Monitor of Requests to Review Panel Meetings 2008 - 2009

Ref:	Date Received	From	PC/DC	Decision	Date Assessed	Working Days	Averages
3094	12 August 2008	MoP	SCDC	No action	15 September 2008	22	22

The Standards Board for England has issued guidance to reflect the Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008 in respect of the local assessment of complaints. These regulations derive from the Local Government Act 2000, as amended by the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

The guidance issued clearly states that 'the review sub-committee must carry out its review within a maximum of three months of receiving the request. We recommend that the review sub-committee adopts a policy of undertaking the review within the same timescale as the initial assessment decision is taken, aiming to complete the review within an average of 20 working days."

Counting the working day following receipt of a complaint as day 1 and also counting the day the Review Panel meets to make an assessment of that complaint, the Assessment Panel is currently achieving a rolling average of 22 working days.