STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 427

The Universal Credit (Tenant Incentive Scheme) Amendment Regulations 2017

Amendment of Schedule 4 to the Universal Credit Regulations 2013

- **2.**—(1) Part 5 (social rented sector other than temporary accommodation) of Schedule 4 to the Universal Credit Regulations 2013(1) is amended as follows.
- (2) For the italicised cross-heading above paragraph 31 (deduction from relevant payments of amounts relating to use of particular accommodation) substitute—
 - "Amount taken into account as the relevant payment".
 - (3) After paragraph 32 (power to apply to a rent officer if relevant payment excessive) insert—

"Reduction under tenant incentive scheme

- **32A.**—(1) Where a reduction in the rent or service charge payments for which a renter would otherwise have been liable is applied by a provider of social housing under an approved tenant incentive scheme, the amount of any relevant payment to be taken into account under paragraph 6 is to be determined as if no such reduction had been applied.
 - (2) In paragraph (1) "approved tenant incentive scheme" means a scheme which is—
 - (a) operated by a provider of social housing and designed to avoid rent arrears by allowing reductions in rent or service charges or other advantages in return for meeting specified conditions; and
 - (b) approved by the Secretary of State.".