STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 1654

The Local Government (Registration Service) Order 1973

Registration Service

- **4.**—(1) Each council shall not later than 1st January 1974 prepare and submit to the Secretary of State a scheme for the purposes of section 13 of the Act of 1953 for a county or district, and section 14(4) of the Act of 1953 (which relates to the approval of the Secretary of State) shall apply to any scheme so submitted.
- (2) If a council fails to submit a scheme in accordance with paragraph (1) of this article, the Registrar General may, after consultation with the council, prepare a scheme for the purpose of section 13 of the Act of 1953 and any scheme so prepared by him, if approved by the Secretary of State, shall have effect as if it were a scheme submitted by the council and approved by the Secretary of State.
- (3) Subject to any further scheme made by a council and approved by the Secretary of State under section 14 of the Act of 1953, and to the provisions of article 5(3) of this order, a scheme approved by the Secretary of State under paragraph (1) or (2) of this article for a country or district shall have effect for the organisation of the registration service in the country or district as from 1st April 1974.