

DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION

WRITTEN REPLY

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FABIAN HAMILTON (LEEDS NORTH EAST): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what account is taken of relevant (a) financial and (b) non-financial interests in the appointment of members of independent review panels in his Department.

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FABIAN HAMILTON (LEEDS NORTH EAST): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what measures are in place to ensure the avoidance of conflicts of (a) financial and (b) non-financial interests of members of independent review panels in his Department.

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FABIAN HAMILTON (LEEDS NORTH EAST): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what criteria apply in respect of the selection of members of independent review panels commissioned by his Department.

(44383)

TIM LOUGHTON:

There are a number of possible routes by which someone might be appointed to an independent review panel depending on the scope and remit of the panel. Some appointments are made following a very light-touch process while others involve a more formal application and selection processes.

In all cases, appointees are required to observe Lord Nolan's "Seven Principles of Public Life", often described as "the Nolan Principles". The Seven Principles are selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership.

Further information describing the principles in more detail can be found on the
Commissioner for Public Appointments website:

http://www.publicappointmentscommissioner.org/Code_of_Practice/e0908a66106.html