

## Scottish Elections (Reduction of Voting Age) Act 2015

Awareness and assistance

## 17 Local authority duty to promote awareness and provide assistance

- (1) Each local authority must—
  - (a) promote awareness among relevant young people of the arrangements for registration as local government electors that apply to the young people, and
  - (b) take such action as the authority considers necessary to help such young people register as local government electors.
- (2) In subsection (1), "relevant young people", in relation to a local authority, means—
  - (a) children who are looked after by the authority, within the meaning of section 17(6) of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 (duty of local authorities in relation to looked after children),
  - (b) persons to whom the authority is providing continuing care under section 26A of that Act (provision of continuing care: looked after children), and
  - (c) persons to whom the authority is providing advice, guidance or assistance under section 29(1) or (5A) of that Act (after-care).

## **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Scottish Elections (Reduction of Voting Age) Act 2015, Section 17.