

Agreed Terms of Reference

1 TITLE 2011 Census Academic Advisory Group

2 PURPOSE

To provide a forum for communication between the Office for National Statistics (ONS) and the academic community on

- (a) the requirements for information from, and
- (b) the operational planning of, the 2011 Census in England and Wales, with particular reference to:-
- i) the population base and census definitions;
- ii) the geographic base;
- iii) the preparations and public relations for, and the methods and practice of, the data collection operation;
- iv) the content and format of the 2011 Census form;
- v) disclosure control and quality assurance;
- vi) the design of statistical reports and other outputs and the arrangements for dissemination;
- vii) co-ordinated development of the means of handling and analysing census output; and
- c) To act as a link between ONS and academic communities and to advise on arrangements for wider consultation as necessary

3 REPORTING

Current Census Project governance arrangements are under review and will be established in the next 3 months; the ESRC Census Programme Advisory Committee; and to obtain the endorsement of the Committee where appropriate.

4 MEETINGS

The Group will aim to meet twice a year, or more frequently as necessary.

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