

## 2.4 Other warrant applications

There are occasions when applications are made by representatives from either social services or the mental health team.

A warrant can be issued to authorise entry to premises in order to remove a person believed to be suffering from mental disorder to a place of safety under section 135 of the Mental Health Act 1983.

A similar application can be made under the National Assistance (Amendment) Act 1951 in respect of persons who are incapable of looking after themselves.

\* Utility companies, or their representing companies, also attend the magistrates' court to apply for warrants of entry. On occasion the person residing in the property may attend court to challenge the warrant application; however the application can proceed in their absence.