NORTHUMBRIAN UNIVERSITIES
MILITARY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1. SECRETARY  Mrs Jill Golightly, Director of Faculty Operations, Faculty of Science, Agriculture and Engineering.

[The Committee is serviced through the Faculty of Science, Agriculture and Engineering, Devonshire Building, Newcastle University, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 7RU]

2. MEMBERSHIP

Ex officio members:

(a) The Vice-Chancellors of the Universities of:
    Newcastle
    Durham
    Northumbria
    Sunderland
    Teesside

(b) The Commanding Officer, Northumbrian Universities Officer Training Corps

(c) The Commanding Officer, Northumbrian Universities Air Squadron

(d) The Commanding Officer, Northumbrian Universities Royal Naval Unit

(e) The Commanding Officer, ‘Trojan Squadron’, Defence Technical Undergraduates Scheme

(f) The Commander, 15 (North East) Brigade, York (or his/her representative)

(g) The Air Officer Commanding and Commandant, Royal Air Force College, Cranwell (or his/her representative)

(h) The Commodore, Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth (or his/her representative)

(i) The Secretary, Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for the North of England, Durham (or his/her representative)

* Sunderland is currently considering its position.
Appointed members:

(k) A Chair (of Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Provost or equivalent status) appointed jointly by the Senates of the Universities of Newcastle and Durham in consultation with NUMEC.

(l) Four members appointed by the Senate of Newcastle University.

(m) Three members appointed by the Senate of the University of Durham.

(n) Two members appointed by each of the Universities of Northumbria, Sunderland and Teesside.

(o) One student member appointed by the Commanding Officer of each University Service Unit.

(p) Up to four members co-opted by the Committee.

3. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

An Executive Committee, chaired by the Pro-Chair, will be formed from within the membership to conduct routine business on behalf of the parent Military Education Committee.

4. TENURE OF APPOINTMENT

(a) The Chair, Pro-Chair and appointed members shall serve for a period of up to three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment.

(b) Co-opted members and student members shall serve for two years with the option of re-appointment for one further year.

(c) Terms of appointment may be amended and/or extended by the Senates of the Universities of Durham and Newcastle, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee of NUMEC.

5. COMMITTEE SERVICING

(a) The Secretary of the Committee shall be appointed by the Registrar of Newcastle University, following consultation with the Registrar of the University of Durham, the Chair and the Pro-Chair, and shall serve for three years.
(b) Administrative support for the work of the Committee shall be provided by Newcastle University.

6. TERMS OF REFERENCE

(a) Principal aims:

(i) to encourage the study of defence-related issues within the constituent universities;

(ii) to promote the selection, instruction and training of candidates for Commissions in the Regular and Reserve Forces;

(iii) to co-operate with the Ministry of Defence in all Service matters affecting the universities;

(iv) to ensure that the time spent by undergraduates enrolled in a Service contingent is not to the detriment of their academic studies;

(v) to encourage liaison between the university Service contingents and the Regular and Reserve Forces at regional level;

(vi) to report via the Senates to the Councils of the universities, or their equivalent statutory bodies, on all matters which require their financial consideration, and all matters which affect the roles of the Service Units in the universities.

(b) Role in relation to University Service Units:

(i) NUOTC

a) To advise and support the Unit in its role as an organisation within the academic communities.

b) To liaise with the Ministry of Defence, the Corps and the universities on all matters concerning University-Service relationships.

c) NUMEC has the right to interview a TA nominee for Command, and may recommend or veto the appointment. If no suitable TA Officer is recommended by NUMEC a Regular Officer will be appointed.
d) The Commanding Officer, in consultation with the retiring Honorary Colonel and NUMEC, will consider suitable candidates for appointment as Honorary Colonel. The nomination is to have the support of RFCA and the Chain-of-Command before submission to Her Majesty the Queen for approval.

(ii) NUAS

a) To advise and support the Squadron in its role as an organization within the academic communities.

b) To liaise with the Ministry of Defence, the Squadron and the universities on all matters concerning the University-Service relationships.

c) To accept and approve the appointment of the Regular Officer Commanding.

(iii) NURNU

a) To advise and support the Unit in its role as an organization within the academic communities.

b) To liaise with the Ministry of Defence, the Unit and the universities on all matters concerning university relationships.

d) To accept and approve the appointment of the Regular Officer-in-Charge.

(iv) DTUSU

a) To advise and support the Unit in its role as an organization within the academic communities.

7. COUNCIL OF MILITARY EDUCATION COMMITTEES (COMECC)

NUMEC will subscribe to the Council, and will appoint representatives to attend the annual meeting of COMEC on behalf of the universities.

8. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

NUMEC will have powers to recommend an annual subscription, the level of which will be subject to the approval of the Chair.
subscription will be payable by each university represented on NUMEC; the NUMEC membership of any institution failing to subscribe will be deemed to be in abeyance.

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