

From: [Jenny Ellwood](#)
To: [Alisdair Cameron](#); [Johann Appel](#)
Cc: [David Parry](#)
Subject: RE: Designation as "Accountable Person"
Date: 21 June 2019 11:25:51
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Thanks Al, I am happy to pick this up. I will review in full and revert back to you if I have any questions / require any help.

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From: Alisdair Cameron
Sent: 21 June 2019 11:20
To: Jenny Ellwood; **GRO**; Johann Appel
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Cc: David Parry; **GRO**
Subject: FW: Designation as "Accountable Person"

Jenny, I think it would be good to have a paper for RCC and ARC once a year, maybe in September, which sets out the evidence for this, gets assurance as appropriate and then we can share with BEIS. Is that OK? What help do you need? Thanks Al



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From: Aldred, Tom - UKGI; **GRO**
Sent: 11 June 2019 12:25
To: Alisdair Cameron; **GRO**; Cooper, Tom - UKGI
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Cc: Clarke, Stephen - UKGI; **GRO**
Subject: Designation as "Accountable Person"

Al

A while ago we discussed your designation as Accounting Officer (email below). Please find attached a letter from the BEIS Permanent Secretary designating you as the "Accountable

Person” to whom he is delegating accountability for managing POL’s public funds in line with the principles of HMT’s Managing Public Money (MPM). More guidance on what this means in practice is contained within the letter.

As regards the “Accountable Person” title, HMT have advised that this is how CEOs of public corporations like POL are now to be designated (“Accounting Officers” is only for ALBs) as they receive over 50% of their income from commercial activities, and therefore do not get funding directly from Parliament (via the “Estimates”) meaning that accountability can only flow to POL via the Perm Sec. In practice, the functions are the same as HMT requires both Accounting Officers and Accountable Officers to follow MPM principles.

Tom

Tom Aldred, Post Office Shareholder Team, UKGI

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IM: **GRO**

From: Alisdair Cameron **GRO**

Sent: 11 April 2019 15:57

To: Cooper, Tom - UKGI **GRO**; Aldred, Tom - UKGI

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Subject: FW: Guidance regarding appointment of temporary acting accounting officers

I don’t know whether this was sent to me specifically – I guess I would be Accounting Officer from now, as Paula isn’t around, until I get replaced? Is that right? How you finalise that if that is right, I am happy to leave to you and BEIS. Let me know if I am missing the point. Thanks Al



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From: BEIS Partnerships Mailbox **GRO**

Sent: 09 April 2019 09:32

Subject: Guidance regarding appointment of temporary acting accounting officers

Dear Colleague

Please see link below to “Dear Accounting Officer” letter giving guidance on temporary acting Accounting Officers. BEIS’s Finance Director is querying with the Treasury Office of Accounts whether these arrangements would apply in periods of short absence. We will update you when we know more.

Please see link - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dao-0119-template-letter-for-appointment-of-temporary-acting-accounting-officers>

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