EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Rules)

These Rules amend the Court of Protection Rules 2007 (S.I. 2007/1744) so as to enable authorised court officers to exercise the court's jurisdiction in the circumstances specified in the relevant practice direction. Such officers however will not be able to deal with any application or proceedings by way of a hearing nor an application for the reconsideration of their own or another authorised court officer's decision. Authorised court officers will be required to refer any issue that arises to a judge for the judge's consideration.