

Supervised Injecting Place Trial Act 1999

APPOINTMENT

INSTRUMENT NO. 23 OF 2000

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The *Supervised Injecting Place Trial Act 1999* governs the establishment, composition and functions of the Supervised Drug Injection Trial Advisory Committee.

Section 20(3) of the Act deals with the appointment of members and requires such appointments to be made by the Minister, for a period of three years.

The instruments appoint Members to the Supervised Drug Injection Trial Advisory Committee for a period not exceeding three years from the date of gazettal.

The *Supervised Injecting Place Trial Act 1999* (the Act) requires the Advisory Committee include a representative of a local residents association of an area where a supervised injecting place is, or is to be, located. Given that the final location of the supervised injecting place will be determined by the Advisory Committee, it may be necessary to alter the composition of the Advisory Committee to fully reflect the intention of the Act once the location of the supervised injecting place is finalised.

As such, the residents association representative will be appointed for an interim period not exceeding six months from the date of gazettal.

In accordance with Section 4 of the *Statutory Appointments Act 1994* the Standing Committee for Health and Community Care are currently being consulted on the appointments.