

The Geological Society of London

BYE-LAWS REVIEW GROUP

Note of meeting held 4 November 2005

PRESENT: Duncan Murchison (Chair), Rodney Chartres, Desmond Donovan,
Tony King

With Edmund Nickless, Rachel Boning, John Lace (Bristows)

1. APOLOGIES

Helen Turner, Jackie Maggs

2. NOTE OF THE MEETING HELD 31 AUGUST 2005

This was agreed.

3. PROPOSED NEW BYE-LAWS

John Lace had prepared a revised version of the bye-laws, taking into account the amendments suggested by the Review Group at the previous meeting. The Group discussed the new version and suggested some, mostly minor, amendments. The Group also identified where some changes to the Regulations were required. John Lace agreed to draft a revision which would be circulated to the Group early in the following week, to be approved by the Group by the end of the week.

4. REPORT TO COUNCIL

A draft report to Council had been circulated. This was agreed with one minor change (that the report should say that the amendments to the bye-laws had been made in line with current legislation). The report, with the revised bye-laws, would be presented to Council at its meeting on 23 November.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The aim was to circulate the revised bye-laws to the Fellowship with the December issue of *Geoscientist*, to give Fellows the opportunity to propose amendments. The draft bye-laws, with any amendments, would then be submitted to a Special General Meeting on 10 May.

In the light of comments received from the Fellowship, it might be necessary for the Review Group to meet again to consider whether it should put forward amendments to the original draft. Any such meeting would need to take place in mid-January, after the deadline for comments had passed but before the ballot of Fellows in February.