

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force provisions of the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015 ([S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I. 1\)](#)) which repeal or amend legislation relating to the social fund and the Office of the Social Fund Commissioner.

Article 2 brings into force on 28th November 2016 repeals and amendments relating to community care grants and crisis loans made out of the social fund.

Article 3 brings into force on 31st March 2017 repeals and amendments relating to the office of the Social Fund Commissioner;

Article 4 makes a saving provision in respect of the repeals commenced by Article 2, so that applications for community care grants and crisis loans made before 28th November 2016 can continue to be determined after that date.