Normative Influences (II): Approval

How much each of the following disapprove if you were to smoke cannabis?

	Disapprove Extremely	Disapprove Very much	Disapprove	Disapprove Slightly	Would not Disapprove
(a) Your best friend	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(b) Your other good friends	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(c) Other people your age in your school	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(d) Other people your age in other schools	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

How much each of the following disapprove if you were to use solvents?

	Disapprove Extremely	Disapprove Very much	Disapprove	Disapprove Slightly	Would not Disapprove
(e) Your best friend	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(f) Your other good friends	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(g) Other people your age in your school	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(h) Other people your age in other schools	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

How much each of the following disapprove if you were to take ecstasy?

	Disapprove Extremely	Disapprove Very much	Disapprove	Disapprove Slightly	Would not Disapprove
(i) Your best friend	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(j) Your other good friends	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(k) Other people your age in your school	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
(l) Other people your age in other schools	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

Calculation Indices: Code responses as follows: 'disapprove extremely' = 1 to 5 = 'would not disapprove'. The mean of items (a) to (d) inclusive indicate level of normative support (through approval) for use of cannabis, items (e) to (h) provide the corresponding information on solvents, while (i) to (l) give the same information on ecstasy. The grand mean of all items provide a combined measure of normative support (through approval).

An overall measure of normative support including both behaviour and approval can be obtained from the mean of all of the items under both headings (behaviour and approval). A measure of normative support which is specific to each substance can be

obtained, for example, by getting the mean of items (a) to (d) for behaviour and (a) to (d) for approval in the case of cannabis.