# **VEHICLES (CRIME) ACT 2001**

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

# **Part 4: Supplementary**

# Sections 39, 40, 41, 42, and 43: General

- 55. Section 39 if an offence under this Act, committed by a body corporate, is proved to have been committed with the consent of, or is attributed to, a director, manager, secretary or other relevant officer, this person may be prosecuted, as well as the body corporate.
- 56. Section 40 relates to the service of documents required or authorised by the Act, and enables documents to be served by electronic means where appropriate. Section 41 states that any order making powers or regulations as a result of this Act will be exercisable by statutory instrument. All statutory instruments made under the Act apart from commencement orders are to be subject to the negative resolution procedure.
- 57. Section 42 ensures that sums received by a Minister of the Crown in consequence of the Act are paid into the Consolidated Fund. Section 43 refers to the Schedule to the Act which lists the consequential amendments to other Acts as a result of this Act.

#### Sections 44, 45, and 46: Final

- 58. The substantive provisions of this Act will come into effect when it is decided appropriate by the Secretary of State who will issue a commencement order. Different dates might be considered appropriate for different parts of the Act or in respect of different geographical areas.
- 59. Parts 1 and 2 and sections 35, 37 and 38 extend to England and Wales only. Section 36 extends to England and Wales and Scotland. Sections 32 to 34 inclusive extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.