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Senate and Council

Subject: Report of the Ethical Advisory Committee 2011/12

Origin: Secretary, Ethical Advisory Committee

Date: March 2012

1. Terms of Reference

Information regarding the Terms of Reference of the Ethical Advisory Committee (EAC) is available on the EAC’s web-site at <http://www.lboro.ac.uk/admin/committees/ethical_advisory/index.htm>.

**2. Membership**

Due to the change in University structure from Faculties to Schools, six members are now appointed to represent the ten Schools. The membership remains the same until July 2014, when new members will need to be appointed. Dr S Mastana returned as Chair after the end of his study leave (February – July 2011).

3. Approval of Research Proposals and Generic Protocols

During 2011/12, the EAC met on three occasions and the Ethical Advisory Sub-Committee (EASC) nine times. In addition, some proposals were considered by Chair’s action, to facilitate urgent approval where required. Clearance to proceed was issued for 3 generic protocols and 223 research proposals. This represented a slight increase in the number of proposals submitted, compared to 2010-11. The table below shows the number of research proposals and generic protocols approved in each year since 2001-02.

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| **Academic Year** | **Research Proposals** | **Generic Protocols** |
| 2001-02 | 46 | 14 |
| 2002-03 | 65 | 6 |
| 2003-04 | 105 | 17 |
| 2004-05 | 146 | 5 |
| 2005-06 | 131 | 4 |
| 2006-07 | 156 | 6 |
| 2007-08 | 136 | 8 |
| 2008-09 | 178 | 14 |
| 2009-10 | 154 | 12 |
| 2010-11 | 194 | 5 |
| 2011-12 | 223 | 4 |

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###### Subject: Membership of Ethical Advisory Committee 2011/12 (Appendix I)

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| **Position** | **Member** | **Term of Office** |
| Committee Secretary | Z Stockdale |  |
| Chair | Dr S Mastana | until 31.7.2014 |
| Members appointed to represent 6 of the 10 Schools | A Chandra (WS) | until 31.7.2014 |
| Dr A El-Hamalawi (CV) | until 31.7.2014 |
| V Haines (DS) | until 31.7.2014 |
| Dr G Ragsdell (SC) | until 31.7.2014 |
| Dr S Shirreffs (PS) | until 31.7.2014 |
| Dr C Butler (SR) | until 31.7.2014 |
| Ethical and Environmental Officer, LSU (ex-officio) | I Maslovs |  |
| Health Safety Officer  (ex-officio) | C Moore |  |
| Co-opted members (up to four places) | M Alonso | until 31.7.2012 |
| T Ellis | until 31.7.2012 |
| Rev K Elliott | until 31.7.2012 |
| S Coney | until 31.7.2012 |
| Regularly in attendance | A Crawford | |

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