

# UNITY TRUST BANK PLC ("the Bank")

## **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

# Terms of Reference

#### 1. Constitution

The Remuneration Committee (the Committee) was established by a resolution of the Board of Unity Trust Bank plc (the Bank) on 21 May 2015. The Terms of Reference were last revised and approved by the Board on 9 December 2020.

#### 2. Membership

- 2.1 The Committee shall consist of at least three Non-Executive Directors, who shall include at least one Director determined by the Board to be independent.
- 2.2 The membership of the Committee shall be reviewed by the Nomination Committee on an annual basis.
- 2.3 The Board shall appoint the Committee Chair who shall be a director determined by the Board to be independent. In the absence of the Committee Chair, the Committee members present shall appoint one of themselves to chair the meeting. In the absence of an independent director, the Committee may coopt one of the directors determined by the Board to be independent.

# 3. Quorum

The quorum shall be two members, one of whom must be a director determined to the independent on appointment.

#### 4. Attendance at the Meetings

- 4.1 No one other than the Committee Chair and its members shall be entitled to attend meetings of the Committee, unless at the invitation of the Chair.
- 4.2 The Secretary of the Bank shall be the Secretary to the Committee. The Secretary shall circulate the minutes of the meeting to all members of the Board, unless it would be inappropriate to do so.

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### 5. Frequency

The Committee shall meet twice a year or more frequently if circumstances require.

#### 6. Authority

The Committee is authorised to seek external legal or other professional advice on any matters within its Terms of Reference at the Bank's expense, within any budgetary restraints imposed by the Board.

#### 7. **Responsibilities**

The responsibilities of the Committee are set out below.

The Committee shall:

#### Policy

- 7.1 annually review and recommend the Remuneration Policy to the Board. The policy must be aligned to the Bank's long term strategy and consistent with the Bank's values, taking into account the impact of the policy on Unity's risk profile. The policy should be designed to offer a reward package which attracts, motivates and retains appropriately qualified and experienced people.
- 7.2 when recommending remuneration policy for members of the Executive Committee, review and have regard to pay and employment conditions across the Bank, especially when recommending or determining annual salary increases.
- 7.3 Remuneration policies should enable the use of discretion to override formulaic outcomes and to recover and/or withhold sums or share-related awards under appropriate specified circumstances.

#### Bank-wide

- 7.4 recommend to the Board the scope, rules and targets of awards for any cohorts or individuals covered in employee share-related schemes operated by the Bank, and the total awards made under such schemes.
- 7.5 satisfy itself as to the accuracy of performance measures that govern performance related incentives.
- 7.6 review and recommend remuneration structures and incentive payouts which are adjusted for risks.
- 7.7 keep under review the Employee Profit Share Plan and all employee sharerelated schemes, recommending the level of funds available for distribution or award under the schemes to the Board.
- 7.8 review and approve the Remuneration Policy Statement required annually by the regulators.
- 7.9 oversee that conflicts of interest are identified and resolved in the determination of remuneration.

### Information and Consultants

- 7.10 obtain reliable, up-to-date information about remuneration in other companies of comparable scale and complexity on a periodic basis. To help it fulfil its obligations the Committee shall have full authority to appoint remuneration consultants within any budgetary restraints imposed by the Board.
- 7.11 be exclusively responsible for establishing the selection criteria, selecting, appointing and setting the terms of reference for any remuneration consultants who advise the Committee.
- 7.12 The Committee should avoid designing pay structures based solely on benchmarking to the market or on the advice of remuneration consultants

### Remuneration of Specified Individuals

- 7.13 recommend to the Board the remuneration arrangements of the Chief Executive, the Chair of the Bank and Independent Directors.
- 7.14 subject to 7.13, determine the remuneration for the members of the Executive Committee.
- 7.15 ensure no Chair, Director or member of the Executive Committee shall be involved in any decisions as to their own remuneration.
- 7.16 when setting or recommending to the Board the pension contribution rates for Executives, or payments in lieu, these should be aligned with those available to the workforce.
- 7.17 receive highlights of the Performance Reviews of the Executives.
- 7.18 oversee that contractual terms on termination, and any payments made, are fair to the individual and the Bank, that failure is not rewarded and that the duty to mitigate loss is fully recognised.
- 7.19 In overseeing such packages and arrangements, give due regard to the contents of the UK Corporate Governance Code (the Code).

### 8. Other Matters

- 8.1 Committee members shall be provided with appropriate and timely training, both in the form of an induction programme for new members and on an ongoing basis for all members.
- 8.2 The Committee shall arrange for periodic reviews of its own performance and, at least annually, review its constitution and terms of reference to ensure it is operating at maximum effectiveness and recommend any changes it considers necessary to the board for approval. The committee evaluation should cover the committee's interaction with other Board committees.
- 8.3 The Committee Chair should attend the Annual General Meeting to answer any shareholder questions on the Committee's activities.

## 9. **Reporting responsibilities**

The Committee shall:

- 9.1 ensure that sufficient information is made available to the Board to enable disclosure of remuneration, including pensions in the Annual Report.
- 9.2 the Committee Chair shall report to the Board on its proceedings after each meeting on all matters within its duties and responsibilities.
- 9.3 make whatever recommendations to the Board it deems appropriate to any area within its remit where action or improvement is needed.
- 9.4 make available its terms of reference explaining clearly its role and the authority delegated to it by the Board.