

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS

Tom Bentley, Director of DEMOS, has been appointed to the Board of the National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts (NESTA) for a term of 4 years from 13 July 2003. Board members are entitled to claim an allowance of £165 per day spent on NESTA business.

Biographical details:

Tom Bentley is the Director of DEMOS, an independent think-tank based in London. His work covers a range of issues including democracy, technological change, the future of Government, education and innovation. He was a former special adviser to the Secretary of State for Education and Employment. He has carried out no other significant political activity within the last five years.

He was born and educated in the East End of London and studied politics, philosophy and economics at the University of Oxford. He is a trustee of The Roundhouse and the Community Action Network and Chairs the steering group of the Centres for Curiosity and Imagination Project.

Notes for Editors:

The National Lottery Act established the National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts (NESTA) in 1998 to support and promote talent, innovation and creativity in those fields. They help talented individuals (or groups of such individuals) in fields of science, technology and the arts to achieve their potential. The NESTA website can be viewed at <http://www.nesta.org.uk>