## Update - 21 March 2022

## Maxwellisation and timeline for publication

The Chair's Report is now in its final draft form and the process of Maxwellisation has begun. Maxwellisation is a process by which the Chair notifies individuals and organisations about criticisms he intends to make about them in his report, and explains the evidence upon which these criticisms are based, giving them an opportunity to respond. This is a legal process that the Chair has to follow, ensuring that the Inquiry acts fairly with all stakeholders.

All relevant individuals and organisations that the Chair intends to criticise have now been written to. They have an opportunity to respond. The Chair will take into account any responses before finalising his report, although he is not obliged to change the report; the content of the final report is a matter for him.

## **Publication date of Report**

Once the Maxwellisation process has been completed and any responses received from individuals and organisations have been considered, the Inquiry will be in a position to confirm the publication date for the Report. The confirmed date will be notified to all key stakeholders and witnesses, and published on the Inquiry's website.

## Witness evidence

Given the stage that the Inquiry is now at, from Monday 4 April 2022 the Chair will no longer be able to accept witness evidence. Therefore, if there are any witnesses that still wish to come forward to give evidence to the Inquiry, they should contact the Inquiry before this date. Meetings can be held in person or remotely, depending on witness preference. Please contact the Inquiry team urgently by email at <a href="mail@iitcse.com">mail@iitcse.com</a> or by calling 0800 389 4322.