

**Subject:** RE: Consultation Paper for the appointment of industry directors to the Board of Horse Sport Ireland  
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Dear Avalon

Firstly, thank you for allowing us an extension with respect of the Consultation Paper for the appointment of industry directors to the Board of Horse Sport Ireland. Having read the paper, Eventing Ireland would like to make the following observations/suggestions.

The Consultation Paper reads well and covers all aspects in respect of how a Board should be structured. However, it is imperative that Eventing Ireland is involved in the new structure of HSI. In order to maximise the full potential of any sport, there must be joined-up thinking and synergies from grassroots and youths up to senior High Performance. We currently do not have that; our sport has been disjointed for several years, and to put it simply, it needs to be fixed. This restructuring is an opportunity to integrate both HSI and Eventing Ireland, where both parties work together for the sport's greater good.

Could we recommend further criteria/recommendations in that a director is appointed to represent present-day Eventing? Eventing Ireland could provide several persons subjected to the selection criteria, and the panel could select the one that best fits the current mix of skillsets.

Regarding the selection criteria and weighting, please confirm how this process will be done and what weighting preferences will be applied. Secondly, How many Board members do you expect to have? Are these four Board members in addition to the existing members appointed by the Minister, or will those be replaced?

We would appreciate a more comprehensive understanding of HSI's overall structure, what committees and sub-committees will exist and how they will interact. Who is responsible for what and how Eventing Ireland will operate with HSI as a whole. Perhaps we could discuss this further at our meeting on 6th September.

In the meantime, thank you for giving us the opportunity to provide feedback on this very important step forward for Horse Sport Ireland.

Kind regards

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## **Re: Consultation Paper for the appointment of industry directors to the Board of Horse Sport Ireland**

Dear Affiliate Stakeholders,

On behalf of Horse Sport Ireland, please see attached public consultation document in respect of the appointment of industry directors to the Board of Horse Sport Ireland.

Please submit your feedback by 17<sup>th</sup> August 2023 to Avalon Everett, Head of Sport, Legal and Governance, [aeverett@horsesportireland.ie](mailto:aeverett@horsesportireland.ie) or by post Avalon Everett, Head of Sport, Legal & Governance, Horse Sport Ireland, 1st Floor, Beech House, Millennium Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, W91 TK7N

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Kind regards,

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