

Unit 8

Other Acas publications dealing with information and consultation

Acas currently publishes two statutory codes and two advisory booklets dealing specifically within formation and consultation issues:

Disclosure of information to trade unions for collective bargaining purposes (Acas Code of practice 2) *Time off for trade union duties and activities* (Acas Code of practice 3) *Employee Communications and consultation Representation at work* In the light of the ICE Regulations, *Employee Communications and consultation* is likely to be substantially revised in 2005 and targeted at SMEs with less than 50 employees.

Details of the recent cases studies and research involving Acas front-line advisers referred to in the 'Introduction and overview' will be found in Gill Dix and Sarah Oxenbridge, Acas Research Paper 2003 07, 'Information and Consultation at Work: From Challenges to Good Practice'. Acas Research and Evaluation Section. Copies can be downloaded from www.acas.org.uk - follow the links from 'Policy' from the Acas home page.

Further case studies exploring the role of Acas advisers in assisting workplaces to develop and improve information and consultation arrangements are currently being undertaken and the results available shortly. These will focus on both public and private sector workplaces and address issues of good practice, the challenges and opportunities involved, as well as evaluating the assistance provided by Acas. For further information on case studies and evaluation of Acas services, contact Sarah Oxenbridge (soxenbridge@acas.org.uk).