CLAIMS

1. An ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) comprising a sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206), the sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) having an outside surface and an opposite inside surface, wherein the outside surface of the sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) forms at least part of the outside surface of the pouch, and at least part of the sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) is coated with a hot-melt adhesive (51); wherein a layer of woven comfort material (6, 206) covering the front of the pouch comprises an upper part (6a) and a lower part (6b), which overlap in an overlap region (115); and the hot-melt adhesive (51) is provided on one or both parts in the overlap region (115).

2. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) as claimed in claim 1, wherein the ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) comprises: a front surface facing away from the ostomate in use; a rear surface facing towards the ostomate in use; and a sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) coated with a hot-melt adhesive (51) on its inside surface forming both the front and rear surfaces of the pouch.

3. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) as claimed in claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the hot-melt adhesive is a web comprising a mass (M) and a plurality of voids (V) in the mass (M), preferably wherein the voids (V) make up at least 50% of the web.

4. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the hot-melt adhesive (51) is applied to the entirety of the inside surface of the woven comfort material (6, 206).

5. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the inside surface of the or each sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) is divided into one or more regions with hot-melt adhesive (51) applied to one or more of the regions.

6. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, wherein the ostomy pouch comprises a foldable drain (41), wherein in a folded configuration, the drain (41) remains within the external periphery of the ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001); wherein the drain (41) is retained in the folded

configuration by a closure means attached to the, or a, sheet of comfort material (6, 206); and wherein the closure means comprises a flap (223) welded to the woven comfort material (6, 206) along the flap's (223) top edge.

7. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the hot melt adhesive (51) is applied at the periphery of the sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) and has an area density of 20-30 g/m^2.

8. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, wherein the woven comfort material (6, 206) comprises polyester.

9. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, wherein the hot-melt adhesive comprises ethylene-vinyl acetate (EVA).

10. A method of forming an ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) according to any one of claims 1 to 9, the method comprising: coating at least part of one side of a sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) with a hot-melt adhesive (51) to provide an inside surface comprising the coating; providing a rear wall (2, 202) and a front wall (3, 203) which define a cavity for containing stomal output; arranging the inside surface of the sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) adjacent the rear wall (2, 202) and/or the front wall (3, 203); and bonding the inside surface of the sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) to one or more of the rear wall (2, 202) and/or front wall (3, 203) of the ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001).

11. The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the method comprises bonding a front sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) having a hot-melt adhesive (51) coated on its inside surface to the front wall (3, 203), and a rear sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) having a hot-melt adhesive (51) coated on its inside surface to the rear wall (2, 202) of the ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) and wherein the bonding of the pouch is by welding.

12. The method as claimed in claim 10 or claim 11, wherein the front wall (3, 203) comprises a transparent sheet of flexible material, and the method includes bonding the inside surface of the sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) to the front wall (3, 203).

13. The method as claimed in any one of claims 10 to 12, wherein the step of applying the hot melt adhesive (51) to one side of a sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) is conducted at least 1 hour before bonding the inside surface of the sheet of comfort material (6, 206) to the wall.

14. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) of claim 2 or any one of the claims dependent thereon, wherein a web of hot-melt adhesive (51) coats at least the upper part of the rear surface facing towards the ostomate in use; and a web of hot melt adhesive (51) coats at least the upper part (6a) of the layer of woven comfort material (6, 206) covering the front of the pouch.

15. The ostomy pouch (1, 201, 1001) of any one of claims 1 to 9, or claim 14, comprising a cavity for storing stomal output; the cavity defined by a rear wall (2, 202) and a front wall (3, 203) joined at their peripheries and formed of flexible sheet material; the inside surfaces of the rear (2, 202) and front walls (3, 203) forming the interior of the cavity and the outside surfaces of the rear (3, 203) and front walls (2, 202) forming the exterior of the cavity; wherein the sheet of woven comfort material (6, 206) covers the outside surface of the front wall (3, 203); and wherein at least part of the hot-melt adhesive (51) is on the inside surface of the comfort material (6, 206) and is adjacent, facing and unbonded to the outside surface of the front wall (3, 203).