### SCHEDULE 1

(introduced by section 3(1)(a)(i))

### SCOTTISH PUBLIC AUTHORITIES

# PART 1

# MINISTERS, THE PARLIAMENT

- 1 The Scottish Ministers.
- The Scottish Parliament.
- The Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

### PART 2

NON MINISTERIAL OFFICE HOLDERS IN THE SCOTTISH ADMINISTRATION

- 4 The Chief Dental Officer of the Scottish Administration.
- 5 The Chief Medical Officer of the Scottish Administration.
- 6 Her Majesty's [F1Inspectors] of Constabulary.

### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Word in sch. 1 para. 6 substituted (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), s. 129(2), sch. 7 para. 20(a); S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121)
- 7 Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons for Scotland.
- [F27ZA Consumer Scotland.]

# **Textual Amendments**

- F2 Sch. 1 para. 7ZA inserted (1.4.2022) by Consumer Scotland Act 2020 (asp 11), s. 29(2), sch. 2 para. 3; S.S.I. 2021/464, reg. 2
- [F37A The Drinking Water Quality Regulator for Scotland]

### **Textual Amendments**

- F3 Sch. 1 para. 7A added (13.10.2008) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 2, Sch. 1
- [F47AA Environmental Standards Scotland.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F4** Sch. 1 para. 7AA inserted (1.10.2021) by UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021 (asp 4), s. 51(2), sch. 1 para. 15(2) (with s. 48(2)); S.S.I. 2021/304, reg. 2(b)

# [F57B Food Standards Scotland.]

### **Textual Amendments**

- F5 Sch. 1 para. 7B inserted (1.4.2015) by Food (Scotland) Act 2015 (asp 1), ss. 17(3), 63(2) (with s. 62); S.S.I. 2015/99, art. 2
- 8 Her Majesty's Inspector of Anatomy for Scotland.
- [F69] Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.]

### **Textual Amendments**

- F6 Sch. 1 para. 9 substituted (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), s. 129(2), sch. 7 para. 63(a); S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121)
- Her Majesty's inspectors of schools (that is to say, the inspectors of schools appointed by Her Majesty on the recommendation of the Scottish Ministers under the Education (Scotland) Act 1980 (c.44)).
- 11 The Keeper of the Records of Scotland.
- The Keeper of the Registers of Scotland.
- [F712A The Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator]

### **Textual Amendments**

- F7 Sch. 1 para. 12A added (13.10.2008) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 2, Sch. 1
- 13 A procurator fiscal.
- The Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer.
- The Queen's Printer for Scotland.
- The Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages for Scotland.
- 17 The Registrar of Independent Schools in Scotland.
- A rent officer appointed under section 43(3) of the Rent (Scotland) Act 1984 (c.58).

  [F8 Revenue Scotland]

# **Textual Amendments**

**F8** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 2 inserted (1.1.2015) by Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act 2014 (asp 16), s. 260(2), sch. 4 para. 5 (with ss. 257-259); S.S.I. 2014/370, art. 2, sch.

# [F918A The Scottish Court Service.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F9 Sch. 1 para. 18A inserted (1.10.2009) by Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008 (asp 6), ss. 60(2), 76, Sch. 3 para. 18; S.S.I. 2009/318, art. 2, Sch.

# [F1018AA The Scottish Fiscal Commission]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F10** Sch. 1 para. 18AA inserted (1.4.2017) by Scottish Fiscal Commission Act 2016 (asp 17), **ss. 29(2)**, 31(2); S.S.I. 2016/326, reg. 2(2)

# [F1118B The Scottish Housing Regulator.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F11 Sch. 1 para. 18B inserted (20.11.2014) by Housing (Scotland) Act 2014 (asp 14), s. 104(3), sch. 2 para. 13(2); S.S.I. 2014/264, art. 2, sch.

<sup>F12</sup>19 ....

# **Textual Amendments**

F12 Sch. 1 para. 19 repealed (1.4.2011) by The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2011 (S.S.I. 2011/211), art. 1, sch. 1 para. 11(a)(i)

### PART 3

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- An assessor appointed under section 27(2) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c.39).
- A council constituted by section 2 of that Act.
- A joint board, within the meaning of section 235(1) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (c.65).
- A licensing board [F13 continued in existence by or established under section 5 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 16)].

# **Textual Amendments**

**F13** Words in Sch. 1 para. 23 substituted (1.5.2007) by Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 16), ss. 144, 150, **Sch. 6 para. 10** (with s. 143); S.S.I. 2007/129, **art. 3**, Sch.

24 The Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority.

### PART 4

THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE F14 25 **Textual Amendments** F14 Sch. 1 para. 25 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2 26 The Common Services Agency for the Scottish Health Service. 27 A Health Board, constituted under section 2 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978. [F1527A. Healthcare Improvement Scotland. **Textual Amendments** F15 Sch. 1 para. 27A inserted (1.4.2011) by The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2011 (S.S.I. 2011/211), art. 1, sch. 2 para. 7(a) 28 **Textual Amendments** F16 Sch. 1 para. 28 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2 29 F17 **Textual Amendments** F17 Sch. 1 para. 29 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2 IF1829A The National Waiting Times Centre Board **Textual Amendments** F18 Sch. 1 para. 29A added (13.10.2008) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 2, Sch. 1

- A local health council, established under section 7 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978.
- 31 A National Health Service trust.
- 32 NHS 24.
- [F1932A NHS Education for Scotland]

### **Textual Amendments**

F19 Sch. 1 para. 32A added (13.10.2008) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 2, Sch. 1

<sup>F20</sup>32B ....

### **Textual Amendments**

**F20** Sch. 1 para. 32B omitted (1.4.2020) by virtue of The Public Health Scotland Order 2019 (S.S.I. 2019/336), art. 1(3)(b), sch. 2 para. 2(2)(a) (with art. 4(4)(5))

F2132C ....

### **Textual Amendments**

- F21 Sch. 1 para. 32C repealed (1.4.2011) by The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2011 (S.S.I. 2011/211), art. 1, sch. 2 para. 7(b)
- A person providing [F<sup>22</sup>primary medical services under a general medical services contract (within the meaning of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978) or] general dental services, general ophthalmic services or pharmaceutical services under Part II of [F<sup>23</sup>that Act], but only in respect of information relating to the provision of those services.

### **Textual Amendments**

- **F22** Words in Sch. 1 para. 33 substituted (1.4.2004) by Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 1), ss. 8, 9(1), Sch. para. 5(a)(i); S.S.I. 2004/58, art. 2(3)
- **F23** Words in Sch. 1 para. 33 substituted (1.4.2004) by Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 1), ss. 8, 9(1), Sch. para. 5(a)(ii); S.S.I. 2004/58, art. 2(3)
- A person providing [F<sup>24</sup>primary medical services] or personal dental services under arrangements made under section 17C of that Act, but only in respect of information relating to the provision of those services.

### **Textual Amendments**

- **F24** Words in Sch. 1 para. 34 substituted (1.4.2004) by Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 1), ss. 8, 9(1)(2), Sch. para. 5(b); S.S.I. 2005/58, art. 2(3)
- A person providing, in Scotland, piloted services within the meaning of the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (c.46), but only in respect of information relating to the provision of those services.
- [F2535A. Public Health Scotland.]

Textu	al Amendments
F25	Sch. 1 para. 35A inserted (1.4.2020) by The Public Health Scotland Order 2019 (S.S.I. 2019/336), art.
120	
	1(3)(b), sch. 2 para. 2(2)(b) (with art. 4(4)(5))
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Textu	al Amendments
F26	Sch. 1 para. 36 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
120	(Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2
	(Scottish Fubile Authorities) Amendment Order 2006 (S.S.I. 2006/277), art. 3, Sch. 2
37	The Scottish Advisory Committee on Distinction Awards.
20	F27
38	r2/
Toutu	al Amendments
F27	
FZ/	Sch. 1 para. 38 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
	(Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2
39	The Scottish Ambulance Service Board.
40	F28
Toytu	al Amendments
F28	Sch. 1 para. 40 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
	(Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2
41	The Scottish Dental Practice Board.
42	F29
Toutu	al Amendments
F29	Sch. 1 para. 42 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
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	(Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2
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Textu	al Amendments
F30	Sch. 1 para. 43 repealed (1.11.2005) by Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 13),
1.30	ss. 42(2), 43(3), Sch. 3; S.S.I. 2005/492, art. 3(b), Sch. 2
	55. 72(2), 75(5), 50th 5, 5.5.1. 2005/772, <b>at t. 5(0)</b> , 50th 2
11	F31

### **Textual Amendments**

- F31 Sch. 1 Pt. 4: para. relating to the Scottish Hospital Trust repealed (6.5.2004) by Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003, ss. 17, 21(2), Sch. 4 para. 17(a)(i); S.S.I. 2004/198, art. 2(c)
- The State Hospitals Board for Scotland.
- 46 F32

### **Textual Amendments**

F32 Sch. 1 Pt. 4: para. relating to the Scottish Medical Practices Committee repealed (1.4.2004) by Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (asp. 4), ss. 17, 21(2), Sch. 4 para. 17(a)(ii); S.S.I. 2004/148, art. 2(c)

### PART 5

### **EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS**

- The board of management of a college of further education (expressions used in this paragraph having the same meaning as in section 36(1) of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 (c.37)).
- A central institution within the meaning of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980.
- An institution in receipt of funding from the [F33Scottish Further and Higher Education Funding Council][F34or a regional strategic body (within the meaning of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005)] other than any institution whose activities are principally carried on outwith Scotland.

# **Textual Amendments**

- **F33** Words in Sch. 1 para. 49 substituted (3.10.2005) by Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 6), ss. 32, 36, Sch. 3 para. 12(a); S.S.I. 2005/419, art. 2(1)
- **F34** Words in sch. 1 para. 49 inserted (1.5.2014) by Post-16 Education (Scotland) Act 2013 (asp 12), s. 23(2), **sch. para. 6**; S.S.I. 2014/79, art. 2(1), sch. 1

### PART 6

# POLICE

A chief constable of [F35the Police Service of Scotland].

### **Textual Amendments**

F35 Words in sch. 1 para. 50 substituted (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), s. 129(2), sch. 7 para. 20(b); S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121)

[F3650A The Scottish Police Authority.]

# **Textual Amendments** F36 Sch. 1 para. 50A inserted (8.8.2012) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), s. 129(1) (a), sch. 1 para. 15 I<sup>F37</sup>50B The Police Negotiating Board for Scotland.] **Textual Amendments** F37 Sch. 1 para. 50B inserted (17.8.2023) by Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (asp 1), ss. 114(1)(a), 117(2); S.S.I. 2023/139, art. 2(c) F3851 **Textual Amendments** F38 Sch. 1 para. 51 repealed (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), s. 129(2), sch. 8 Pt. 1; S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121) F3952 **Textual Amendments** F39 Sch. 1 para. 52 repealed (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), s. 129(2), sch. 8 Pt. 1; S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121) F4052A **Textual Amendments** F40 Sch. 1 para. 52A repealed (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), s. 129(2), sch. 8 Pt. 1; S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121) PART 7 **OTHERS** 53 The Accounts Commission for Scotland. F4154 **Textual Amendments** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 repealed (1.8.2010) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), ss. 2(4), 134(7); S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(2), sch. 55

### **Textual Amendments**

F42 Sch. 1 Pt. 7: para. relating to the Ancient Monuments Board for Scotland repealed (31.5.2008) by Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (asp 4), ss. 17, 21(2), Sch. 4 para. 17(b)(i); S.S.I. 2003/219, art 2(1)(c)

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### **Textual Amendments**

F43 Sch. 1 para. 56 repealed (1.4.2007) by Tourist Boards (Scotland) Act 2006 (asp 15), ss. 4, 5(1), Sch. 2 para. 8(a)(i); S.S.I. 2007/47, art. 2

- 57 Audit Scotland.
- The Auditor General for Scotland.
- The Board of Trustees for the National Galleries of Scotland.
- The Board of Trustees of the National Museums of Scotland.
- The Board of Trustees of the Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh.
- 61A [F44Bòrd na Gàidhlig]

# **Textual Amendments**

**F44** Sch. 1 para. 61A inserted (13.2.2006) by virtue of Gaelic Language (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 7), ss. 12, 13, Sch. 2 para. 3; S.S.I. 2006/31, art. 2

# [F4561AA Boundaries Scotland]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F45** Sch. 1 para. 61AA inserted (14.5.2021) by Scottish Elections (Reform) Act 2020 (asp 12), s. 35, sch. para. 5(a); S.S.I. 2021/124, reg. 2, sch.

# I<sup>F46</sup>61B The British Waterways Board.]

# **Textual Amendments**

**F46** Sch. 1 para. 61B inserted (2.7.2012) by The British Waterways Board (Transfer of Functions) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/1659), art. 1(2), **Sch. 3 para. 25** (with arts. 4-6)

F4762 .....

# **Textual Amendments**

**F47** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 removed (28.5.2013) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/126), arts. 1, **2(b)** 

[F4862ZZZAChildren's Hearings Scotland.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F48** Sch. 1 para. 62ZZZA inserted (18.4.2011) by The Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Devolved Public Bodies and Stipulated Time Limit) and the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2011 (S.S.I. 2011/113), arts. 1, 4

I<sup>F49</sup>627ZA The Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F49 Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 substituted (1.4.2015) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2014 (S.S.I. 2014/354), arts. 1, 2(d)

[F5062ZA The Commissioner for Children and Young People in Scotland]

# Textual Amendments F50 Sch. 1 para. 62ZA added (13.10.2008) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 2, Sch. 1 F5162A

# **Textual Amendments**

F51 Sch. 1 para. 62A repealed (31.3.2017) by Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (asp 10), s. 41(2), sch. 2 para. 4; S.S.I. 2017/33, reg. 2(1)(2), sch.

<sup>F52</sup>62B ....

### **Textual Amendments**

**F52** Sch. 1 para. 62B repealed (15.8.2011) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), s. 134(7)(8), sch. 2 para. 21; S.S.I. 2011/278, art. 2(d)

[F536277C Community Justice Scotland.]

# **Textual Amendments**

F53 Sch. 1 para. 62ZZC inserted (1.4.2017) by Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (asp 10), s. 41(2), sch. 1 para. 14(3); S.S.I. 2017/33, reg. 2(3)

[F5462ZC The Convener of the School Closure Review Panels.]

# **Textual Amendments**

F54 Sch. 1 para. 62ZC inserted (9.1.2015) by Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 (asp 8), ss. 81(11)(a), 102(3); S.S.I. 2014/353, art. 2(1)(b)

[F5562C Creative Scotland.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F55 Sch. 1 para. 62C inserted (1.7.2010) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), s. 134(7), sch. 10 para. 3(a); S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(1)

[F5662D The Criminal Courts Rules Council.]

### **Textual Amendments**

Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 inserted (28.5.2013) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/126), arts. 1, 2(a), sch.

- The Crofters Commission.
- 63A [F57Crown Estate Scotland].

# **Textual Amendments**

**F57** Words in sch. 1 para. 63A substituted (1.4.2020) by Scottish Crown Estate Act 2019 (asp 1), s. 46(2), sch. 1 para. 4; S.S.I. 2020/77, reg. 2(1), sch. 1

<sup>F58</sup>64 .....

# **Textual Amendments**

**F58** Sch. 1 Pt. 7 entry repealed (1.8.2010) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), s. 134(7), sch. 1 para. 30; S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(2), sch.

<sup>F59</sup>65 .....

### **Textual Amendments**

**F59** Sch. 1 para. 65 omitted (1.10.2010) by virtue of Flood and Water Management Act 2010 (c. 29), ss. **46(5)**, 49(3) (with s. 49(1)(6)); S.I. 2010/2169, art. 4, Sch.

The General Teaching Council for Scotland.

I<sup>F60</sup>66A Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prosecution in Scotland]

# **Textual Amendments**

**F60** Sch. 1 para. 66A added (13.10.2008) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 2, **Sch. 1** 

67 Highlands and Islands Enterprise.

[F6167ZA Historic Environment Scotland.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F61 Sch. para. 67ZA inserted (27.2.2015) by Historic Environment Scotland Act 2014 (asp 19), s. 31(2), sch. 6 para. 3(a) (with ss. 29, 30); S.S.I. 2015/31, art. 2, sch.

[F6267ZB ILF Scotland.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F62** Sch. 1 para. 67ZB inserted (28.6.2018) by The ILF Scotland (Miscellaneous Listings) Order 2018 (S.S.I. 2018/214), arts. 1, **2(2)** 

<sup>F63</sup>67A

### **Textual Amendments**

**F63** Sch. 1 para. 67A repealed (1.8.2010) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), ss. 7(4), 134(7); S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(2), Sch.

An integration joint board established by order under section 9(2) of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F64** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 added (1.4.2015) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2014 (S.S.I. 2014/354), arts. 1, 2(a), sch.

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### **Textual Amendments**

F65 Sch. 1 Pt. 7: para. relating to the Historic Buildings Council for Scotland repealed (31.5.2003) by Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (asp. 4), ss. 17, 21(2), Sch. 4 para. 17(b)(ii); S.S.I. 2003/219, art. 2(1)(c)

[F6468ZA The James Hutton Institute.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F64** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 added (1.4.2015) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2014 (S.S.I. 2014/354), arts. 1, 2(a), **sch.** 

[F6668A The Judicial Appointments Board for Scotland]

# **Textual Amendments**

F66 Sch. 1 para. 68A inserted (1.6.2009) by Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008 (asp 6), ss. 9(4), 76,Sch. 1 para. 21, S.S.I. 2009/192, art. 2, Sch.

69 F67 ...

[F68] A Justice of the Peace Advisory Committee established under the Justices of the Peace (Scotland) Order 2007.]

### **Textual Amendments**

- **F67** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 removed (28.5.2013) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/126), arts. 1, 2(c)
- **F68** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 added (28.5.2013) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/126), arts. 1, 2(c)
- To Learning and Teaching Scotland.

<sup>F69</sup>71 .....

### **Textual Amendments**

**F69** Sch. 1 para. 71 repealed (14.5.2021) by Scottish Elections (Reform) Act 2020 (asp 12), s. 35, **sch. para. 5(b)**; S.S.I. 2021/124, reg. 2, sch.

71A [F64The Moredun Research Institute.]

### **Textual Amendments**

- **F64** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 added (1.4.2015) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2014 (S.S.I. 2014/354), arts. 1, 2(a), **sch.**
- 72 The Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland.

[F5672A Mobility and Access Committee for Scotland.]

# **Textual Amendments**

- **F56** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 inserted (28.5.2013) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/126), arts. 1, 2(a), **sch.**
- A National Park authority, established by virtue of schedule 1 to the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000 (asp 10).
- 74 The Parole Board for Scotland.
- A person appointed for Scotland under section 3(1) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c.42).

<sup>F70</sup>75ZA .....

# **Textual Amendments**

F70 Sch. 1 para. 75ZA omitted (1.7.2013) by virtue of The Public Services Reform (Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland etc.) Order 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/197), art. 1, sch. 2 para. 10(b)

<sup>F71</sup>75A .....

### **Textual Amendments**

**F71** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 removed (1.4.2015) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2014 (S.S.I. 2014/354), arts. 1, **2(b)** 

# [F7275AB The Police Investigations and Review Commissioner.]

# **Textual Amendments**

F72 Sch. 1 para. 75AB substituted for sch. 1 para. 75A (as inserted by paragraph 11(b) of schedule 6 to the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2006 asp 10) (1.4.2013) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), s. 129(2), sch. 7 para. 20(c); S.S.I. 2013/51, art. 2 (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2013/121)

# [F7375AC The Poverty and Inequality Commission]

### **Textual Amendments**

F73 Sch. 1 para. 75AC inserted (1.7.2019) by Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017 (asp 6), s. 16(2), sch. para. 13(2)

# [F7475B Quality Meat Scotland]

### **Textual Amendments**

F74 Sch. 1 para. 75B added (13.10.2008) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 2, Sch. 1

# [F7575BA Redress Scotland.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F75** Sch. 1 para. 75BA inserted (28.6.2021) by Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Act 2021 (asp 15), s. 109(2), sch. 1 para. 20; S.S.I. 2021/234, reg. 2, sch.

# [F7675C The Risk Management Authority]

### **Textual Amendments**

F76 Sch. 1 para. 75C added (13.10.2008) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 2, Sch. 1

# [F7776] .....

### **Textual Amendments**

F77 Sch. 1 para. 76 repealed (1.10.2015) by Historic Environment Scotland Act 2014 (asp 19), Sch. 6 para. 3(b) (with ss. 29, 30); S.S.I 2015/196, art. 2, Sch. (with transitional provisions and savings in S.S.I. 2015/239, arts. 2-19)

[F7876A A School Closure Review Panel constituted under section 17A(3) of the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010.]

### **Textual Amendments**

- F78 Sch. 1 para. 76A inserted (30.3.2015) by Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 (asp 8), ss. 81(11)(b), 102(3); S.S.I. 2015/104, art. 2
- 77 The Scottish Agricultural Wages Board.
- [F7977A The Scottish Animal Welfare Commission.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F79 Sch. 1 para. 77A inserted (26.6.2020) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2020 (S.S.I. 2020/146), arts. 1, 2

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### **Textual Amendments**

**F80** Sch. 1 para. 78 repealed (1.7.2010) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), s. 134(7), sch. 10 para. 3(b); S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(1)

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### **Textual Amendments**

F81 Sch. 1 para. 79 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2

[F8279A. The Scottish Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux, but only in respect of information relating to the [F83functions] exercisable by virtue of article 2 of the Public Bodies (The Office of Fair Trading Transfer of Consumer Advice Scheme Function and Modification of Enforcement Functions) Order 2013 S.I. 2013/783.][F84and articles 3(1)(a), (b) and (d) of the Public Bodies (Abolition of the National Consumer Council and the Transfer of the Office of Fair Trading's Functions in relation to Estate Agents etc) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/...)]

### **Textual Amendments**

- F82 Sch. 1 para. 79A inserted (28.3.2013) by The Public Bodies (The Office of Fair Trading Transfer of Consumer Advice Scheme Function and Modification of Enforcement Functions) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/783), arts. 1(2), 8
- F83 Word in sch. 1 para. 79A substituted (1.4.2014) by The Public Bodies (Abolition of the National Consumer Council and Transfer of the Office of Fair Trading's Functions in relation to Estate Agents etc) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/631), art. 1(3), Sch. 1 para. 17(2)(a) (with Sch. 1 para. 28, 2 paras. 13-15)
- **F84** Words in sch. 1 para. 79A inserted (1.4.2014) by The Public Bodies (Abolition of the National Consumer Council and Transfer of the Office of Fair Trading's Functions in relation to Estate Agents etc) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/631), art. 1(3), **Sch. 1 para. 17(2)(b)** (with Sch. 1 para. 28, 2 paras. 13-15)

# [F8579B The Scottish Biometrics Commissioner.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F85 Sch. 1 para. 79B inserted (1.12.2020) by Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Act 2020 (asp 8), s. 40(2), sch. 2 para. 2; S.S.I. 2020/250, reg. 2

The Scottish Children's Reporter Administration.

[F5680AA The Scottish Civil Justice Council.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F56** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 inserted (28.5.2013) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2013 (S.S.I. 2013/126), arts. 1, 2(a), sch.

[F8680B The Scottish Commission for Human Rights.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F86** Sch. 1 para. 80B inserted (1.4.2008) by Scottish Commission for Human Rights Act 2006 (asp 16), ss. 1(2), 22(3), Sch. 1 para. 17 (with s. 22(2)); S.S.I. 2008/112, art. 2

[F8780C The Scottish Commission on Social Security.]

# **Textual Amendments**

F87 Sch. 1 para. 80C inserted (21.1.2019) by Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (asp 9), s. 99(2), sch. 1 para. 19; S.S.I. 2018/393, reg. 2 (with reg. 3)

# **Textual Amendments**

F88 Sch. 1 para. 81 repealed (1.4.2011) by The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2011 (S.S.I. 2011/211), art. 1, sch. 1 para. 11(a)(ii)

### **Textual Amendments**

F89 Sch. 1 Pt. 7: para. relating to the Scottish Conveyancing and Executry Services Board repealed (15.8.2003) by Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (asp. 4), ss. 17, 21(2), Sch. 4 para. 17(b)(iii); S.S.I. 2003/384, art. 2(d)

- The Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission.
- 84 Scottish Enterprise.
- The Scottish Environment Protection Agency.

[F9085ZA The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F90** Sch. 1 para. 85ZA inserted (1.10.2012) by Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 (asp 8), s. 129(2), **sch. 7 para. 63(b)**; S.S.I. 2012/253, art. 2, sch.

# [F9185ZAA The Scottish Food Commission]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F91** Sch. 1 para. 85ZAA inserted (15.2.2024) by Good Food Nation (Scotland) Act 2022 (asp 5), s. 28(2), **sch. para. 21(2)**; S.S.I. 2024/29, reg. 2(1)(2), sch. 1

[F9285ZB. The Scottish Fuel Poverty Advisory Panel.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F92 Sch. 1 para. 85ZB inserted (6.5.2020) by The Fuel Poverty (Targets, Definition and Strategy) (Scotland)
Act 2019 (Scottish Fuel Poverty Advisory Panel and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2020
(S.S.I. 2020/141), reg. 1(1), sch. para. 2

[F9385A The Scottish Further and Higher Education Funding Council.]

# **Textual Amendments**

**F93** Sch. 1 para. 85A inserted (3.10.2005) by Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 6), ss. 32, 36, Sch. 3 para. 12(b); S.S.I. 2005/419, art. 2(1)

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### **Textual Amendments**

**F94** Sch. 1 para. 85B repealed (20.11.2014) by Housing (Scotland) Act 2014 (asp 14), s. 104(3), sch. 2 para. 13(3); S.S.I. 2014/264, art. 2, sch.

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# **Textual Amendments**

F95 Sch. 1 para. 86 repealed (3.10.2005) by Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 6), ss. 32, 36, Sch. 3 para. 12(c); S.S.I. 2005/419, art. 2(1)

# **Textual Amendments**

**F96** Sch. 1 para. 87 repealed (3.10.2005) by Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 6), ss. 32, 36, Sch. 3 para. 12(c); S.S.I. 2005/419, art. 2(1)

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### **Textual Amendments**

F97 Sch. 1 para. 88 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2

<sup>F98</sup>89 .

### **Textual Amendments**

**F98** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 repealed (1.8.2010) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), ss. 5(4), 134(7); S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(2), sch.

90 The Scottish Information Commissioner.

[F9990A The Scottish Land Commission.]

# **Textual Amendments**

**F99** Sch. 1 para. 90A inserted (01.04.2017) by Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (asp 18) s. 21(2); S.S.I. 2016/250 reg. 002(01) (02) Sch. 01

- 91 The Scottish Law Commission.
- 92 The Scottish Legal Aid Board.

[F10092A The Scottish Legal Complaints Commission.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F100** Sch. 1 para. 92A inserted (1.10.2008) by Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 5), ss. 81, 82, Sch. 5 para. 5 (with s. 77); S.S.I. 2008/311, art. 2(i)

[F10192B] The Scottish Local Authorities Remuneration Committee]

### **Textual Amendments**

F101 Sch. 1 para. 92B added (13.10.2008) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 2, Sch. 1

[F10292C The Scottish National Investment Bank p.l.c.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F102** Sch. 1 para. 92C inserted (16.9.2020) by Scottish National Investment Bank Act 2020 (asp 3), s. 35(2), sch. para. 2; S.S.I. 2020/272, reg. 2

93	Scottish Natural Heritage.
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### **Textual Amendments**

**F103** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 removed (1.4.2015) by The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2014 (S.S.I. 2014/354), arts. 1, **2(c)** 

95 The Scottish Public Services Ombudsman.

96 The Scottish Qualifications Authority.

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### **Textual Amendments**

**F104** Words in sch. 1 Pt. 7 repealed (1.8.2010) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), ss. 4(5)(b), 134(7); S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(2), sch.

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### **Textual Amendments**

**F105** Sch. 1 para. 98 repealed (1.7.2010) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), s. 134(7), sch. 10 para. 3(b); S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(1)

[F10698A The Scottish Sentencing Council.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F106** Sch. 1 para. 98A inserted (19.10.2015) by Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 13), s. 206(1), sch. 1 para. 14; S.S.I. 2015/336, art. 2(b)

99 The Scottish Social Services Council.

The Scottish Sports Council.

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### **Textual Amendments**

F107 Sch. 1 para. 101 repealed (1.4.2007) by Tourist Boards (Scotland) Act 2006 (asp 15), ss. 4, 5(1), Sch. 2 para. 8(a)(ii); S.S.I. 2006/47, art. 2

102 Scottish Water.

[F108] 102A. Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland.]

# **Textual Amendments**

F108 Sch. 1 para. 102A inserted (1.4.2011) by The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2011 (S.S.I. 2011/211), art. 1, sch. 1 para. 11(b)

[F109] 102B South of Scotland Enterprise.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F109** Sch. 1 para. 102B inserted (16.10.2019) by South of Scotland Enterprise Act 2019 (asp 9), s. 24(2), sch. 2 para. 3; S.S.I. 2019/308, reg. 2

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### **Textual Amendments**

F110 Sch. 1 para. 103 removed (13.10.2008) by virtue of The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Scottish Public Authorities) Amendment Order 2008 (S.S.I. 2008/297), art. 3, Sch. 2

The Standards Commission for Scotland.

105 [FIII The National Library of Scotland].

# **Textual Amendments**

**F111** Words in sch. 1 para. 105 substituted (1.2.2013) by National Library of Scotland Act 2012 (asp 3), s. 12(3), sch. 2 para. 6; S.S.I. 2013/1, art. 2

# [F112 105A VisitScotland.]

# **Textual Amendments**

**F112** Sch. 1 para. 105A inserted (1.4.2007) by Tourist Boards (Scotland) Act 2006 (asp 15), ss. 4, 5(1), **Sch. 2 para. 8(b)**; S.S.I. 2007/47, **art. 2** 

The Water Industry [F113 Commission] for Scotland.

# **Textual Amendments**

**F113** Word in Sch. 1 para. 106 substituted (1.7.2005) by Water Services etc. (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 3), ss. 32, 37(2), Sch. 5 para. 9(b) (with s. 36); S.S.I. 2005/351, art. 2, Sch. 2 (with art. 3)

### SCHEDULE 2

(introduced by section 42(12))

### THE SCOTTISH INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

### Status

- 1 (1) F114The Commissioner and that officer's staff are not to be regarded as servants or agents of the Crown or as having any status, immunity or privilege of the Crown; and the Commissioner's property is not to be regarded as property of, or property held on behalf of, the Crown.
  - [F115(2) The Commissioner is, as such, to be regarded as a juristic person distinct from the natural person holding the office.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F114 Sch. 2 para. 1(1): sch. 2 para.1 renumbered as sch. 1 para. 1(1) (1.4.2011) by Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010 (asp 11), s. 31(5), sch. 4 para. 9 (with s. 31(6), sch. 7)

F115 Sch. 2 para. 1(2) inserted (1.4.2011) by Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010 (asp 11), s. 31(5), sch. 4 para. 9 (with s. 31(6), sch. 7)

# Pensions, allowances, etc.

- 2 (1) The Parliamentary corporation may make arrangements for the payment of pensions, allowances or gratuities to, or in respect of, any person who has ceased to hold the office of Commissioner and (without prejudice to that generality) may—
  - (a) make contributions or payments towards provision for such pensions, allowances or gratuities; and
  - (b) for the purposes of this sub-paragraph, establish and administer one or more pension schemes.
  - (2) The references in sub-paragraph (1) to pensions, allowances and gratuities include references to, as the case may be, pensions, allowances or gratuities by way of compensation for loss of office.

# Staff

- 3 (1) The Commissioner may appoint such staff, on such terms and conditions, as that officer may determine.
  - (2) The Commissioner may make arrangements for the payment of pensions, allowances or gratuities to, or in respect of, any person who has ceased to be a member of such staff and (without prejudice to that generality) may—
    - (a) make contributions or payments towards provision for such pensions, allowances or gratuities; and
    - (b) for the purposes of this sub-paragraph, establish and administer one or more pension schemes.
  - (3) The references in sub-paragraph (2) to pensions, allowances and gratuities include references to, as the case may be, pensions, allowances or gratuities by way of compensation for loss of employment.
  - [F116(4) The exercise of a power in sub-paragraph (1) or (2) is subject to the approval of the Parliamentary corporation.]

### **Textual Amendments**

F116 Sch. 2 para. 3(4) substituted (1.4.2011) by Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010 (asp 11), s. 31(5), sch. 4 para. 10 (with s. 31(6), sch. 7)

# Accountable officer

- 4 (1) The Parliamentary corporation is to designate the Commissioner or a member of that officer's staff as the accountable officer for the purposes of this paragraph.
  - (2) The functions of the accountable officer are—

- (a) those specified in sub-paragraph (3); and
- (b) where the accountable officer is not the Commissioner, the duty set out in sub-paragraph (4),

and the accountable officer is answerable to the Parliament for the exercise of those functions.

- (3) The functions referred to in sub-paragraph (2)(a) are—
  - (a) signing the accounts of the expenditure and receipts of the Commissioner;
  - (b) ensuring the propriety and regularity of the finances of the Commissioner; and
  - (c) ensuring that the resources of the Commissioner are used economically, efficiently and effectively.
- (4) The duty referred to in sub-paragraph (2)(b) is a duty, where the accountable officer is required to act in some way but considers that to do so would be inconsistent with the proper performance of the functions specified in sub-paragraph (3), to—
  - (a) obtain written authority from the Commissioner before taking the action; and
  - (b) send a copy of that authority as soon as possible to the Auditor General.

# **I**<sup>F117</sup>Budget

### **Textual Amendments**

F117 Sch. 2 para. 4A inserted (1.4.2011) by Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010 (asp 11), s. 31(5), sch. 4 para. 11 (with s. 31(6), sch. 7)

- 4A (1) The Commissioner must, before the start of each financial year, prepare proposals for the Commissioner's use of resources and expenditure during the year (a "budget") and, by such date as the Parliamentary corporation determines, send the budget to the Parliamentary corporation for approval.
  - (2) The Commissioner may, in the course of a financial year, prepare a revised budget for the remainder of the year and send it to the Parliamentary corporation for approval.
  - (3) In preparing a budget or revised budget, the Commissioner must ensure that the resources of the Commissioner will be used economically, efficiently and effectively.
  - (4) A budget or revised budget must contain a statement that the Commissioner has complied with the duty under sub-paragraph (3).]

### Accounts

- 5 (1) The Commissioner must—
  - (a) keep accounts; and
  - (b) prepare annual accounts in respect of each financial year,

in accordance with such directions as the Scottish Ministers may give that officer.

- (2) The Commissioner must send a copy of the annual accounts to the Auditor General for Scotland for auditing.
- (3) The financial year of the Commissioner is—

- (a) the period beginning with the date on which the Commissioner is appointed and ending with 31st March next following that date; and
- (b) each successive period of twelve months ending with 31st March.
- (4) If requested by any person, the Commissioner must make available at any reasonable time, without charge, in printed or in electronic form, the audited accounts, so that they may be inspected by that person.

# General powers

- 6 (1) F118 The Commissioner may do anything which appears necessary or expedient for the purpose of, or in connection with, or which appears conducive to, the exercise of that officer's functions; and without prejudice to that generality, may in particular—
  - (a) acquire and dispose of land and other property; and
  - (b) enter into contracts.
  - [F119(2)] The exercise of the power to acquire or dispose of land is subject to the approval of the Parliamentary corporation.]

### **Textual Amendments**

**F118** Sch. 2 para. 6(1): sch. 2 para. 6 renumbered as sch. 2 para. 6(1) (1.4.2011) by Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010 (asp 11), s. 31(5), sch. 4 para. 12 (with s. 31(6), sch. 7)

F119 Sch. 2 para. 6(2) inserted (1.4.2011) by Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010 (asp 11), s. 31(5), sch. 4 para. 12 (with s. 31(6), sch. 7)

# I<sup>F120</sup>Location of office

### **Textual Amendments**

F120 Sch. 2 paras. 7, 8 inserted (1.4.2011) by Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010 (asp 11), s. 31(5), sch. 4 para. 13 (with s. 31(6), sch. 7)

The Commissioner must comply with any direction given by the Parliamentary corporation as to the location of the Commissioner's office.

Sharing of premises, staff, services and other resources

The Commissioner must comply with any direction given by the Parliamentary corporation as to the sharing of premises, staff, services or other resources with any other officeholder or any public body.

**I**<sup>F121</sup>Restrictions on subsequent appointments etc.

### **Textual Amendments**

F121 Sch. 2 para. 9 inserted (1.4.2011) by Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010 (asp 11), s. 31(5), sch. 4 para. 14 (with s. 31(6), sch. 7)

- 9 (1) A person who has ceased being the Commissioner may not, without the approval of the Parliamentary corporation—
  - (a) be employed or appointed in any other capacity by the Commissioner,
  - (b) be a Scottish public authority or hold office in, or be an employee or appointee of, a Scottish public authority, or
  - (c) hold any other office, employment or appointment or engage in any other occupation, being an office, employment, appointment or occupation which, by virtue of section 42(3B)(a), that person could not have held or, as the case may be, engaged in when Commissioner.
  - (2) The restriction in sub-paragraph (1)—
    - (a) starts when the person ceases to be the Commissioner, and
    - (b) ends on the expiry of the financial year next following the one in which it started.]

# SCHEDULE 3

(introduced by section 54)

### POWERS OF ENTRY AND INSPECTION

### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C1 Sch. 3 applied (with modifications) (1.1.2005) by The Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (S.S.I. 2004/520), reg 17(1)(2) (with reg. 3)

# Grant of warrants

- (1) If a sheriff is satisfied by evidence on oath supplied by the Commissioner that there are reasonable grounds for suspecting—
  - (a) that a Scottish public authority has failed or is failing to comply with—
    - (i) any of the requirements of Part 1 of this Act;
    - (ii) so much of a notice given to it by the Commissioner under subsection (5) of section 49 as, by virtue of subsection (6)(b) of that section, requires steps to be taken; or
    - (iii) an information notice or an enforcement notice; or
  - (b) that an offence under section 65(1) has been or is being committed, and that evidence of such a failure to comply or of the commission of the offence is to be found on any premises specified as part of that evidence, the sheriff, subject to paragraph 2, may grant to the Commissioner such warrant as is mentioned in subparagraph (2).
  - (2) The warrant is one which authorises the Commissioner, or any member of the Commissioner's staff, at any time within seven days after the date of the warrant—
    - (a) to enter and search the premises;
    - (b) to inspect and seize any documents or other material found there which may constitute the evidence in question; and
    - (c) to inspect, examine, operate and test any equipment found there in which information held by the authority may be recorded.

- 2 (1) A sheriff must not grant the warrant unless satisfied—
  - (a) that the Commissioner has given seven days' notice in writing to the occupier of the premises demanding access to them; and
  - (b) that either—
    - (i) access was demanded at a reasonable hour and was unreasonably refused; or
    - (ii) although entry to the premises was granted, the occupier unreasonably refused to comply with a request by the Commissioner, or any member of the Commissioner's staff, to permit the Commissioner or any such member of staff to do any of the things referred to in paragraph 1(2); and
  - (c) that the occupier has, after the refusal, been notified by the Commissioner of the application for the warrant and has had an opportunity of being heard by the sheriff on the question of whether or not it should be granted.
  - (2) Sub-paragraph (1) does not apply if the sheriff is satisfied that the case is one of urgency or that compliance with the provisions of that sub-paragraph would defeat the object of the entry.

### Execution of warrants

- 3 A person executing the warrant may use such reasonable force as may be necessary.
- The warrant must be executed at a reasonable hour, unless it appears to the person executing it that there are grounds for suspecting that the evidence in question would not be found if it were so executed.
- (1) If the premises in respect of which the warrant is granted are occupied by a Scottish public authority and any officer or employee of the authority is present when the warrant is executed, that officer or employee must be shown the warrant and supplied with a copy of it; and if no such officer or employee is present a copy of the warrant must be left in a prominent place on the premises.
  - (2) If the premises in respect of which the warrant is granted are occupied by a person other than a Scottish public authority and that person is present when the warrant is executed, the person must be shown the warrant and supplied with a copy of it; and if the person is not present a copy of the warrant must be left in a prominent place on the premises.
- 6 (1) A person seizing anything in pursuance of the warrant must give a receipt for it if asked to do so.
  - (2) Anything so seized may be retained for so long as is necessary in all the circumstances; but the person in occupation of the premises must be given a copy of anything that is seized if that person so requests and the person executing the warrant considers that it can be done without undue delay.

# Matters exempt from inspection and seizure

- 7 The powers of inspection and seizure conferred by the warrant are not exercisable in respect of information which is exempt information by virtue of section 31(1).
- 8 (1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, the powers of inspection and seizure conferred by the warrant are not exercisable in respect of—

- (a) a communication between professional legal adviser and client in connection with the giving of legal advice to the client with respect to the client's obligations, liabilities or rights under this Act; or
- (b) a communication between professional legal adviser and client, or between such adviser or client and another person, made in connection with or in contemplation of proceedings under or arising out of this Act and for the purpose of such proceedings.
- (2) Sub-paragraph (1) applies also to—
  - (a) a copy or other record of such communication as is there mentioned; and
  - (b) a document or article enclosed with or referred to in such communication if made in connection with the giving of any advice or, as the case may be, in connection with or in contemplation of and for the purpose of such proceedings as are there mentioned.
- (3) This paragraph does not apply to anything in the possession of a person other than the professional legal adviser or client or to anything held with the intention of furthering a criminal purpose.
- (4) In this paragraph references to the client of a professional legal adviser include references to a person representing such a client.
- If the person in occupation of premises in respect of which the warrant is granted objects to the inspection or seizure under it of any material on the grounds that the material consists partly of matters in respect of which those powers are not exercisable, that person must, if requested, provide in response to the warrant a copy of so much of the material as is material in relation to which the powers are exercisable.

### Offences

- 10 (1) A person who—
  - (a) intentionally obstructs a person who is executing the warrant; or
  - (b) fails, without reasonable excuse, to give the person who is executing the warrant such assistance as that person may reasonably require for executing it,

is guilty of an offence.

(2) A person guilty of an offence under sub-paragraph (1) is liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

# Vessels, vehicles etc.

In this schedule, "premises" includes vessel, vehicle, aircraft or hovercraft, and references to the occupier of premises include references to the person in charge of a vessel, vehicle, aircraft or hovercraft.

### **SCHEDULE 4**

(introduced by section 71(2))

### CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS TO SCOTTISH PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN ACT 2002

- In section 19(8) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 (asp 11) (which restricts the purposes for which information obtained by the Ombudsman from the Information Commissioner may be disclosed)—
  - (a) the words from "the Information Commissioner" to "Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c.36)" become paragraph (a); and
  - (b) after that paragraph, there is inserted the word "or" and the following paragraph—
    - "(b) the Scottish Information Commissioner by virtue of section 63 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (asp 13),".
- In schedule 5 to that Act (which specifies persons or bodies to whom the Ombudsman in certain circumstances may disclose information in relation to certain matters), after the entry relating to the Information Commissioner, there is inserted—

"The Scottish Information	1. A matter in respect of which the
Commissioner	Commissioner could exercise any
	power conferred by—
	(a) section 44 (recommendations as
	to good practice) of the Freedom of
	Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (asp
	13); or
	(b) Part 4 (enforcement) of that Act
	2. The commission of an offence
	under section 65 (offence of altering
	etc. records with intent to prevent
	disclosure) of that Act".

# **Changes to legislation:**

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 09 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. View outstanding changes

# Changes and effects yet to be applied to:

- sch. 1 para. 62A inserted by 2003 asp 4 sch. 4 para. 17(c)(i)
- Sch. 1 para. 80A inserted by 2007 asp 3 Sch. 5 para. 28 (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 5 para. 28 repealed (31.1.2011) by 2010 asp 8, sch. 4 Pt. 2; S.S.I. 2011/30, art. 3(1), Sch. 1)
- sch. 1 Pt. 4 para. 30 repealed by 2004 asp 7 sch. 2
- sch. 1 Pt. 4 para. 31 repealed by 2004 asp 7 sch. 2
- sch. 1 Pt. 7 words inserted by 2009 asp 12 sch. 2 para. 5

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters: Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

sch. 1 para. 74A inserted by 2023 asp 6 sch. 2 para. 2(2)