

Annex

Approvals committee – October/November 2010

1. Since the last Board meeting, our approvals committee has considered one urgent application by correspondence on 15 October and has met twice to consider applications requiring approval of consultancy contracts over £20,000 and all external recruitment.

2. The cases considered are listed below:

Meeting date	Ref: No. & directorate	Summary of application	Consultancy/ recruit	Committee Decision
25 October 2010	50	Additional operations advice	Recruitment (fees for services, 10 days' work)	Approved
25 October 2010	51	Appointment of specialist recruitment consultants for new chief executive £82,250	Consultancy	Approved
25 October 2010	52	Passenger priorities for data – qualitative research £35,000	Consultancy	Not approved
1 November 2010	54	Recruitment of two temporary economists	External recruitment	Approved
1 November 2010	56	External recruitment of chief executive	External recruitment	Approved
Urgent item by correspondence				
15 October 2010	48	Cost and revenue sharing between Network Rail and train operators	Consultancy	Approved

		£40,000		
Further details of any of the above applications and decisions are available from Brian Warrener				

3. The committee were also provided with details of any applications below £20,000 which are subject to approval by corporate services. There have been 5 applications approved totalling £ 30,700.