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Application

1. These rules will apply when the Appointments Committee is acting as a committee appointed by the authority under section 102(4) of the Local Government Act 1972(3) for the purposes of advising the authority on matters relating to the dismissal of head of paid service, the chief finance officer or the monitoring officer of the authority.
2. The Appointments Committee must invite relevant independent persons to be considered for appointment to the Appointments Committee, with a view to appointing at least two such persons to the Committee.
3. In paragraph 2 “relevant independent person” means any independent person who has been appointed by the authority or, where there are fewer than two such persons, such independent persons as have been appointed by another authority or authorities as the authority considers appropriate.
4. Subject to paragraph 5, the Appointments Committee must appoint such relevant independent persons who have accepted an invitation issued in accordance with paragraph 2 in accordance with the following priority order
 - (a) a relevant independent person who has been appointed by the authority and who is a local government elector;
 - (b) any other relevant independent person who has been appointed by the authority;
 - (c) a relevant independent person who has been appointed by another authority or authorities.
5. An authority is not required to appoint more than two relevant independent persons in accordance with paragraph 4 but may do so.
6. The Appointments Committee must meet at least 20 working days before the meeting of the council assembly that will consider whether or not to approve a proposal to dismiss a relevant officer.