

# [Appendix D]

## The Council's work 2004/2005

### Statutory Instruments

Listed below are the Statutory Instruments (excluding Orders under the Road Traffic Act 1991) considered by the Council and the Scottish Committee and made during the period 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005.

The Asylum and Immigration Tribunal (Judicial Titles) Order 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/227
The Asylum and Immigration Tribunal (Procedure) Rules 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/230
The Asylum and Immigration Tribunal (Fast Track Procedure) Rules 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/560
The Asylum and Immigration (Fast Track Time Limits) Order 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/561
The Asylum and Immigration Tribunal (Procedure) (Amendment) Rules 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/569
The Child Trust Funds (Appeals) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/990
The Competition Appeal Tribunal (Amendment and Communications Act Appeals) Rules 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/2068
The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals) (Wales) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/1805
The Education (School Organisation Proposals) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (England) Regulations 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/3052
The Employment Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) Regulations 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/1861
The Employment Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/2351
The Employment Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/435
The General Commissioners (Jurisdiction and Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/340
The High Hedges (Appeals) (England) Regulations 2005 ....	S.I. 2005/711
The Immigration and Asylum Appeals (Fast Track Procedure) (Amendment) Rules 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/1891
The Information Tribunal (Enforcement Appeals) Rules 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/14

The Information Tribunal (Enforcement Appeals) (Amendment) Rules 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/450
The Lands Tribunal for Scotland (Title Conditions Certificates) (Fees) Rules 2004 .....	S.S.I. 2004/479
The Lands Tribunal for Scotland Amendment (Fees) Rules 2004 .....	S.S.I. 2004/480
The Leasehold Valuation Tribunals (Procedure) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/3098
The National Health Service (Tribunal) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2004 .....	S.S.I. 2004/271
The National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 .....	S.S.I. 2005/118
The Non-Domestic Rating (Alteration of Lists and Appeals) (England) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/659
The Non-Domestic Rating (Alteration of Lists and Appeals) (Wales) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/758
The Patents Act 2004 (Commencement No. 1 and Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Order 2004 ...	S.I. 2004/2177
The Patents Act 2004 (Commencement No. 2 and Consequential, etc. and Transitional Provisions) Order 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/3205
The Pensions Appeal Tribunals (England and Wales) (Amendment) Rules 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/709
The Pensions Appeal Tribunals (Scotland) (Amendment) Rules 2005 .....	S.S.I. 2005/152
The Pension Protection Fund (Review and Reconsideration of Reviewable Matters) Regulations 2005 ..	S.I. 2005/669
The Pensions Regulator Tribunal Rules 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/690
The Pensions Regulator Tribunal (Legal Assistance Scheme) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/781
The Pensions Regulator Tribunal (Legal Assistance Scheme – Costs) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/782
The Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults and Care Standards Tribunal (Amendment) Regulations 2004 ..	S.I. 2004/2073
The Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults and Care Standards Tribunal (Amendment No.2) Regulations 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/3354
The Public Service Vehicles (Traffic Regulation Conditions) (England and Wales) Regulations 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/2682

The Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (South Lanarkshire Council) Regulations 2005 .....	S.S.I. 2005/13
The Social Security and Child Support Commissioners (Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/207
The Social Security, Child Support and Tax Credits (Decisions and Appeals) Amendment Regulations 2004 ...	S.I. 2004/3368
The Social Security, Child Support and Tax Credits (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/337
The Social Security Commissioners (Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/870
The Social Security Commissioners (Procedure) (Child Trust Funds) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/1031
The Social Security (Quarterly Work-focused Interviews for Certain Lone Parents) Regulations 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/2244
The Special Commissioners (Jurisdiction and Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/341
The Stamp Duty Land Tax (Appeals) Regulations 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/1363
The Tax Credits (Approval of Child Care Providers) Scheme 2005 .....	S.I. 2005/93
The Transport and Works (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 2004 .....	S.I. 2004/2018
The Water Services Charges (Billing and Collection) (Scotland) Order 2005 .....	S.S.I. 2005/54

## Visits

Our visits to tribunals are the most effective means by which we can discharge our statutory duty to “keep under review the constitution and working” of the tribunals we supervise. The discharge of our duty in relation to inquiries is effected in the same way. The details below expand the summary given in the introduction to this Report.

## Tribunals

Adjudication Panel for England (2) *Nottinghamshire, Cambridgeshire*  
 Adjudicator to HM Land Registry *London*  
 Agricultural Arbitrators *Devon*  
 Agricultural Lands Tribunal *Staffordshire*  
 Appeals Service (6) *London, Bedfordshire, Essex, Derbyshire, West Midlands, Gwynedd*  
 Appeals Service (Scotland) (5) *Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Irvine, Kirkcaldy, Stirling*  
 Children’s Hearings (Scotland) (3) *Elgin, Falkirk, Oban*  
 Competition Appeal Tribunal *London*  
 Criminal Injuries Compensation Appeals Panel (2) *London, Nottinghamshire*

Criminal Injuries Compensation (Scotland) (2) *Glasgow*  
 Crofters Commission (Scotland) *Inverness*  
 Education Appeal Committee (Scotland) (5) *Ayr, Dundee, Forfar, Motherwell, Peterhead*  
 Employment Tribunal (England & Wales) (3) *Leicestershire, Bedfordshire, Mid Glamorgan*  
 Employment Tribunal (Scotland) (2) *Aberdeen, Edinburgh*  
 Family Health Services Appeal Authority *London*  
 Immigration Adjudicators (2) *London, Staffordshire*  
 Immigration Adjudicator (Scotland) (2) *Glasgow*  
 Lands Tribunal *London*  
 Lands Tribunal (Scotland) *Perth*  
 Mental Health Review Tribunal (2) *Leicestershire, Northamptonshire*  
 Mental Health Review Tribunal (Wales) *Mid Glamorgan*  
 NHS Discipline Committee (Scotland) (2) *Edinburgh, Glasgow*  
 NHS National Appeal Panel (Scotland) *Duntocher*  
 Office of Fair Trading *West Midlands*  
 Pensions Appeal Tribunal (2) *Tyne & Wear, West Midlands*  
 Pensions Appeal Tribunal (Scotland) *Edinburgh*  
 Pensions Ombudsman *London*  
 Police Appeals Tribunal *Northumberland*  
 Police Appeal Tribunal (Scotland) *Inverness*  
 Primary Care Trust Discipline Committee *Essex*  
 Rent Assessment Panel (3) *London, Norfolk, West Sussex*  
 Rent Assessment Panel (Scotland) *Glasgow*  
 Schools Admission Appeal Panels (2) *Surrey, Dorset*  
 Schools Exclusion Appeal Panels (2) *Berkshire, Nottinghamshire*  
 Scottish Parking Appeals Service (Scotland) (2) *Edinburgh, Glasgow*  
 Social Security and Child Support Commissioners *London*  
 Special Commissioner of Income Tax (Scotland) *Edinburgh*  
 Special Educational Needs and Disability Tribunal (2) *London, West Sussex*  
 Traffic Commissioner (Scotland) *Edinburgh*  
 Valuation Appeal Committee (Scotland) (3) *Ayr, Edinburgh, Glasgow*  
 Valuation Tribunal (2) *London, Clwyd*  
 VAT and Duties Tribunal *Greater Manchester*

Inquiries

Access to the Countryside *Wales*  
 Local and Unitary Development Plans *Bedfordshire*  
 Public Inquiry (Scotland) *Edinburgh*

Conferences and Training Seminars

Annual meeting of the British and Irish Ombudsman Association *London*  
 Appeals Service Training Seminar *London*  
 Appeals Service Training Seminar *Glasgow*  
 Appeals Service User Group *Glasgow*  
 Association of Chief Police Officers Conferences *Dunkeld*  
 Children's Hearings Training Seminars *Edinburgh*  
 Citizens Advice Conference *North Yorkshire*  
 Competition Commission Lecture *London*

Criminal Injuries Compensation Appeal Panel Users Forum *London*  
 Crofters Commission Meeting *Inverness*  
 ISCG Training Course for Schools Exclusion Appeals *London*  
 EASI Group *Northamptonshire*  
 Education Appeal Panel Training Seminars (2) *Glenrothes, Govan*  
 Employment Tribunal Training Seminars *Aberdeen*  
 Employment Tribunal User Groups (3) *Edinburgh*  
 GCIT Road Show *West Midlands*  
 GCIT Training 2004 *Tyne & Wear*  
 Immigration Appellate User Groups *Glasgow*  
 JSB Training Event *London*  
 Legal Action Group Seminar 'Breaking out or breaking down' – The future  
 of justice in the new era of dispute resolution *London*  
 MHRT Conference *Tyne & Wear*  
 MHRT Stakeholders meeting *London*  
 MHRT Members' Induction Course *Oxfordshire*  
 Pensions Appeal Tribunals: Consultative Group meeting *London*  
 Rent Assessment Panel Training Seminars *Glasgow*  
 Review of Children's Hearings meeting (2) *Edinburgh, Falkirk*  
 RPTS National Conference 2004 *London*  
 RPTS Management Board meeting *London*  
 RPTS Training Seminar *Northamptonshire*  
 RPTS User Group meeting *London*  
 Scottish Association of Law Centres Conferences *Glasgow*  
 Scottish Parking Appeals Service Conferences *Edinburgh*  
 Scottish Rights Advice Conference *Dunoon*  
 SEN Tribunal for Wales Training Conference *Powys*  
 SENDIST Training Event for Chairs and Members *London*  
 Special Commissioners and Chairmen of VAT and Duties Tribunal  
 Annual Conference *Berkshire*  
 Special Commissioners of Income Tax User Groups *Edinburgh*  
 Social Security and Child Support Commissioners Training Event *London*  
 VAT & Duties Tribunal User Group *Edinburgh*  
 VAT & Duties Tribunal Conference: Human Rights Training  
*Greater Manchester*

## Meetings

Apart from routine meetings held by our committees we had the following meetings during the course of the year with:

- The Honourable Justice Garry Downes, President of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal Australia
- Clare Dodgson, Chief Executive of the Legal Services Commission
- Professor Hazel Genn CBE, Professor of Socio-Legal Studies, Faculty of Laws, University College London
- Baroness Ashton, Parliamentary under-Secretary of State, Department for Constitutional Affairs

The Social Affairs committee had meetings with:

- His Honour Judge Sycamore, Liaison Judge for the Mental Health Review Tribunal
- John Griffiths and Julie Stewart, Department for Work and Pensions
- Margaret Burn and Jack Fargher, Heads of the Mental Health Review Tribunal Secretariat
- Christina Townsend, Chief Executive of the Appeals Service

The Economic and Regulatory committee had meetings with:

- Katrine Sporle, Chief Executive of the Planning Inspectorate
- David Laverick, President of the Adjudication Panel for England

The Communications committee met Marina Pirotta from Tribal MPC

Our Chairman attended regular meetings of the Department for Constitutional Affairs Tribunals Service Programme Board. He had meetings with Walter Merricks, Chairman of the British and Irish Ombudsman Association, and Paul Stockton from the Department for Constitutional Affairs. He gave an address at the Residential Property Tribunal's National Conference and to the Executive Board of the Legal Services Commission. He also gave evidence before the Joint Select Committee on the draft Mental Health Bill.

Apart from those he met at these events and at the Council's own Conference, the Chairman held separate meetings with:

- Dr Harcourt Concannon, President, Pensions Appeal Tribunal
- Peter Williamson, President of the Law Society
- Sir Leonard Peach, Non-executive Director of the Appeals Service
- Sehba Storey, Chief Asylum Support Adjudicator
- Roger Goodier, Chairman of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Appeals Panel

