

# SECTION THREE

## GENERAL STRUCTURE AND FORMATION

**T**he PTI will take the following centralised form, as directed by the Executive, until such time as an elected PTI Council votes upon a different format. Any such altered format should align with; (i) the PTI Mission Statement; (ii) the Ethos and Principles of the PTI; and (iii) in particular with the concept of the **Overriding Principle** as laid out in Section One, Article 6.

1. There will be a permanent listed address for the receipt of correspondence and to serve as a central office with whatever facilities and amenities the PTI Council deems necessary to fulfil the status of a 'permanent competent domestic tribunal' as per EU regulations.

2. The main responsibilities of running the PTI will be shared amongst the 13-person Council to include a 3-person Executive (Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer) operating in a collaborative shared role, plus 40 named Operations Officers to include one Data Controller who will also serve as Aide to the Executive. This volunteer corps of 53 persons will be known collectively as, "the PTI Administration" ('PTI Admin') who will each have voting rights at the next AGM according to PTI Rules.

3. All other persons who declare an interest in the PTI and who have filled out the basic membership form will be known collectively as 'the PTI Panel'. There will be no other limits or restrictions on such PTI Panel membership other than proof of I.D. and the signed disclaimer on the application form. These persons may contribute in many constructive ways to the operations, functions and processes of the PTI as laid out in Section Four.

4. Other parties who wish to contribute to PTI operations are of course free to do so, whether or not they have signed up to the PTI Panel. 'Contributions' so described may include personal or professional advice or opinions that are delivered via emails, phone calls or other mediums for example, including raising questions or posting commentary on the PTI website(s)\*. Any such contributions from recognised individuals or institutions will be credited back to that source except in circumstances where that source has requested anonymity. (\*To include affiliated media platforms).

5. The PTI also welcomes contributions from anonymous sources. These must be assessed on their merits and tested for credibility before they can be applied to PTI matters. If verification is difficult or time-consuming, then such contributions may need to be filed, unused.

6. With particular respect to the pandemic-related social restrictions and the advantages of online technology, the 'PTI Admin' may operate remotely or in chosen locations as the circumstances require.

7. The 1<sup>st</sup> PTI Executive are the founders of the PTI. The remaining members of the 1<sup>st</sup> PTI Council will be directly appointed by the Executive during the initiating 12-month operational phase. Each Councillor may, in turn, appoint up to 3 Operations Officers. The Executive will select the Data Controller. This arrangement will remain in place until c. July 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 whereupon all new Council positions will be filled by PTI Admin ballot at the AGM.

8. The PTI Admin will operate in 3 Divisions: (i) Investigations; (ii) Adjudications; (iii) Prosecutions.

9. Councillors will be expected to assume shared responsibility for one of the 3 Divisions. Where possible, one member of the Executive will guide each Division.

# Anticipated Assignment of Responsibilities

## Investigations Division

Accepting and assessing all submissions (by topic, case and/or issue) and evaluating the evidence / researching the law / liaising with parties and preparing files for consideration by the Council.

1 Executive + 3 Councillors + 13 Operations Officers

## Adjudicating Division

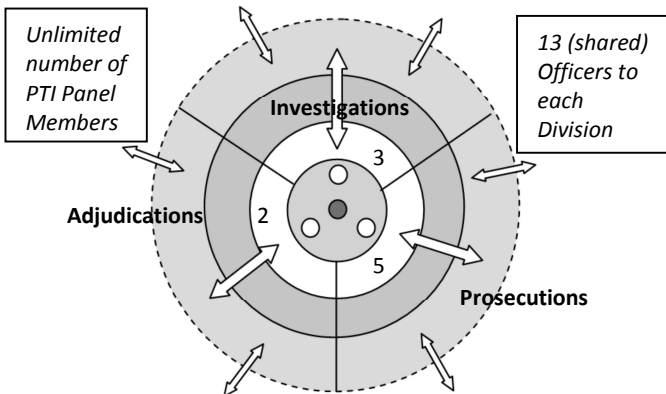
Holding private sittings or public hearings as mediators, arbitrators, adjudicators, judges, and issuing subpoenas, rulings, findings, judgments, decisions and mandates strictly according to law.

1 Executive + 2 Councillors + 13 Operations Officers

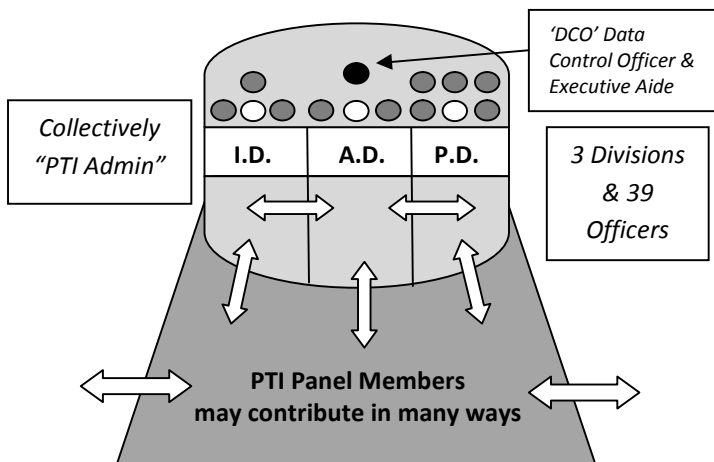
## Prosecutions Division

Preparing cases for criminal prosecution 'in the public interest' in the domestic law courts under *The Petty Sessions Act* and providing for citizen's arrests under S.4 of the *Criminal Law Act 1997*.

1 Executive + 5 Councillors + 13 Operations Officers



## PTI Council = 13 Councillors (3 Executive)



10. **"THE PTI ADMINISTRATION"** comprises the PTI Executive (3 persons) plus 10 more Council Members and 40 Operations Officers, one of whom is the Data Protection Officer and Aide to the Executive.

11. **"The PTI Council"** comprises the Executive + 10 Council Members through whom all final decisions will be made.

12. **There are three Divisions:** (i) Investigations ('I.D.') (ii) Adjudications ('A.D.') (iii) Prosecutions ('P.D.') – each guided by Councillors, assisted by Operations Officers.

13 **"Operations Officers" (OO)** comprise existing, proven pro-justice activists and enthusiasts who have something of direct value to offer to the PTI. Each Councillor can nominate up to 3 Officers to assist in any Division or area of operation as required = max 53 PTI Officials total (including the Council and the Aide to the Executive). The Council may fill any 'OO' vacancies as they arise or occur.