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DRAFT SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No.**

**The Right to Buy Land to Further Sustainable Development (Eligible Land, Specified Types of Area and Restrictions on Transfers, Assignations and Dealing) (Scotland) Regulations 2020**

*Specified areas for defining a community*

**Specified types of area for defining a community**

**6.—(1)** For the purposes of section 49(9)(a) of the Act, the types of area by reference to which a community may be defined are—

- (a) an electoral ward,
- (b) the area of a community council,
- (c) a postcode area,
- (d) a postcode district,
- (e) a postcode sector,
- (f) an island,
- (g) a locality delineated on the maps included in the Population Estimates for Settlements and Localities in Scotland, Mid-2016 published on 12 March 2018<sup>(1)</sup>, or
- (h) a settlement delineated on the maps included in the Population Estimates for Settlements and Localities in Scotland, Mid-2016 published on 12 March 2018.

(2) In this regulation—

“electoral ward” means a ward within the meaning of section 1 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 2004<sup>(2)</sup>,

“area of a community council” means an area of a community council established in accordance with Part IV of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973<sup>(3)</sup>,

“postcode area” means a sub-area of a postcode unit that—

- (a) is given a unique alphabetic coding to facilitate the delivering of mail, and
- (b) is identified by one or two alphabetic characters at the start of a postcode (a postcode being the reference by which a postcode unit is identified),

“postcode district” means a sub-area of a postcode area and is identified by the characters within the first half of a full postcode, and

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(1) A National Statistics publication, available via the following weblink: <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/files//statistics/settlements-localities/set-loc-16/set-loc-2016-publication-updated.pdf>

(2) 2004 asp 9. Section 1 is amended by the Islands (Scotland) Act 2018 (asp 12), section 19.

(3) 1973 c.75. Section 51 is amended by the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c.39), schedule 14. Section 53 is amended by the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1981 (c.23), section 25 and schedules 2 and 4.

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“postcode sector” means a sub-area of a postcode district and is identified by the postcode district, the single space and the first character of the second half of the postcode unit,

“postcode unit” has the meaning given in section 49(11) of the Act.