Detail of Probationary arrangements for Junior Academic Staff

Please also refer to the PowerPoint presentation showing the workflow for the probation form

The following are generally the probationary arrangement for new appointments to Assistant Professor

Four year probation	This is the correct and appropriate arrangement. Arrangement include two Reviews, plus a Preliminary Review panel and a final Review panel, followed by Council approval. In all contracts issued from 2014 onwards.
Four and a half year probation	Applies to staff who start after 1st January in an academic year. Arrangements include two Reviews, plus a Preliminary Review Panel and a Final Review Panel, followed by Council approval. Issued to Assistant Lecturers from 2014 onwards.
One year probation	Applies to staff with experience whose Dean made the case to have their probation period reduced.
Three year probation	Applies to junior academic staff who received contracts of employment up to Autumn 2014. Arrangements include two Reviews. These are not used anymore and were based on a legacy probation policy.
One year Performance Review	Contracts with these Reviews (in lieu of probation) were issued to staff on shorter contracts, and specific purpose /COID contracts for circa two years from 2013.
New Tenure Track	Probationary arrangements for Assistant Professors on the new proposed new tenure track contract will need to be aligned with tenure track policy when it is approved