

COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

Date: Thursday 30 January 2003
 Time: 9:30am
 Venue: Committee Room 2, National Assembly Building
 Title: Review of Standards Procedures (Woodhouse Review) - Draft Action Plan

Attached is a draft action plan for the implementation of the recommendations in the Woodhouse Review. The draft takes account of the discussions at the Standards Committee meeting on 31 October and offers initial thoughts on priorities and issues.

In general, recommendations can be divided into 3 broad categories as follows:

1. Further Committee consideration needed on principle of recommendation.	Recommendations: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13, 16, 19, 20, 22, 23*, 24, 25, 26*, 27 and 31 * Can be implemented immediately if Committee is content in principle.
2. Secretariat to draft specific proposals for Committee consideration.	Recommendations: 1*, 2, 8, 11, 17, 18, 21 and 30 * David Lambert has produced draft proposals on recommendation 1 (Code of Conduct) which are attached as an annex to the draft action plan.
3. Need to consult further	Recommendations: 10, 14, 15, 28* and 29* * Decision also needed on broad principles.

The Committee is invited to consider the draft plan and indicate whether they are content for the Secretariat to proceed as suggested.

Secretariat