WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2006 No. 1709 (W.171)

HOUSING, WALES

The Housing (Approval of Codes of Management Practice) (Student Accommodation) (Wales) Order 2006

Made	-	-	-	-		27 June 2006
Coming	into	force		-	-	7 July 2006

The National Assembly for Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 233(1) and (4) of the Housing Act 2004(1) and having taken reasonable steps to consult the persons mentioned in section 233(2) (a) and (b), and being satisfied with the publication arrangements in accordance with section 233(3), hereby makes the following Order:

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of this Order is The Housing (Approval of Codes of Management Practice) (Student Accommodation) (Wales) Order 2006 and it comes into force on 7 July 2006.

(2) This Order applies in relation to premises in Wales.

Approval of codes of practice

2.—(1) The codes of practice mentioned in paragraph (2) which lay down standards of conduct and practice to be followed with regard to the management of—

- (a) houses in multiple occupation that are occupied solely or principally by persons who occupy them for the purpose of undertaking a full-time course of further or higher education(2); or
- (b) buildings falling within paragraph 4 of Schedule 14 to the Housing Act 2004 (buildings occupied by students),

are approved for the purposes of section 233 of that Act.

(2) The codes of practice are—

^{(1) 2004 (}c. 34). The powers conferred by section 233 of the Housing Act 2004 ("the Act") are exercisable, as respects Wales, by the National Assembly for Wales and, as respects England, by the Sectretary of State. *See* the definition of the "appropriate national authority" in section 261(1).

⁽²⁾ For the meaning of "house in multiple occupation" see sections 254 to 259 of the Act.

- (a) the Universities UK/Standing Conference Of Principals Code of Practice for the Management of Student Housing (Wales) dated 16 May 2006(**3**);
- (b) the Accreditation Network UK/Unipol Code of Standards for Larger Developments for Student Accommodation Managed and Controlled by Educational Establishments (Wales) dated 16 May 2006(4); and
- (c) the Accreditation Network UK/Unipol Code of Standards for Larger Developments for Student Accommodation Not Managed and Controlled by Educational Establishments (Wales) dated 16 May 2006(5).

Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998(6).

27 June 2006

D. Elis-Thomas The Presiding Officer of the National Assembly

⁽³⁾ A copy of this Code may be obtained from the Housing Directorate, Department for Social Justice and Regeneration, Welsh Assembly Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ; e-mail: housing@wales.gsi.gov.uk; internet: www.wales.gov.uk, or Universities UK, Woburn House, 20 Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9HQ; e-mail: info@universitiesuk.ac.uk; internet: www.universitiesUK.ac.uk.

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^{(6) 1998} c. 38.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order approves three codes of practice laying down standards of conduct and practice to be followed with regard to the management of houses in multiple occupation ("HMOs") and other buildings that are occupied solely or principally by full-time students.

The other buildings mentioned are those falling within paragraph 4 of Schedule 14 to the Housing Act 2004 (which provides for a description of building occupied by students which is not a HMO for the purposes of that Act). In the case of these buildings, students who occupy them must do so for the purpose of undertaking full-time education courses at specified educational establishments. The Houses in Multiple Occupation (Specified Educational Establishments) (Wales) Regulations 2006 has been made to specify educational establishments for the purpose of paragraph 4 of Schedule 14.

A full regulatory appraisal of the effects of this Order is available from the Housing Directorate, Department for Social Justice and Regeneration, the National Assembly for Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ; e-mail: housing@wales.gsi.gov.uk; internet: www.wales.gov.uk