# ARB's Consultation Process



# Consultation paper 2008/02

### Amendments to the Electoral Scheme

### **Consultation Policy**

ARB is committed to consulting with a wide range of key stakeholders, consumer bodies and other organisations, to assist in developing its policies.

This consultation process provides the opportunity for interested parties to participate in formulating strong, robust strategies and policies for discharging our statutory responsibilities under the Architects Act 1997. The Architects Registration Board is holding a consultation exercise on amendments to the Electoral Scheme for architect members to the Board.

It is important that we have as wide a range of views as possible to assist the Board in its final consideration of these changes before seeking Privy Council approval.

We would therefore appreciate any views or comments you might have on the proposal. Please let us have these by no later than 5pm on 4 July 2008.

Copies of the Consultation Paper are available to download from our website, <u>www.arb.org.uk/news/consultations</u>. A response form is also available, and can be printed or submitted by email. Alternatively, you can post your response to:

Sue Young Architects Registration Board Ability House 7 Portland Place London W1B 1PP

Responses may also be returned by fax to 020 7436 5269

# Background

The need for change has arisen on two counts. The first is to draw a distinction between architects who are fully registered in the UK and those who are offering their services on a temporary or occasional basis. This has been prompted by the European Directive on the mutual recognition of qualifications (the Qualifications Directive). The second is to introduce internet voting.

The proposed amendments to the scheme are listed in the response form. A copy of the current scheme is attached to the form.

#### **Responding to the Proposal**

Comments are invited on these changes to the Electoral Scheme.

A list of organisations we have consulted is attached. If you think that there are any organisations or individuals who are not on the list but should be included, I hope you will let me know. This document will be available on ARB's website, and will be emailed to those who have signed up to receive news and updates from ARB.

Please send us your reply as soon as possible, and no later than 5pm on 4 July 2008.

# List of consultees

Please see below the list of those organisations we have consulted. Following the close of the consultation, you will be able to read the responses of those who replied by visiting our website, <u>www.arb.org.uk/news/consultations</u>, and clicking on the highlighted organisations.

APSAA (Association of Professional Studies Advisers in Architecture) ARCHAOS Architects Professional Examinations Authority in Scotland Ltd Architectural Association School of Architecture Association of Consultant Architects Chartered Institute of Architectural Technologists Cardiff University Centre for Education in the Built Environment Chartered Institute of Building **Construction Industry Council** De Montfort University Edinburgh College of Art General Consumer Council for Northern Ireland General Dental Council General Medical Council General Optical Council Health Professions Council Kingston University Landscape Institute Leeds Metropolitan University Liverpool John Moore's University London Metropolitan University London South Bank University Mackintosh School of Architecture Manchester School of Architecture National Consumer Council Northumbria University Nottingham Trent University Oxford Brookes University Quality Assurance Agency Queen's University Belfast Robert Gordon University Royal College of Art Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland Royal Institute of British Architects Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors Royal Society of Architects in Wales Royal Society of Ulster Architects Roval Town Planning Institute Scottish Consumer Council SCALA (Serving Construction and Architecture in Local Authorities) SCHOSA (Standing Conference of Heads of Schools of Architecture) Sheffield Hallam University The Law Society The Law Society of Northern Ireland The Law Society of Scotland Worshipful Company of Chartered Architects University of Bath University of Brighton

University of Cambridge University of Central England University College for the Creative Arts at Canterbury, Epsom, Farnham, Maidstone and Rochester University College London University of Dundee University of East London University of Edinburgh University of Huddersfield University of Greenwich University of Kent University of Lincoln University of Liverpool University of Newcastle University of Nottingham University of Plymouth University of Portsmouth University of Sheffield University of Strathclyde University of Ulster University of the West of England University of Westminster