## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order consolidates with minor amendments the Trial of the Pyx Order 1975 and five subsequent amendment orders. It contains provisions relating to the proceedings and conduct of the trial of the pyx. The trial is held annually to ascertain that coins issued from the Mint have been coined in accordance with statutory specifications. Apart from typographical amendments, the main changes are:

- (a) the former reference to a denomination of ten pence or less in respect of cupro-nickel coins has been changed, in article 3(1)(e)(i), to a denomination of more than ten pence, to correct an error;
- (b) the former reference to the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection has been updated, in articles 4(4) and 15(2), to refer to the proper officers of the Department of Trade and Industry; and
- (c) the description of types of "moneys" referred to in the form of oath set out in Schedule 2 has been amended to correspond with the description of types of coins referred to in the oath.