

Committee:	The Standards Committee
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Title:	The Standards Committee's Hearing Procedure
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Purpose:	Observations and Approval

Background

1. Attached is the Standards Committee's Hearing Procedure including proposed amendments following the experience of recent hearings. The changes are highlighted in the document but fall into the following general areas:

- Corporate communication arrangements
- Setting dates
- Arrangements for gathering and sharing information and evidence before the hearing
- Arrangements after the hearing

2. new Information Leaflet is also attached. The intention is that a concise and simple document is available for the Member and anyone else who requires an explanation of the procedure at any stage of the process.

Recommendations

3. The Committee's comments and approval are requested on

3.1 the amendments to the Procedure

3.2 the Information Sheet