

SCHEDULE

THE DURHAM FIRE SERVICES COMBINATION SCHEME

PART I

CITATION, COMMENCEMENT AND INTERPRETATION

Citation and commencement

1. This scheme may be cited as the Durham Fire Services Combination Scheme and shall come into force—

- (a) for the purposes of constituting an authority as the fire authority for the combined area constituted by the scheme, and the performance by that authority of any functions necessary for bringing the scheme into full operation on 1st April 1997, on the day on which the Durham Fire Services (Combination Scheme) Order 1996(1) comes into force, and
- (b) for all other purposes, on 1st April 1997.

Interpretation

2. In this scheme any reference to a paragraph or a Part is a reference to a paragraph or a Part of this scheme, and —

“the Authority” means the fire authority constituted for the combined area by virtue of paragraph 4;

“the combined area” means the fire authority area comprising the areas referred to in paragraph 3;

“the combined fire service fund” means the combined fire service fund established by virtue of paragraph 6;

“constituent authority” means a council referred to in paragraph 3; and

“the fire brigade” means, unless otherwise indicated, the fire brigade established for the combined area by virtue of paragraph 5.

(1) [S.I. 1996/2921](#).