

## **Appeals Panel**

To discharge with delegated authority the function of determining any appeal against any decision made by or on behalf of the Authority in respect of the matters hereunder; and in this respect to confirm or amend earlier decisions in accordance with any prescribed procedures:-

### **A. Review of Homeless Decisions**

- (a) An applicant's eligibility for assistance (S.184);
- (b) On what duty (if any) is owed under:
  - (i) ss.190 and 191 (intentional homelessness);
  - (ii) s.192 (no priority need and homeless unintentionally);
  - (iii) s.193 (priority need and homeless unintentionally);
  - (iv) s.195 (threatened with homelessness);
  - (v) s.196 (threatened with homelessness intentionally);
- (c) To notify another authority that the conditions for referral are met (s.198(1));
- (d) On whether the conditions for referral are met (s.198(5));
- (e) As to the duty owed in the case of a referral (ss.200(3) and (4));
- (f) On the suitability of accommodation offered under (b) or (e) above. In the case of s.193 (5) or s.193 (7), this is applicable whether or not the accommodation has been accepted.

### **B. Staffing Appeals**

All employee issues which involve a right of appeal by an individual employee to elected members.

### **C. Marriage Act Appeals**

Determination of appeals not being incompatible with the requirements of the Marriage Act and Regulations.

The use of substitutes as determined by the Council will allow a member to withdraw from a specific Appeals Hearing if it would be appropriate to

do so, having regard to any previous involvement with the case in question.

No Member or Officer who was involved in the original decision will be involved in the determination of the Appeal.