



# Consumers, Estate Agents and Redress Act 2007

## 2007 CHAPTER 17

### PART 1

#### THE NATIONAL CONSUMER COUNCIL

##### *The National Consumer Council and territorial committees*

#### **1 Establishment of the National Consumer Council and its territorial committees**

- (1) There is to be a body corporate called the National Consumer Council or, in Welsh, Cyngor Defnyddwyr Cenedlaethol (“the Council”).
- (2) The Council must establish and maintain—
  - (a) a committee for Scotland to be known as the Scottish Consumer Council;
  - (b) a committee for Wales to be known as the Welsh Consumer Council or, in Welsh, Cyngor Defnyddwyr Cymru;
  - (c) a committee for Northern Ireland to be known as the Northern Ireland Postal Services Committee.
- (3) In this Part references to a “territorial committee” are to a committee established under subsection (2).
- (4) Schedule 1 is about the Council and its territorial committees.

#### **2 The territorial committees**

- (1) The territorial committees may exercise, on behalf of the Council, the following functions—
  - (a) in the case of the Scottish Consumer Council, the Council’s functions under sections 8 to 17, 19 and 21 to 26, so far as they are exercisable in relation to Scotland;

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- (b) in the case of the Welsh Consumer Council, the Council's functions under those sections, so far as they are exercisable in relation to Wales;
  - (c) in the case of the Northern Ireland Postal Services Committee—
    - (i) the Council's functions under sections 8 to 12, 15 to 17, 19, 21 and 23 to 26 so far as they are exercisable in relation to Northern Ireland, and
    - (ii) the Council's functions under section 22 so far as they are exercisable in relation to consumer matters which relate to relevant postal services in relation to Northern Ireland.
- (2) For the purpose of facilitating or improving co-ordination in relation to the carrying out of its functions, the Council may from time to time—
- (a) impose restrictions or conditions on the exercise by a territorial committee of a function by virtue of subsection (1);
  - (b) give a territorial committee general or specific directions relating to the exercise of a function by virtue of that subsection.
- (3) Nothing in subsection (1) prevents the Council from exercising any of its functions referred to in that subsection.
- (4) A territorial committee also has the following purposes—
- (a) the provision of advice and information to the Council about consumer matters affecting the area for which the committee is established,
  - (b) the provision of advice to the Council about the exercise of the Council's functions in so far as they affect that area, and
  - (c) such other purposes as the Council may determine (including the exercise of any functions delegated to the committee under paragraph 23 of Schedule 1).