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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1999 No. 3391**

**EDUCATION, ENGLAND**

**The Ashington Education Action Zone Order 1999**

*Made* - - - - *15th December 1999*  
*Laid before Parliament* *20th December 1999*  
*Coming into force* - - *10th January 2000*

Whereas an application for the purpose of establishing an education action zone has been made to the Secretary of State with the consent of the governing bodies of every school listed in Schedule 2 to this Order.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 10(1), 11 and 138(7) of, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to, the School Standards and Framework Act 1998<sup>(1)</sup>, the Secretary of State for Education and Employment hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Ashington Education Action Zone Order 1999 and shall come into force on 10th January 2000.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Order—  
“partners” means those persons listed in Schedule 1 to this Order; and  
“zone school” means a school listed in Schedule 2 to this Order.

**Constitution of education action zone**

3. The schools listed in Schedule 2 to this Order shall constitute collectively an education action zone under the name of the Ashington Education Achievement Zone (“the zone”) for the purposes of Chapter III of Part I of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.

**Education Action Forum**

4. There shall be an Education Action Forum for the zone to be known as the Ashington Education Achievement Forum (“the Forum”), the membership of which shall include—

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(1) 1998 c. 31.

- (a) one person appointed by the governing body of each zone school, unless any such governing body choose not to make such an appointment;
  - (b) either one or two persons appointed by the Secretary of State;
  - (c) one person appointed by each partner, unless any partner chooses not to make such an appointment; and
  - (d) two persons appointed by Northumberland County Council.
5. The Forum may at any time appoint additional members as follows—
- (a) up to three persons nominated by Northumberland County Council;
  - (b) one person nominated by The University of Newcastle upon Tyne;
  - (c) up to seven persons representing the interests of public services operating in the area served by the zone schools;
  - (d) up to nine persons representing the interests of business or the community in the area served by the zone schools;
  - (e) up to six persons representing governing bodies of zone schools; and
  - (f) up to four persons representing the interests of teachers working in zone schools.

**Disqualification for membership of the Forum**

6. Articles 7 to 9 shall have effect for the purpose of prescribing the circumstances and cases in which a person is to be disqualified for holding, or continuing to hold, office as a member of the Forum.

**Disqualification for membership of the Forum—bankruptcy etc.**

7.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this article, a person shall be disqualified for holding, or for continuing to hold, office as a member of the Forum if he has been adjudged bankrupt or has made a composition or arrangement with his creditors; and a member, on becoming so disqualified, shall give written notice of the fact to the secretary to the Forum.

(2) Where a person is disqualified by reason of his having been adjudged bankrupt, that disqualification shall cease—

- (a) unless the bankruptcy order made against that person is previously annulled, on his discharge from bankruptcy; and
- (b) if the bankruptcy order is so annulled, on the date of the annulment.

(3) Where a person is disqualified by reason of his having made a composition or arrangement with his creditors and he pays his debts in full, the disqualification shall cease on the date on which the payment is completed and in any other case it shall cease on the expiration of three years from the date on which the terms of the deed of composition or arrangement are fulfilled.

**Disqualification for membership of the Forum—criminal convictions**

8.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) a person shall be disqualified for holding, or for continuing to hold, office as a member of the Forum if—

- (a) within five years before his appointment would otherwise have taken effect or since his appointment, he has been convicted, whether in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, of any offence and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months without the option of a fine;

- (b) within twenty years before his appointment would otherwise have taken effect, he has been convicted as aforesaid and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment for a period of more than two and a half years; or
- (c) he has at any time been convicted as aforesaid and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment of not less than five years.

(2) For the purposes of this article there shall be disregarded any conviction by or before a court outside the United Kingdom of an offence in respect of conduct which, if it had taken place in any part of the United Kingdom, would not have constituted an offence under the law in force in that part of the United Kingdom.

#### **Disqualification—absence from meetings**

9. Any member of the Forum who, without the consent of the Forum, has failed to attend the meetings thereof for a continuous period of six months beginning with the date of a meeting shall, on the expiry of that period, be disqualified for continuing to be a member of the Forum without prejudice however, to his re-appointment.

#### **Chairman's tenure of office**

10. The chairman of the Forum elected in accordance with paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, shall hold office for one year from the date of his election (unless he resigns his office earlier), without prejudice to his eligibility to be re-elected for a further such period.

15th December 1999

*Estelle Morris*  
Minister of State,  
Department for Education and Employment

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## SCHEDULE 1

Article 2

## MEANING OF “PARTNERS”

The following persons are “partners” for the purposes of appointing members of the Forum:

Wansbeck District Council  
 Northumberland Training and Enterprise Council (NTEC) (Reg Company No. 3155230)  
 Northumberland Health Authority (Health Action Zone)  
 Northumbria Police Authority  
 the Board of the Wansbeck Initiative (SRB) (Town Hall, Ashington, Northumberland NE63 8RX)  
 University of Newcastle upon Tyne—(Department of Education)  
 Northumberland Guidance Company (Reg Company No. 02853728)  
 Liteon Ltd (Reg Company No. 2595966)  
 Bedlingtonshire Chamber of Trade (12 Glebe Road, Bedlington, Northumberland NE22 6JS)  
 Northumberland College  
 National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) (Charity No. 216401)  
 the Board of the Technical Academy (PO Box 62, North Seaton Industrial Estate, Ashington, NE63 0XZ)  
 Newcastle Falcons Rugby Union Club (Reg Company No. 3706046)  
 Yellow M Marketing Company (Reg Company No. 2835709)  
 Ashington Rotary Club  
 Iceland Limited PLC (Reg Company No. 209092)

## SCHEDULE 2

Articles 2 and 3

## SCHOOLS COMPRISING THE ZONE

<b>School</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>DfEE Number</b>
Ashington Alexandra First School	Moor House Lane, Ashington, Northumberland NE63 9LP	2028
Ashington Central First School	Milburn Road, Ashington Northumberland NE63 0AX	2531
Ashington Hawthorn First School	Norham Road, Ashington Northumberland NE63 0LF	2384
Ashington Wansbeck Community First School	Wanbeck Road, Ashington Northumberland NE63 8HZ	2291
Coulson Park First School	Alexandra Road, Ashington Northumberland NE63 9RL	2297
Ellington First School	Warkworth Drive, Ellington Morpeth, Northumberland NE61 5HL	2103

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<b>School</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>DfEE Number</b>
Linton First School	Linton, Morpeth Northumberland NE61 5SG	2105
Lynemouth First School	Lynemouth, Morpeth Northumberland NE61 5TR	2106
Newbiggin by the Sea Moorside First School	Woodhorn Road, Newbiggin by the Sea, Northumberland NE64 6HN	2192
Pegswood First School	Pegswood, Morpeth Northumberland NE61 6XQ	2212
St Aidan's Roman Catholic Voluntary Aided First School	Norham Road, Ashington Northumberland NE63 0LF	3726
Welbeck Community First School	Thorntree Gardens, Ashington Northumberland NE63 9TA	2385
Windsor First School	Gibson Street, Newbiggin by the Sea, Northumberland NE64 6UZ	2182
Ashington Alexandra Middle School	Second Avenue, Ashington Northumberland NE63 9HB	4225
Ashington Hirst Park Middle School	Third Avenue, Ashington Northumberland NE63 9BE	4290
Bothal Middle School	High Market, Ashington Northumberland NE63 8NT	4024
Newbiggin Middle School	Cleveland Avenue, Newbiggin by the Sea, Northumberland NE64 6RS	4224
Seaton Hirst Community Middle School	Norwich Close, Ashington Northumberland NE63 9SA	4165
St Benedict's Roman Catholic Voluntary Aided Middle School	Moor House Lane, Ashington Northumberland NE63 9LR	4620
Ashington Community High School	Green Lane, Ashington Northumberland NE63 8DH	4415
Hirst High School	Lichfield Close, Ashington Northumberland NE63 9RX	4433

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order establishes the Ashington Education Achievement Zone, which comprises the schools listed in Schedule 2. The Order also provides (in articles 4 and 5) for the membership of the Education Action Forum for the zone.