

LEGAL DEPOSIT ADVISORY PANEL TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Legal Deposit Advisory Panel (LDAP) is a lower-tier Non-Departmental Public Body (NDPB). An NDPB is a body with a role in the process of national government which is not a government department or part of one, and operates at arm's length from Ministers. Advisory NDPBs are generally set up to provide independent expert advice to Ministers and their departments on matters within their sphere of interest.

The role of LDAP is to:

Advise the Secretary of State on the deposit of print material, and on regulatory and non-regulatory options for the deposit of non-print material.

In formulating this advice LDAP should:

- ♦ make recommendations to the Secretary of State on the content of regulations or voluntary schemes, as appropriate, for the deposit of particular classes of non-print media;
- ♦ take note of the Ministerial Undertakings made in Parliament, having due regard to the impact of developments in non-print publications since the passing of the 2003 Act;
- ♦ work within the spirit of Better Regulation, with particular reference to the requirements of Impact Assessments;
- ♦ monitor and oversee the operation and implementation of the Legal Deposit Libraries Act 2003;
- ♦ execute all these responsibilities in accordance with the scope of the 2003 Act;
- ♦ advise the DCMS as requested on the operation of the 2003 Act.

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