

## **Justice Committee**

### **Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 – Implementation**

#### **Letter from the Scottish Government to the Subordinate Legislation Committee**

I write with reference to the Committee's consideration of the Police Service of Scotland Regulations 2013 and the Police Service of Scotland (Special Constables) Regulations 2013 at its meeting on 26 February.

The Committee agreed to draw those Regulations to the Parliament's attention and has recommended that amendments are made to clarify some drafting points raised.

We are grateful to the Committee for raising these points, and note Members' comments that these should be addressed at the earliest possible opportunity.

As the Committee will be aware, we have laid a number of statutory instruments related to police and fire reform, also required for 1 April, which the Committee has yet to consider. Our intention is prepare amending regulations to be laid as soon as possible after the Committee completes its consideration of those instruments.

I am copying this letter to the Clerk to the Justice Committee for information.

I hope this is helpful to the Committee, however please let me know if you require any further information or clarification.

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