

## **20 LANDLORD REGISTRATION - ISSUE OF RENT PENALTY NOTICES (AN 174 - 2011)**

Under Part 8 of the Antisocial Behaviour, etc. (Scotland) Act 2004, it is a requirement for all persons leasing residential property in Scotland to be registered with the local authority and for those properties to be included on the register. It is a criminal offence to let the property without being so registered. In addition, the local authority has the power to issue a "Rent Penalty Notice" under Section 94 of the 2004 Act, the effect of which is to prevent the landlord collecting rent from any residential properties whilst s/he is unregistered.

The Committee is asked to approve the Director of Housing as the appropriate officer of the Council authorised to issue Rent Penalty Notices under Section 94 of the said 2004 Act on its behalf and to decide upon any applications under Section 95 of the 2004 Act for the revocation of such notices and for the Scheme of Delegation to be amended accordingly.