WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 50

The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2016

Amendments to the Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Default Scheme) (Wales) Regulations 2013

- **25.** In Schedule 2 (applicable amounts: pensioners)
 - (a) in column (2) of the Table in paragraph 1 (personal allowances)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (1) for "£151.20" and "£166.05" substitute "£155.60" and "£170.45" respectively;
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (2) for "£230.85" and "£248.30" substitute "£237.55" and "£255.00" respectively;
 - (iii) in sub-paragraph (3) for "£230.85" and "£79.65" substitute "£237.55" and "£81.95" respectively;
 - (iv) in sub-paragraph (4) for "£248.30" and "£82.25" substitute "£255.50" and "£84.55" respectively;
 - (b) in paragraph 6 (severe disability premium)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph 3 for "is blind or is treated as blind" substitute "is blind or severely sight-impaired or is treated as such";
 - (ii) for sub-paragraph (4) substitute—
 - "(4) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (3), a person is blind or severely sight-impaired if that person—
 - (a) is registered as blind in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948 (welfare services);
 - (b) is registered as severely sight-impaired in a register established and maintained by a local authority under section 18(1) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014;
 - (c) is registered as severely sight-impaired in a register established and maintained by a local authority under section 77(1) of the Care Act 2014; or
 - (d) in Scotland, has been certified as blind and in consequence is registered in a register maintained by or on behalf of a council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994.";
 - (iii) in sub-paragraph (5) after "as blind", in both places where those words occur, insert "or severely sight-impaired";
 - (iv) in sub-paragraph (6)(b) for "is blind or is treated as blind" substitute "is blind or severely sight-impaired or is treated as such";
 - (c) in paragraph 8(b) (disabled child premium) for "is blind" substitute "is blind or severely sight-impaired", and for "as blind" substitute "as such".