EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Housing Benefit (Executive Determinations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008 and the Universal Credit Housing Costs (Executive Determinations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 to make changes to the manner in which the local housing allowance is determined.

Regulations 2 and 3 modify the aforementioned Regulations in order to provide that, for all broad rental market areas, the local housing allowance for a category of dwelling or accommodation is the allowance determined for that category of dwelling or accommodation on 31 March 2020. The modification will apply for the purposes of determining local housing allowances in 2021.