



Continuing need for an independent Law Commission

The Government concluded its Triennial Review of the Law Commission and published its Stage Two Report on 20 March 2014.

“Triennial Reviews are part of the process by which Government departments scrutinise arm’s-length bodies. The Law Commission has stood up well to this scrutiny and we are pleased to note that the Government has formally recognised the continuing need for the Commission’s existing functions.

“The review also acknowledges the value that our many stakeholders place on the independence and impartiality of the Commission, and confirms that our non-departmental status is the most appropriate model for maintaining this independence.

“Since the Law Commission was set up in 1965, our recommendations have led to wide-ranging, profound and enduring changes in the law. Fifty years later, the need for a principled and strategic approach to law reform remains as strong as ever. We are delighted that the Government considers the Law Commission – in both form and function – to be the most appropriate body to continue this vital work.”

Sir David Lloyd Jones

Chairman

20 March 2014