## **Professional Standards Committee**

# Terms of Reference

Date: 6 September 2018

#### Introduction:

The Professional Standards Committee is established as a Committee separate to the Society's Council for the purpose of managing the process of developing and reviewing profession standards through to approval. Under the Rules of the Society, Council remains responsible for approval of professional standards.

The Professional Standards Committee is not responsible for writing standards. This will often be undertaken by one of the practice committees, or a working group of members established for that purpose.

Committee membership will include four experienced members of the Society.

### **Purpose:**

- To advise Council of Professional Standards to be reviewed or created.
- To monitor the development process for Professional Standards.
- To report to Council that proposed Professional Standards meet the agree principles and have followed the agreed development process

## Scope

- Define the principles on which professional standards should be based.
- Define, publish and maintain a process for approving NZSA Professional Standards.
- Define and maintain a template for standards.
- Advise Council of the standards that need review or created.
- Manage the process for release of standards for consultation.
- Manage the process for approval of final standards, including recommending to Council that they be adopted.
- Monitor international developments regarding Professional Standard, including areas that are covered by Professional Standards, and the procedures for setting standards and providing professional guidance.