

Joint (Industry/Government) Working Group on Animal Disease Cost Sharing

TIMELINE AND WORK PROGRAMME

	Action	Date (week commencing)
1.	First Meeting of the Working Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms of Reference • Agreement on key issues • Mode of operation of the working group • Communication with stakeholders on progress from this meeting 	16 December 2005
2.	Second Meeting of the Working Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations on international models of cost sharing • Preliminary discussion of possible options for institutional arrangements appropriate for England • Options for cost sharing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bank Guarantee ▪ Disease Levy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'War chest' approach • Retrospective Levy ▪ Insurance ▪ Combination of the above ○ Government/industry split in cost sharing ○ Biosecurity incentives • Discussion of European Union initiatives and policies • Communication with stakeholders on progress from this meeting 	January 2006
3.	Third Meeting of the Working Group <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Which diseases should be covered? 2. Risk Ownership including border control issue 3. Economic analysis of cost sharing on different livestock sectors 4. Communication with stakeholders on progress from this meeting 	February 2006

4.	<p>Stakeholder Conference</p> <p>Issues for discussion would include cost sharing options as per Meeting 2 and 3</p>	March 2006
5.	<p>Fourth Meeting of the Working Group</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consideration of the options following the conference 2. Industry institutional and structural arrangements required 3. Communication with stakeholders on progress from this meeting 	March 2006
6.	<p>Fifth Meeting of the Working Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of options – discussion of preferred option/s • Drafting of Report of the Working Group • Communication with stakeholders on progress from this meeting 	April 2006 (<i>Stewart Houston away late April and early May</i>)
7.	<p>Sixth Meeting of the Working Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of Group Report • Next steps • Communication strategy on outcomes of the working group 	May 2006