



**Transfer of Criminal Proceedings within the
Sheriffdom of South Strathclyde Dumfries and Galloway
Order by Sheriff Principal I R Abercrombie QC**

I, Sheriff Principal I R Abercrombie QC, Sheriff Principal of South Strathclyde Dumfries and Galloway, under the powers conferred on me by sections 83ZA and 137AA of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 make the following arrangements:

Solemn Proceedings

1. All proceedings due to call on indictment at Stranraer Sheriff Peace Court shall transfer to Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court.
2. All proceedings on indictment transferred to Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court as provided for above will be adjourned to a diet on the same date as initially assigned at the originating court or to such other diet as may be fixed by the court in terms of Section 75C or as the case may be Section 75A of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995.
3. All proceedings due to call on indictment at the following Courts, Ayr, Lanark and Airdrie Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts shall transfer to Hamilton Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court.
4. All proceedings on indictment transferred to Hamilton Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court as provided for above will be adjourned to a diet on the same date as initially assigned at the originating court or to such other diet as may be fixed by the court in terms of Section 75C or as the case may be Section 75A of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995.

Summary Proceedings

5. All proceedings due to call on summary complaint in Stranraer Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court shall transfer to Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court.

6. All proceedings on summary complaint transferred to Dumfries Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court as provided for above will be adjourned to a diet on the same date as initially assigned at the originating court or to such other diet as may be fixed by the court in terms of Section 137ZB of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995.

7. All proceedings due to call on summary complaint in the following Courts, namely, Ayr, Lanark and Airdrie Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Courts shall transfer to Hamilton Sheriff Court.

8. All proceedings on summary complaint transferred to Hamilton Sheriff and Justice of the Peace Court as provided for above will be adjourned to a diet on the same date as initially assigned at the originating court or to such other diet as may be fixed by the court in terms of Section 137ZB of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995

General

9. These arrangements will have immediate effect and apply to proceedings on indictment; on summary complaint and on petition which may be lodged whilst this order remains in effect.

10. This order will remain in effect until rescinded.

“I R Abercrombie QC”

Sheriff Principal of South Strathclyde Dumfries and Galloway at Hamilton, at 10.00 a.m. on 25th March 2020.