## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

Under article 21(1) and (2) of the National Assembly for Wales (Representation of the People) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/284) ("the 2003 Order") the entitlement of a returning officer at an election to the National Assembly for Wales to recover charges in respect of that person's services or expenses for, or in connection, with such an election depends upon —

- (a) the services or expenses being of a kind specified in an Order under those provisions;
- (b) the services being properly rendered and the expenses being properly incurred; and
- (c) the charges in respect of them being reasonable.

This Order is made under article 21 (1) and (2) of the 2003 Order and revokes the National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/3053) (W.288) and the National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) (Amendment) Order 2003 (S.I.2003/3117) (W.295). This Order specifies such services and expenses as are referred to above.

Part I of the Schedule to this Order describes the kinds of services rendered by a constituency returning officer or regional returning officer for, or in connection with, an election to the National Assembly for Wales in respect of which those persons are entitled to recover charges and sets out the maximum recoverable amounts in respect of those services.

Parts II and III of the Schedule describe the kinds of expenses incurred by a constituency returning officer or regional returning officer for, or in connection, with an election to the National Assembly for Wales in respect of which these persons are entitled to recover charges and sets out (in the case of Part II) the maximum recoverable amounts in respect of those expenses.