

Regional Advisory Committee (RAC)					
Advisory NDPB					
Address	National Office for England, 620 Bristol Business Park, Coldharbour Lane, Bristol, BS16 1EJ				
Tel	0117 906 6000	Fax	0117 931 2859	Multiple Bodies	9 – one per region
Email	fcengland@forestry.gsi.gov.uk			Regulatory Function	No
Website	www.forestry.gov.uk/england-rac				
Terms of Reference	<p>a. to advise the Forestry Commissioners on the performance of the Forestry Commissioners' functions under Section 1(3) and Part II of the Forestry Act 1967;</p> <p>b. to advise the Forestry Commissioners on such other functions as the Forestry Commissioners may from time to time determine.</p> <p>The Committee's Remit is to:</p> <p>advise the Commission on the implementation at regional level of national forest strategies and associated policies, together with any expressions of these in regional forestry frameworks;</p> <p>advise on a small number of specific topics and issues which Commissioners will select, focusing on regional issues or implications;</p> <p>conciliate in disputed applications for grant aid and felling licences where there is a sustained objection by a statutory body; and advise the Commission on other applications when asked to do so by the Regional Director; and</p> <p>inform the Commission of matters of regional or local concern on which the RAC considers it necessary to comment.</p>				
Notes	The Committees are appointed by the Forestry Commissioners under Sections 37 and 38 of the Forestry Act 1967. Chairs and Members are normally appointed for a 3-year term of office, this may be renewed.				
Public Bodies Statistics 2008-2009					
Chair	Multiple (9 – one per English region)			Remuneration	£2,507 per annum
Chief Exec/Secretary	-			Remuneration	0
Public Meetings	No	Public Minutes	Yes	Register of Interests	-
Ombudsman	-	Annual Report	2008/09	Last Review	2004
Audit Arrangements	-	Gov't Funding	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA Regulated	No			Staff Employed	0
Chair	Ministerial		Chair	Non-Ministerial	6M 3F P
Deputy	Ministerial		Deputy	Non-Ministerial	-
Member	Ministerial		Member	Non-Ministerial	57M 13F U

Key: M- Male, F- Female, P- Paid & U- Unpaid.