

### Meeting of the BBC Editorial Gu idelines and Standards Committee

#### **MINUTES**

# 1 October 2024 Boardroom 3028 , Broadcasting House, London

#### ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- 1. Minutes of the 2 July
  - ole and Effectiveness of EGSC
- 3. Revision of the Editorial Guidelines : Public Consultation
- 4. Senior Editorial Policy Adviser \$ Report
- 5. Emerging Editorial Risks and Issues
- 6. Complaints Reporting
- 7. Papers for Approval/ Noting
- 8. AOB

#### ATTENDAN CE

Samir Shah Chair

Nicholas Serota Non-executive director

Tim Davie Director -General

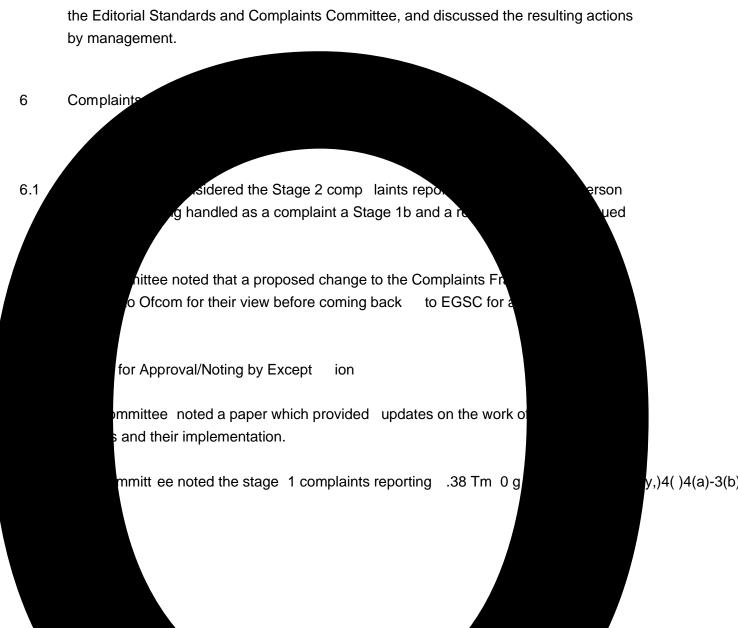
Robbie Gibb Non-executive director

Deborah Turness

## EDITORIAL GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE MINUTES

1.	Min utes from the 2 July Meeting and Matters Arising
1.1	The minutes of the m eeting on the 2 July were approved.
1.2	The Matters Arising paper was noted.
2.	The Role and Effecti veness of the Committee
2.1	The Committee no ted a paper settin g out the new role descriptions for the external editorial advisers, as requested at its meeting in July, which had been approved at the September meetings of the Nominations Committee and the Board.
3	Revision of the Editorial Guidelines: Public Consultatio n
3.1	The Committee discussed the revi $\"000000000000000000000000000000000000$
3.2	The Committee had a wide-rangin g discussion on the context and background to the $\tilde{O}$ $\tilde{O}$ 1ð $\ddot{y}$ $\ddot{y}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\hat{u}$ $\hat{o}$ $\ddot{y}$ $\ddot{y}$ $\ddot{u}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\ddot{o}$ $\ddot{v}$ $\ddot{y}$ $\ddot{u}$ $\ddot{v}$ $\ddot{y}$ $\ddot{u}$ $\ddot{v}$
3.3	The Committee agre ed that the revised Editorial Guidelines and consultation document should be submitted to the Board for approval.
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- 5. Emerging Editorial Risks and Issues
- 5.1 The Committee discussed current and upcoming editorial risks. These included: coverage of the run-up to the US Election, with particular regard to the coverage of the Trump campaign; coverage of the wars in the Middle East and Ukraine; the gender identity, abort ion and assisted dying deba tes. The Committee also discussed the new make-up of the UK Parliament following the election and the implications this had for coverage.
- 5.2 The Committee noted three serious editorial breaches, whi ch had been escalated from the Editorial Standards and Complaints Committee, and discussed the resulting actions by management.



- 8. AOB
- 8.1 The Committee noted that a briefing on the priorities for the Wo rld Service by the new Global Director, Jonathan Munro, w as planned for the October meeting of the Board.
- 8.2 A session on BBC Verify would come to a future meeting of the Committee .