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**Re: Youth Justice Board Chair - Seeking an extension to the Chair's appointment term**

Thank you for contacting OCPA. The Commissioner has agreed to the reappointment of Charlie Taylor from 17 March 2019 until 16 March 2020.

The Commissioner did agree in 2017, that this appointment could be made without competition. The agreement was given on the basis that YJB was undergoing substantial change to both its structure and function.

Whilst we understand that reviews of large scale and prominent public body such as YJB can take time, this appointment has been made without competition, which is contrary to the spirit of the Governance Code. The Commissioner is encouraged to see that MOJ has provided a timetable to open this post competition. MJ should note that he is will not agree to any further extensions, and will be monitoring this competition closely.

regards  
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