These notes relate to the Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009 (asp 3) which received Royal Assent on 1 April 2009

DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2009

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 2: Limitation of local authorities' powers in relation to advisory parking places for disabled persons' vehicles

- 10. At present local authorities, instead of using their powers under the 1984 Act to designate parking places for disabled persons' vehicles which are enforceable, will make an advisory street or off-street disabled parking place. Such places are not enforceable and any driver can park in them without sanctions at law being possible.
- 11. Section 2(a) prevents local authorities in future designating advisory disabled street parking places unless the designation is made in accordance with section 9 of the Act.
- 12. Section 2(b) similarly prevents local authorities from designating in future advisory disabled off-street parking places.
- 13. An "advisory disabled street parking place" is defined in section 14 as one which is marked or sign-posted for use only by a disabled persons' vehicle and that is not subject to an order made under section 45 of the 1984 Act (see section 3 below). A "street parking place" is also defined in that section as a parking place that is on land that forms part of a road.
- 14. An "advisory disabled off-street parking place" is defined in section 14 as one to which the public have access, is marked or sign-posted for use only by a disabled persons' vehicle and is not subject to an order made under section 35 of the 1984 Act (see section 3 below). An "off-street parking place" is defined in that section as a parking place that is on land that does not form part of a road.
- 15. "Road" is given the same meaning as in the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 (c.54) section 151¹. (see section 14).

¹ Any way over which there is a public right of passage