These notes relate to the Housing (Scotland) Act 2014 (asp 14) which received Royal Assent on 1 August 2014

HOUSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE STRUCTURE AND A SUMMARY OF THE ACT

Part Five – Mobile Home Sites With Permanent Residents

Offences relating to relevant permanent sites

- 151. Section 74 inserts new sections 32R, 32Q and 32T into the 1960 Act. New section 32R makes it an offence for someone to knowingly or recklessly provide information that is materially false or misleading to a local authority, in respect of an application for, or transfer of, a site licence or where information is provided following a change of circumstances. It also makes it an offence for a person, without reasonable excuse, to fail to notify a local authority of a change of circumstances under section 32K (for example, the appointment of a new person to manage a site). Section 32R also makes it an offence to fail to provide to a local authority such information as it might reasonably require under section 32K(3) and (4). If a person commits these offences, the penalty is a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale (in 2014 this is a maximum of $\pounds1,000$).
- 152. Section 32S makes it an offence for someone to cause or permit land to be used as a relevant permanent site without a licence. The maximum fine, if convicted for doing so, is $\pm 50,000$. New section 32T makes it an offence for the site owner of a relevant permanent site to fail to comply with any licence conditions. The maximum fine, if convicted of breaching a licence condition, is $\pm 10,000$.