# Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Divisional Board

# Approved by Chair's action

# Research Degrees in the Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Division

# 2. Confirmation of Status

**Brief note about nature of change**: minor amendment required to MPLS regulations for confirmation of status to bring interview practices in line with new University policy.

#### Effective date

With immediate effect

#### Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2015

#### Detail of change

Section 19 - Research Degrees in the Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Division

1. Page 817 lines 35-38 (2. Confirmation of Status)

Delete:

"(iv) the assessor(s) may request to interview the candidate, and the candidate may request to have an interview with the assessor(s). The process of assessment must always include an interview with the candidate if the assessor(s) are unable to recommend confirmation of D.Phil. status."

And replace with:

"(iv) an interview between the student and his/her assessors."

**Explanatory Notes** amendment required to MPLS regulations to reflect the new policy and guidance issued by EdC in relation to an interview now being mandatory for confirmation of status.