

2002 No. 505

ELECTORAL COMMISSION

**The Electoral Commission (Limit on Public Awareness
Expenditure) Order 2002**

Made - - - - - 4th March 2002
Laid before Parliament 11th March 2002
Coming into force 1st April 2002

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the power conferred on him by section 13(6) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000(a), hereby makes the following Order with the consent of the Treasury:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Electoral Commission (Limit on Public Awareness Expenditure) Order 2002 and shall come into force on 1st April 2002.

Specification of sum

2. The sum of £7,500,000 is hereby specified for the purposes of section 13(6) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (sum which the Electoral Commission's total expenditure incurred in any financial year in performing their functions under section 13(1) of that Act must not exceed).

Revocation

3. The Electoral Commission (Limit on Public Awareness Expenditure) Order 2001(b) is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State
for Transport, Local Government and the Regions

28th February 2002

Alan Whitehead
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department for Transport,
Local Government and the Regions.

We consent to the making of this Order

4th March 2002

John Heppell
Tony McNulty
Two of the Lords Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury

(a) 2000 c. 41.
(b) S.I. 2001/1329.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Under section 13(1) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000, the Electoral Commission are required to promote public awareness of the matters specified in that provision (which include current electoral systems and systems of local government). By this Order the power in section 13(6) of that Act is exercised in order to set a limit of £7,500,000 on the total expenditure in any year in respect of such functions. The Order also revokes the Order made in 2001 that set a limit of £1,500,000 for this purpose.

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