

### **Policy directions relating to local authority rent schemes**

The Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, in accordance with section 4(1) of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009 (No. 22 of 2009), issues these policy directions to each housing authority.

1. For the purpose of these directions—

“dissolved authority” has the meaning assigned to it by section 3 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 (No. 1 of 2014);

“rent scheme” means a scheme of rents operated by a housing authority for the purposes of section 58 of the Housing Act 1966 (No. 21 of 1966) in respect of dwellings let by the authority.

2. (a) With effect from 1 July 2015, each housing authority shall operate a rent scheme that applies to its entire administrative area, including any part of that area formerly the administrative area of a dissolved authority.
- (b) For the purpose of subparagraph (a), the rent scheme referred to in that subparagraph may do either or both of the following
  - (i) provide that different provisions shall apply in different specified parts of the housing authority’s administrative area,
  - (ii) replicate, in whole or in part, some or all of the rent scheme or schemes operated by the housing authority in its administrative area immediately before 1 July 2015.