



Policy in relation to Observers at Governing Board meetings

The British Acupuncture Council's Governing Board welcomes its members and members of the public to its meetings.

However, certain parts of meetings may, at the discretion of the Governing Board, be deemed to be closed and these will not be accessible to members and members of the public. This is because they may include discussion of matters which:

1. would be contrary to the Data Protection Act 1998 or any other Act of Parliament or rule of law prohibiting or restricting the disclosure of information by or to a third party
2. relate to personnel matters or matters of a management, planning or forecasting nature, or relate to a specific Board member or members
3. relate to commercial negotiations where disclosure could prejudice the BAcC's position, or could prejudice future negotiations of a similar nature
4. would be prejudicial to the acupuncture profession as a whole
5. should not be considered in open session in the public interest.

These matters will usually be dealt with towards the end of a meeting.

Please note that the recording of the meeting in any format is strictly forbidden. If you wish to attend a meeting please contact the British Acupuncture Council telephone number 02087350400 or e-mail anna@acupuncture.org.uk