

## MoF response to LSB Business Plan 2022/23 Consultation

The Faculty Office, on behalf of the Master of the Faculties, submits the following brief response to the Legal Services Board's 2022/23 Business Plan consultation:

Q1 – Do you agree with our proposed workstreams for the 2022/23 business plan?

We agree with the proposals but note that there is a significant amount of work already underway and would request that the LSB give some thought to prioritising or staggering the work to ensure that regulators, particularly those of us with fewer resources, are not overburdened.

Q2 – Are there any areas missing from our proposed business plan 2022/23 that you believe should be included?

No

Q3 – Do you agree with our view that 2022/23 is not the right time to undertake a statutory review of the reserved legal activities?

Broadly, yes for the reasons given. However, we remain of the view that Will Writing and, particularly, Estate Administration pose a greater risk to consumers than the narrowly defined Probate Activities currently set out in the Act.

Q4 – Do you have any views on developments in litigation funding?

No.

Q5 – Do you have any comments on our proposed market intelligence work? Is there anything missing that you think we should focus on?

We agree with the proposals you have set out and have no suggestions for anything additional.

Q6 – Do you have any comments on our proposed budget for 2022/23?

No.

Q7 – Do you have any comments regarding equality issues which, in your view/ experience, may arise from our proposed business plan for 2022/23?

No.

Q8 – Are there any wider equality issues and interventions that you wish to make us aware of?

No.

**The Faculty Office** February 2022