THE COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION (SCOTLAND) AMENDMENT (No. 3) REGULATIONS 2013

SSI 2013/239

1. The above instrument is made in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 80 and 113 of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 to, the Local Government Finance Act 1992. It is subject to the negative procedure.

Policy Objective

2. These Regulations are being made to correct a defect in SSI/2013/218, where the words "State Pension Credit" were omitted in error from the title of The Council Tax Reduction (State Pension Credit) (Scotland) Regulations 2012 where these are referenced in Regulation 9.

Consultation

3. As these Regulations make a minor amendment to earlier amendment Regulations, no consultation has been undertaken.

Financial Effects

4. These Regulations will have no financial impact, and no impact on individuals and households.

Impact Assessments

5. The overall Council Tax Reduction policy will have a potential equalities impact and therefore an Equalities Impact Assessment (EQIA) has been undertaken. A summary of the results of the EQIA has been made available on the Scottish Government's website. Equalities impacts are being continually reviewed and evaluated during implementation this year.

6. As the policy has no direct impact on business or the third sector, or on the environment or environmental issues, neither a Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment (BRIA) or a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is required.

7. Implementation of the policy will involve the use and storage of personal data, such as date of birth and postcode of Council Tax Reduction recipients. This data will be supplied to the Scottish Government by Local Authorities. In order to ensure the risks involved in transferring, processing and storing this data are assessed, and kept to a minimum, a Privacy Impact Assessment has been carried out, including a Risk Identity checklist.

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