## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision in relation to how a participation request is to be made under Part 3 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 ("the Act"). Regulation 3 sets out that an asset transfer request must be made in writing and in the form set out in the schedule and completed in accordance with the notes to the schedule. Regulation 4 provides for the acknowledgement of a participation request by the public service authority and the information to be included in such acknowledgement. Regulation 5 provides how the date on which the participation request is to be taken to have been made is established. Regulation 6 sets out the process to be followed where a participation request includes a request that another public service authority participates in the outcome improvement process. Regulation 7 sets out the period within which a public service authority is, unless otherwise agreed, to give notice of it decision on a participation request to the community participation body. Regulation 8 requires the public service authority to publish a copy of the decision notice and sets out how this is to be done. Regulations 9 and 10 specify the information to be published by the public service authority under section 26(6) and 29(3) of the Act respectively. Regulation 12 makes provision for the use of electronic communication and regulation 11 defines the term "contact address". Regulation 13 requires a public service authority to promote the use of public participation requests and sets out how this is to be done.