*These notes refer to the Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c.43) which received Royal Assent on 20 November 2003* 

# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE (COMMUNITY HEALTH AND STANDARDS) ACT 2003

# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

### **Part 1** – Nhs Foundation Trusts

#### Miscellaneous

#### Section 35: Conduct of elections

133. This section provides a power for the Secretary of State to make regulations about the conduct of elections for the membership of an NHS foundation trust. The regulations may include details on the nomination of candidates, systems and methods of voting, supervision of elections and the consequences of irregularities. There is also a power to create offences, punishable on summary conviction with a maximum fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.