

## ITEMS CONSIDERED BY CORRESPONDENCE

### Purpose

1. To advise members of the outcome of consideration given to matters by correspondence since the last meeting.

### Discussion

2. In inviting members to consider matters by correspondence, members are advised that a nil response will be treated as consent, unless noted otherwise.
3. Three matters have been considered by correspondence since the last meeting:

#### A. Jury precepts

- **Paper 2018/13** was issued to members on 19 July 2018, inviting members to consider and approve draft rules (at **Paper 2018/13A**), developed by the Rules Rewrite Committee, making amendments to the Rules of the Court of Session in relation to the issuing of civil jury precepts ahead of trial. This follows a rules request from SCTS, produced at **Paper 2018/13B**.
- **Responses were invited by close of business on 02 August 2018. Five responses were received, all approving the rules. The rules were made on 05 September and came into force on 21 September 2018.**

#### B. SCJC Admin Matters

- Paper 2018/16 was issued on 07 September 2018, inviting members to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on 09 July 2018 (Paper 2018/16A) and note relevant business updates.
- **Responses were invited by close of business on 14 September 2018. Two responses were received, approving the minutes of 09 July 2018. The minutes have subsequently been published on the SCJC website.**

#### C. Simple Procedure Review Update and Consultation Report

- Paper 2018/17 was issued on 02 October 2018 providing members with an update from the Access to Justice Committee on the progress of its review of the Simple Procedure Rules. Members were invited to consider and approve

a summary of consultation responses produced at **Paper 2018.17A** for publication.

- **Responses were invited by close of business on 12 October 2018. Six responses were received, approving the summary of consultation responses (Paper 2018.17A) for publication on the SCJC website. The report was published on 6 November 2018.**

#### **Recommendation**

4. **Members are invited to note this update and agreed that the following papers be published on the Council's website:**
  - a. **Papers 2018/13, 2018/13B (subject to SCTS approval)**
  - b. **Paper 2018/16**
  - c. **Paper 2018/17**

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