

# 2016 CHAPTER 4

# PART 6

#### SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

### Interpretation

# 59. In this Act—

"action taken by a listed authority" has the meaning given in section 13,

"Assembly Commission" means the Northern Ireland Assembly Commission,

"complaints handling procedure" has the meaning given in section 34,

"the Crown" means the Crown in right of Her Majesty's Government in Northern Ireland, except-

- (a) in the expression "Minister of the Crown", and
- (b) in paragraphs 1 and 15 of Schedule 1,

"existing offices" has the meaning given in section 4,

"general health care provider" has the meaning given in section 16,

"health and social care body" means any of the following bodies-

- (a) health and social care trusts,
- (b) special health and social care agencies,
- (c) the Regional Health and Social Care Board,
- (d) the Regional Agency for Public Health and Social Well-being,
- (e) the Regional Business Services Organisation, and
- (f) the Health and Social Care Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority,

"independent provider of health and social care" has the meaning given in section 17,

"Minister" means-

(a) Minister of a Northern Ireland department, and

(b) junior Minister,

"model CHP" has the meaning given in section 37,

"Northern Ireland Minister" has the same meaning as in the Northern Ireland Act 1998,

"Ombudsman" means the Northern Ireland Public Services Ombudsman,

"person aggrieved" has the meaning given in section 5(1),

"statement of principles" has the meaning given in section 35,

"statutory provision" has the meaning given in section 1(f) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954, and

"tribunal" includes any authority, body or person having power to determine any matter.

#### Power to make further provision

**60.** The Assembly Commission may by order make such supplementary, incidental, consequential or transitional provision as it considers necessary or expedient for the purposes of, or in consequence of, or for giving full effect to, any provision made by or under this Act.

#### Orders

**61.**—(1) No order to which subsection (2) applies is to be made unless a draft of the order has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, the Assembly.

(2) This subsection applies to an order under section 12(2), 19(3), 22(2) or 60.

(3) Orders under paragraph 6(1) of Schedule 1 are subject to negative resolution.

(4) Orders mentioned in this section may contain such incidental, consequential, supplementary, transitional and savings provisions as appear to the authority making them to be necessary or expedient.

#### Amendments to Part 9 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014

**62.** Schedule7 (which makes amendments to Part 9 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014) (conduct of councillors) has effect.

#### Other minor and consequential amendments

**63.** Schedule8 (which makes other minor and consequential amendments) has effect.

#### Commencement

**64.**—(1) Except as provided below, the provisions of this Act come into operation on 1 April 2016.

(2) The following provisions come into operation on the day after this Act receives Royal Assent—

- (a) section 1 (including Schedule 1),
- (b) section 3,
- (c) section 34,
- (d) section 59,
- (e) section 60,
- (f) section 61,
- (g) this section,
- (h) section 66,
- (i) in Schedule 2, paragraphs 5, 11 and 13.

(3) The following provisions come into operation on 1 October 2016—

- (a) section 14(2)(d),
- (b) section 18,
- (c) in Schedule 3, the entries relating to—
  - (i) an institution of further education,
  - (ii) University of Ulster,
  - (iii) The Queen's University of Belfast,
- (d) in Schedule 9—
  - (i) in the entry relating to the Commissioner for Children and Young People (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, the repeal of paragraph 7 of Schedule 1 (institutions of further education),
  - (ii) in the entry relating to the Commissioner for Older People Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, the repeal of paragraph 4 of Schedule 3 (institutions of further education).
- (4) The following provision comes into operation on 1 April 2017—
  - (a) in Schedule 3, the entry relating to the board of governors of a grant-aided school,

- (b) in Schedule 9, in the entry relating to the Commissioner for Children and Young People (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, the repeal of paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 (the board of governors of grant-aided schools).
- (5) The following provisions come into operation on 1 April 2018—
  - (a) section 8,
  - (b) section 9,
  - (c) section 11(c),
  - (d) section 29,
  - (e) section 30(4),
  - (f) section 45,
  - (g) section 46(3).

(6) Part 3 (other than section 34) comes into operation on such day as the Assembly Commission may by order appoint.

### Repeals

**65.** The statutory provisions mentioned in Schedule9 are repealed to the extent specified in the second column of that Schedule.

# Short title

**66.** This Act may be cited as the Public ServicesOmbudsman Act (Northern Ireland) 2016.