## WELFARE FUNDS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2015

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## COMMENTARY ON INDIVIDUAL PROVISIONS

## Section 7: Application to Ombudsman for further review

- 34. This section provides for applications to the Ombudsman for a further review of a local authority decision (following initial review by the local authority).
- 35. Subsection (2) provides that an application for further review may be made by the applicant, or a person authorised by the applicant.
- 36. Subsection (3) provides that an application may be made orally or in writing.
- 37. Subsection (4) provides that the Ombudsman must not consider an application for further review if it is made more than one month after the applicant was first informed of the outcome of a local authority review, unless the Ombudsman is satisfied that there are circumstances which make it appropriate to consider an application made out with the one month period.
- 38. Subsection (5) provides that it is for the Ombudsman to determine whether an application for further review has been duly made.