SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 17

Matters to be taken into account when assessing the suitability of P to care for C

1. In respect of P—

(a) P's capacity to care for children and in particular in relation to C to—

(i) provide for C's physical needs and appropriate medical and dental care,

(ii) protect C adequately from harm or danger, including from any person who presents a risk of harm to C,

(iii) ensure that the home environment is safe for C,

(iv) ensure that C's emotional needs are met and C is provided with a positive sense of self, including any particular needs arising from C's religious persuasion, racial origin and cultural and linguistic background, and any disability C may have,

(v) promote C's learning and intellectual development through encouragement, cognitive stimulation and the promotion of educational success and social opportunities,

(vi) enable C to regulate C's emotions and behaviour, including by modelling appropriate behaviour and interactions with others, and

(vii) provide a stable family environment to enable C to develop and maintain secure attachments to P and other persons who provide care for C,

(b) P's state of health including P's physical, emotional and mental health and medical history including any current or past issues of domestic violence, substance misuse or mental health problems,

(c) P's family relationships and the composition of P's household, including particulars of—

(i) the identity of all other members of the household, including their age and the nature of their relationship with P and with each other, including any sexual relationship,

(ii) any relationship with any person who is a parent of C,

(iii) other adults not being members of the household who are likely to have regular contact with C, and

(iv) any current or previous domestic violence between members of the household, including P,

(d) P's family history, including—

(i) particulars of P's childhood and upbringing including the strengths and difficulties of P's parents or other persons who cared for P,

(ii) P's relationships with P's parents and siblings, and their relationships with each other,

(iii) P's educational achievement and any specific learning difficulty or disability,

(iv) a chronology of significant life events, and

(v) particulars of other relatives and their relationships with C and P,

(e) particulars of any criminal offences of which P has been convicted or in respect of which P has been cautioned,

(f) P's past and present employment and other sources of income, and

(g) the nature of the neighbourhood in which P's home is situated and resources available in the community to support C and P.

2. In respect of members of P's household aged 18 and over, so far as is practicable, all the particulars specified in paragraph 1 except sub-paragraphs (d), (f) and (g).