

## **POLICY NOTE**

### **THE HEALTH PROTECTION (CORONAVIRUS) (RESTRICTIONS) (SCOTLAND) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 2020**

**SSI 2020/106**

The above instrument was made in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 1(1) of schedule 19 of the Coronavirus Act 2020 (“the Act”). The instrument is subject to made affirmative procedure by virtue of paragraph 6(3) of schedule 19 of the Act.

This instrument makes minor amendments to correct typographical errors in the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 that make provision for the purpose of enabling a number of emergency public health measures to be taken to reduce the public health risks posed by the spread of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) in Scotland which causes the disease Covid-19.

#### **Policy Objectives**

1. The Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (“the original Regulations”) were made and came into force on 26 March 2020 and were laid in the Scottish Parliament on 27 March 2020.
2. These Regulations make minor amendments to regulations 4 and 7 of the original Regulations to fix cross referencing errors. They make no changes to the original policy intention of the Regulations. Given the importance of the original Regulations in the public health response to coronavirus and the need for clarity in relation to the original Regulations, we believe any potential for misunderstanding should be resolved as a matter of urgency in order to ensure transparency and clarity.

#### **Consultation**

3. As these Regulations make no policy changes there has been no public consultation in relation to this instrument.

#### **Impact Assessments**

4. As these Regulations make no policy changes there have been no impact assessments.

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