NLBC Council

1.1. Council Structure and Frequency

- 1.1.1. A NLBC Council will be established. The Council will have responsibility of advising the overall direction for the NLBC and in addition fulfil a monitoring function.
- 1.1.2. The NLBC Council will constitute a body of predominantly land based 'industry stakeholders' to provide consultation and input to the external scan of NLBC's strategy and as a source of consultation for the NLBC Board in respect of NLBC's client community and related bodies.
- 1.1.3. The NLBC Council could be chaired by the same person as the NLBC Board, or by a separate President. If the proposal for a Council is agreed, a role Descriptor for an 'President' will be written and presented to the Board.
- 1.1.4. The NLBC Council is to meet two times per year, coinciding with two of the same dates as the executive NLBC Board where possible. This would cut down on the overall number of meeting dates per year and also save on travel and expenses for NLBC staff and Directors who also sit on the Council.

1.2. Remit of the NLBC Council

Within the responsibility of advising the overall direction for the NLBC and in addition fulfil a monitoring function, the NLBC Council will specifically:

- Bring together representatives of the principal stakeholders involved in improving the quality and competitiveness of land based industries;
- Guide NLBC in the development and delivery of a programme of education and training and knowledge exchange (KE) which meets the needs of the land based sector and the environmental stewardship as influenced by UK and EU policy frameworks:
- Provide a forum for the discussion of issues relevant to education, training and KE;
- Provide feedback to NLBC on the effectiveness of its education, training and KE activities:
- Provide linkage with government funded organisations in the land based sector; and
- Liaise with relevant NLBC stakeholder engagement groups including the Industry Groups.

1.3. Make-Up of the NLBC Council

1.3.1. Size of Council should be quite large to allow all interested groups to participate and this is initially proposed to be 40 members with representation from across all areas of land based (no areas should be able to dominate), including Chairs of the 10 'NLBC Industry Skills Groups'.

- 1.3.2. The international dimension, and ambition beyond the initial NLBC core work, is pivotal to the financial development of the organisation and should be considered in due course.
- 1.3.3. A list of potential NLBC Council members will be supplied i.e. key organisations/trade bodies that are considered to be key stakeholders in addition to the college/university sector.
- 1.3.4. NLBC Development Board members who will not be part of the permanent Board could be invited to join the NLBC Council.
- 1.3.5. NLBC Chair, Vice-Chairs, Chief Executive and Programme Development Manager will attend Council meetings