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## **(ACM 129/2017)**

Conference notes that Wilkins Kennedy are the POA Accountants and independent Auditors of our accounts. The contract ends after Conference 2017.

The National Executive Committee have determined in order to get best value for money, that a tendering process is commenced for the appointment of Accountants/independent Auditors with the new appointment being placed before Conference in 2018.

This is not a reflection of how Wilkins Kennedy have been performing as they have been the Union's Accountants since the 1940's, but a realisation that the POA may wish to strengthen any contract and in particular, paying attention to new legislation. The Executive do not know whether the new contract will be for 1, 3, or five years as that has not been determined as yet.

Normally, we would be seeking your permission to re-affirm Wilkins Kennedy for a period of 5 years, as has been common practise, but due to the tendering process we are asking you to re-affirm and appoint Wilkins Kennedy for 1 year only, until the tendering process is complete and for Conference to determine any appointment from 2018.