Barry Vitou  
Caroline Wojtylak  
Daren Allen  
David Hobart  
Davina Given  
Jo Rickards  
Jonathan Pickworth  
Liz Thomas  
Louise Delahunty  
Luke Tolaini  
Marcus Thompson  
Nick Benwell  
Omar Qureshi  
Ryal Junck  
Satinder Dogra  
Satnam Tumani  
Stephen Gentle

## **1. Minutes of the last meeting**

The Minutes of the last meeting (24 October 2016) were approved. The Chair directed for the Minutes to be filed on the CLLS website.

## **2. Section 2 Interviews: Correspondence with the Serious Fraud Office**

The Chair described the status of the correspondence with the SFO; the Committee had sent a letter on 31 October 2016 and the SFO replied on 17 November 2016. There was a discussion as to the SFO's letter of 17 November 2016. The Committee considered the practicalities of having a note-taker present at SFO interviews. It was agreed that the Committee ought to briefly respond to the SFO in writing. The Chair said he would prepare a draft response and circulate it to the Committee for comments.

## **3. Recent developments / decisions / policy announcements**

There was discussion regarding the Criminal Finance Bill which was introduced to the House of Commons on 13 October 2016.

The Committee also discussed the timing of the Government's consultation on extending corporate criminal liability.

## **4. Proposed external speakers**

It was agreed that the Committee should invite a senior individual from HMRC to attend a Committee meeting as an external speaker. Roger Best said that he would email the Chair details of the individual from HMRC that he had seen speak at another event.

The Chair mentioned that he had contacted Sarah Pritchard of the NCA. Sam Eastwood said he would follow-up with Ms Pritchard.

## **5. Membership proposals**

The Chair asked Kevin Hart to publish an advertisement on the CLLS website for new Committee members. Kevin Hart reiterated the process for recruiting new members and explained the convention limiting the number of Committee members. It was agreed that, at the next meeting, the Committee would consider applicants for membership.

## **6. Scheduling meetings for 2017**

There was a discussion as to which day of the week the 2017 Committee meetings should be held on. The Chair asked Laura-May Scott to circulate a poll so that members could vote on which day they preferred. The Chair explained that the next Committee meeting would take place in late January or early February 2017.