

## SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 53(3)

### Delegation of Appellate Functions

**1.** In this Schedule—

“appointed person” means a person appointed under regulation 53(2)(a);

“appointment”, in the case of any appointed person, means appointment under regulation 53(2)(a).

**2.** An appointment must be in writing and—

(a) may relate to any particular appeal, matters or questions specified in the appointment or to appeals, matters or questions of a description so specified;

(b) may provide for any function to which it relates to be exercisable by the appointed person either unconditionally or subject to the fulfilment of such conditions as may be specified in the appointment; and

(c) may, by notice in writing to the appointed person, be revoked at any time by the appeal body in respect of any appeal, matter or question which has not been determined by the appointed person before that time.

**3.** Subject to the provisions of this Schedule, an appointed person, in relation to any appeal, matter or question to which the appointed person’s appointment relates, has the same powers and duties as the appeal body, other than any function of appointing a person for the purpose—

(a) of enabling persons to appear before and be heard by the person so appointed; or

(b) of referring any question or matter to that person.

**4.—(1)** If the appellant, the regulator or any person whose civil rights are to be determined in the appeal expresses a wish to appear before and be heard by the appointed person, the appointed person must give them an opportunity of appearing and being heard.

(2) Whether or not a person under sub-paragraph (1) has asked for an opportunity to appear and be heard, the appointed person—

(a) may hold a local inquiry or other hearing in connection with the appeal, matter or question; and

(b) must if the appeal body so directs, hold a local inquiry in connection with an appeal, matter or question.

(3) Where an appointed person holds a local inquiry or other hearing by virtue of this Schedule, an assessor may be appointed by the appeal body to sit with the appointed person at the inquiry or hearing and advise the appeal body on any matters arising, notwithstanding that the appointed person is to determine the appeal, matter or question.

(4) Subject to sub-paragraphs (5) and (6), the costs of a local inquiry held under this Schedule must be defrayed by the appeal body.

(5) Subject to sub-paragraph (6), subsections (2) to (5) of section 250 of the Local Government Act 1972(1) (local inquiries: evidence and costs) apply to hearings held under this Schedule by an appointed person as they apply to inquiries caused to be held under that section by a Minister, but with the following modifications, that is to say—

(a) with the substitution in subsection (2) (evidence) for the reference to the person appointed to hold the inquiry of a reference to the appointed person;

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(1) 1972 c. 70; section 250 has been amended by the Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1989 (c. 43), Schedule 1, Part IV, the Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c. 48), sections 37, 38 and 46 and the Housing and Planning Act 1986 (c. 63), Schedule 12, Part III.

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- (b) with the substitution in subsection (4) (recovery of costs of holding the inquiry) for the references to the Minister causing the inquiry to be held of references to the appeal body;
- (c) with the substitution for the reference in that subsection to a local authority of a reference to the regulator;
- (d) with the substitution in subsection (5) (orders as to the costs of the parties) for the reference to the Minister causing the inquiry to be held of a reference to the appeal body.

(6) In the case of an appeal to the Scottish Ministers, subsections (3) to (8) of section 210 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973<sup>(2)</sup> (which relates to the costs of and holding of local inquiries) apply to hearings held under this Schedule by an appointed person as they apply to inquiries held under that section, but with the following modifications, that is to say—

- (a) with the substitution in subsection (3) (notice of inquiry) for the reference to the person appointed to hold the inquiry of a reference to the appointed person;
- (b) with the substitution in subsection (4) (evidence) for the reference to the person appointed to hold the inquiry and, in paragraph (b), the reference to the person holding the inquiry of references to the appointed person;
- (c) with the substitution in subsection (6) (expenses of witnesses etc) for the references to the Minister causing the inquiry to be held of a reference to the appointed person or the Scottish Ministers;
- (d) with the substitution in subsection (7) (expenses)—
  - (i) for the first reference to the Minister of a reference to the Scottish Ministers; and
  - (ii) for the second reference to the Minister of a reference to the appointed person or the Scottish Ministers;
- (e) with the substitution in subsection (7A) (recovery of entire administrative expense)—
  - (i) for the first reference to the Minister of a reference to the appointed person or the Scottish Ministers;
  - (ii) in paragraph (a), for the reference to the Minister of a reference to the Scottish Ministers; and
  - (iii) in paragraph (b), for the reference to the Minister holding the inquiry of a reference to the Scottish Ministers;
- (f) with the substitution in subsection (7B) (power to prescribe daily amount)—
  - (i) for the first reference to the Minister of a reference to the Scottish Ministers;
  - (ii) in paragraphs (a) and (c), for the references to the person appointed to hold the inquiry of references to the appointed person; and
  - (iii) in paragraph (d), for the reference to the Minister of a reference to the appointed person or the Scottish Ministers; and
- (g) with the substitution in subsection (8) (certification of expenses)—
  - (i) for the words “the Minister has”, of the words “the Scottish Ministers have”;
  - (ii) for the reference to him and the reference to the Crown of references to the appointed person or the Scottish Ministers.

**5.—(1)** Where under paragraph 2(c) the appointment of the appointed person is revoked in respect of any appeal, matter or question, the appeal body must, unless it proposes to determine the appeal,

(2) 1973 c. 65, section 210 was amended by the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 (c. 21), sections 289F and 289G (which were inserted into that Act by the Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c. 48), section 54) and the Housing and Planning Act 1986, Schedule 11, paragraph 39.

matter or question itself, appoint another person under regulation 53(2)(a) to determine the appeal, matter or question instead.

(2) Where such a new appointment is made, the consideration of the appeal, matter or question, or any hearing in connection with it, must be begun afresh.

**6.—**(1) Anything done or omitted to be done by an appointed person in, or in connection with, the exercise of any function to which the appointment relates is for all purposes as done or omitted to be done by the appeal body in its capacity as such.

(2) Sub-paragraph (1) does not apply—

- (a) for the purposes of so much of any contract made between the appeal body and the appointed person as relates to the exercise of the function; or
- (b) for the purposes of any criminal proceedings brought in respect of anything done or omitted to be done by an appointed person in, or in connection with, the exercise or purported exercise of any function to which the appointment relates.