5 October 2017

From the Chief Executive

Dear Neil,

Re: Legal Services Board consultation on enforcement policy and rules of procedure

I am writing with regard to the above consultation, please accept this email as the Law Society's formal response. As an approved regulator, the Law Society takes a keen interest in the work of the Legal Services Board (LSB) and what it publishes.

The LSB has sought to remove unnecessary procedural information and minimise duplication in both its new draft enforcement policy and draft rules. The Society's Regulatory Affairs Board has examined the proposals and we believe them to be sensible. Given that the profession pays for the cost of its regulation, measures that save time without causing detriment elsewhere are to be welcomed and it seems desirable to consolidate the various existing documents. We commend the LSB in its attempt to produce a clear and simple set of rules that will benefit not only the regulators but all the professionals accountable to those regulators.

If there is anything in the proposals that you would like to discuss in more detail, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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