EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Churches Conservation Trust has as its object the preservation, in the interests of the nation and the Church of England, of churches and parts of churches of historic and archaeological interest or architectural quality, together with their contents, which are vested in the Trust by Part III of the Pastoral Measure 1983 (1983 No. 1). The Pastoral Measure 1983 was amended by the Pastoral (Amendment) Measure 1994 (1994 No. 1) which, amongst other things, changed the name of the Redundant Churches Fund to the Churches Conservation Trust. The Pastoral Measure 1968 (1968 No. 1) originally established the Redundant Churches Fund but it was repealed by the Pastoral Measure 1983, provisions of which provided for the continuation and operation of the Redundant Churches Fund.

This Order specifies the period 1st April 2011 to 31st March 2015 for the purposes of section 1 of the Redundant Churches and other Religious Buildings Act 1969, thus enabling the Secretary of State, with the approval of the Treasury, to make grants to the Churches Conservation Trust during that period of such amounts, payable at such times and subject to such conditions, if any, as he may from time to time determine. The Order specifies the sum of £11,192,000 as the aggregate amount of the grants that may be paid in that period. The previous Order made under section 1 of the 1969 Act is revoked.