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## **CHAPTER 24**

## JUSTICE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2011

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SCHEDULE 1 — POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY
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## Interpretation

1. (1) In this Schedule, in relation to a PCSP—"independent...

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## Composition

2. A PCSP shall consist of— (a) political members appointed under...

#### Political members

3. (1) There shall be 8, 9 or 10 political members,...

## Independent members

- 4. (1) The number of independent members shall be one less...
- 5. (1) Where appointments are to be made of independent members,...
- 6. (1) In exercising functions under paragraphs 4 and 5, a...

## Representatives of designated organisations

7. (1) A PCSP must designate at least 4 organisations for...

## Removal of members

8. (1) The Policing Board, or the council with the approval...

## Disqualification

9. (1) A person is disqualified for being a political or...

#### Chair and vice-chair

10. (1) For each PCSP there shall be—

## Procedure of PCSP

11. (1) The quorum for a meeting of a PCSP shall...

## Policing committee: constitution

12. (1) For each PCSP there shall be a policing committee...

## Policing committee: procedure

13. (1) The quorum for a meeting of a policing committee...

## Other committees

14. (1) A PCSP may—(a) constitute other committees of such...

#### **Indemnities**

15. The council may indemnify a member of a PCSP in...

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## Insurance against accidents

16. (1) The council may insure against risks of a member...

#### Expenses

17. The council may pay to members of a PCSP such...

#### *Finance*

18. (1) The Department and the Policing Board shall for each...

## Validity of proceedings

19. The validity of any proceedings of a PCSP or a...

Disclosure of pecuniary interests, family connections, etc.

20. Sections 28 to 33, 42, 46, 47 and 146 of...

#### Joint PCSPs

21. (1) The Department may by order provide that two or...

## Belfast PCSP

22. (1) The preceding paragraphs of this Schedule have effect in...

## SCHEDULE 2 — DISTRICT POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIPS

## Interpretation

1. (1) In this Schedule, in relation to a DPCSP—"independent...

## Composition

2. (1) A DPCSP shall consist of—(a) 6 political members...

## Political members

3. (1) The council shall exercise its power to appoint political...

## Independent members

- 4. (1) Appointments of independent members shall be made by
- 5. (1) Where appointments are to be made of independent members...
- 6. (1) In exercising functions under paragraphs 4 and 5, the...

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## Policing committee: constitution

12. (1) For each DPCSP there shall be a policing committee...

## Policing committee: procedure

13. (1) The quorum for a meeting of a policing committee...

#### Other committees

14. (1) A DPCSP may constitute other committees of its members;...

#### Indemnities

15. The council may indemnify a member of a DPCSP in...

## Insurance against accidents

16. (1) The council may insure against risks of a member...

## Expenses

17. The council may pay to members of a DPCSP such...

#### Finance

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## Disclosure of pecuniary interests, family connections, etc.

20. Sections 28 to 33, 42, 46, 47 and 146 of...

#### SCHEDULE 3 — REGULATED MATCHES

1. In this Schedule— "the IFA" means the Irish Football Association;...

## Association football

- 2. This paragraph applies to an association football match in which
- 3. This paragraph applies to an association football match in which
- 4. This paragraph applies to an association football match in which...
- 5. This paragraph applies to an association football match—

## Gaelic games

- 6. This paragraph applies to a match in a gaelic game...
- 7. This paragraph applies to a match in a gaelic game...

## Rugby union

- 8. This paragraph applies to a rugby union match which—
- 9. This paragraph applies to a rugby union match—

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## Power to provide for enhanced fee

1. (1) Regulations under Article 22 or 36 of the Legal...

## Accreditation of solicitors

2. (1) The Law Society shall make regulations with respect to...

## Duties of solicitor

3. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where—(a) either—

## Regulations

4. (1) Regulations under this Schedule require the concurrence of

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## Consequential amendments

5. The Department may by order make such amendments to—

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6. In this Schedule— "accredited solicitor", in relation to any court...

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1. A provision in Chapter 1 of Part 1 does not...

#### Vulnerable and intimidated witnesses

2. (1) The amendments made by sections 7 to 11 apply...

## Banning orders

3. A banning order may not be made under section 41...

## *Increase in penalties*

4. (1) Section 51(2) does not apply in relation to an...

## Conditions of sex offender licence

5. Section 54 applies in relation to offenders released on licence...

## Serious and specified offences

6. Section 57 does not apply in relation to an offence...

## Alternatives to prosecution

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#### Witness summonses

8. Section 100 applies in relation to any criminal proceedings before...

## Accounts of the Law Commission

9. Section 102 applies in relation to accounts for the financial...

## SCHEDULE 7 — MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

The Vagrancy Act 1824 (c. 83)

1. In section 4(i) of the Vagrancy Act 1824 for "arrestable...

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The Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978 (c. 23)

2. In section 82(1) (rules as to funds in court)—

The Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (NI 26)

3. (1) In Article 29(1)(1) (right to claim trial by jury...

The Commissioner for Complaints (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (NI 7)

4. In Schedule 2 at the appropriate place in alphabetical order...

The Road Traffic Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (NI 10)

5. In Article 28(1)(a) (interim disqualification) for "Article 11 of the...

The Employment Rights (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (NI 16)

6. In Article 78(2) for sub-paragraph (f) substitute—

The Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (NI 8)

7. In Article 15(5) (consequences of admitting video recording) in sub-paragraph...

The Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000 (c. 32)

8. (1) In section 22(3) for "district policing partnership" substitute "...

The Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c. 36)

9. In Part 7 of Schedule 1 at the appropriate place...

The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 2002 (NI 3)

10. (1) In Article 9(1)—(a) omit sub-paragraph (a);

The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (c. 29)

11. In section 195N(1) (as inserted by section 57(2) of the...

The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (c. 42)

12. (1) In section 116(2)(b) (qualifying offenders for foreign travel orders)...

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The Anti-social Behaviour (Northern Ireland) Order 2004 (NI 12)

13. In Article 6C(3) (special measures for witnesses: modifications of Part...

The Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 2008 (NI 1)

14. In Schedule 3 (supervised activity orders) in paragraph 1(a) after...

The Sexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 2008 (NI 2)

15. (1) In Article 74(1)(a) (sexual penetration of a corpse) for...

SCHEDULE 8 — REPEALS

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