

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 4

CONTROL OF DONATIONS TO ACCREDITED CAMPAIGNERS

PART 1

INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

Sponsorship

- 3 (1) For the purposes of this Schedule sponsorship is provided in relation to an accredited campaigner if—
- (a) money or other property is transferred to the accredited campaigner or to any person for the benefit of the accredited campaigner, and
 - (b) the purpose (or one of the purposes) of the transfer is (or, having regard to all the circumstances, must reasonably be assumed to be)—
 - (i) to help the accredited campaigner with meeting, or to meet, to any extent, defined expenses incurred or to be incurred by or on behalf of the accredited campaigner, or
 - (ii) to secure that, to any extent, defined expenses are not incurred by or on behalf of the accredited campaigner.
- (2) “Defined expenses” means expenses in connection with—
- (a) a conference, meeting or other event organised by or on behalf of the accredited campaigner,
 - (b) the preparation, production or dissemination of any publication by or on behalf of the accredited campaigner, or
 - (c) study or research organised by or on behalf of the accredited campaigner.
- (3) But the following do not constitute sponsorship for the purposes of this Schedule—
- (a) the making of a payment in respect of a charge for admission to a conference, meeting or other event;
 - (b) the making of a payment in respect of the purchase price of, or any other charge for access to, any publication;
 - (c) the making of a payment in respect of the inclusion of an advertisement in any publication where the payment is made at a commercial rate.
- (4) The Minister may by regulations amend sub-paragraph (2) or (3).
- (5) Before making regulations under this paragraph the Minister must consult the Electoral Commission.
- (6) Regulations under this paragraph are subject to affirmative resolution procedure.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (7) In this paragraph “publication” means a publication made available in any form and by any means (whether or not to the public or any section of the public).