

## Housing (Scotland) Act 2010

## **PART 14**

## RIGHT TO BUY: REFORMS

## 142 Pressured areas: amendments

- (1) Section 61B of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 (c.26) is amended as follows—
  - (a) in subsection (1), for the words from the beginning to "authority's" substitute "A local authority may designate any part of their",
  - (b) after subsection (1) insert—
    - "(1A) A designation under subsection (1) may be made—
      - (a) generally in relation to all houses in the area designated which tenants have the right to purchase under section 61(1), or
      - (b) in relation to particular types of such houses only.
    - (1B) Where a designation relates only to a particular type of house in the area designated as a pressured area, the references in subsections (3), (4) and (7) to a house are to be read in connection with that designation as referring only to a house of that type.
    - (1C) A designation under subsection (1) has effect for such period, not exceeding 10 years, as the local authority may specify.",
  - (c) subsection (2) is repealed,
  - (d) in subsection (5), after paragraph (a) insert—
    - "(aa) where the designation relates only to a particular type of house in the area designated as a pressured area, specify the type in question,",
  - (e) in subsection (8), for the words from "Scottish" to "revocation" substitute "local authority at any time",
  - (f) in subsection (9), for "proposal" substitute "designation",
  - (g) in subsection (10), after second "area" insert "in relation to any type of house to which the designation relates".
- (2) Section 61C of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 (c.26) is amended as follows—

- (a) subsections (1) and (2) are repealed,
- (b) in subsection (3)—
  - (i) for "a proposal" substitute ", amending or revoking a designation",
  - (ii) for "shall consult" substitute "shall—
    - (a) take such steps as are reasonable to publicise its proposal to make, amend or revoke the designation and its reasons for so proposing, and
    - (b) consult—", and
  - (iii) old paragraphs (a) and (b) become sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) of the new paragraph (b),
- (c) after subsection (3) insert—
  - "(4) A local authority proposing to make, amend or revoke a designation under section 61B(1) must, before doing so, have regard to any guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers about—
    - (a) how and when they should do so,
    - (b) the information which they should take into account before doing so, and
    - (c) the terms of such designations.".