## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order relates to the obligations of the Rail Passengers' Council and the Rail Passengers' Committees pursuant to sections 76 and 77 of the Railways Act 1993 ("the Act").

Articles 3 and 4 respectively provide that the Rail Passengers' Council and the Rail Passengers' Committees shall have their obligations under sections 76 and 77 to investigate matters relating to the provision of certain railway passenger services limited to their duties in sections 76(7A) and 77(9A). The duties in those subsections are the Rail Passengers' Council's and the Rail Passengers' Committees' general duties relating to the review of railway passenger services and station services.

Article 5 specifies the services to which Articles 3 and 4 are to apply. These are services whose operators are not required to provide through ticketing facilities, and services provided using railway assets whose operators are exempt from the requirement to be authorised by a licence as the operator of those railway assets, except where those services are specified in the Schedule.