

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

This Order amends the definition of “relevant matter” in the Police Act 1997. The definition of “relevant matter” sets out what information is disclosed by Access NI in response to an application for a criminal record certificate or an enhanced criminal record certificate. The amendments introduced by the Order relate to the disclosure of convictions:

- (1) Convictions for:
 - (i) The commission of an offence under section 1 of the Domestic Abuse and Civil Proceedings Act (Northern Ireland) 2021 including where that offence was stated by a court to be aggravated under sections 8 and / or 9 of that Act;
 - (ii) The commission of any other offence stated by a court to be aggravated under section 15 of the Domestic Abuse and Civil Proceedings Act (Northern Ireland) 2021; and
- (2) Cautions, restorative cautions, diversionary youth conferences or informed warnings in respect of:
 - (i) The commission of an offence under section 1 of the Domestic Abuse and Civil Proceedings Act (Northern Ireland) 2021.