

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order establishes the Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health National Health Service Trust as an NHS trust (“the new trust”), under the terms set out in section 5 of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990.

This Order also dissolves on 1st April 2003 the Northern Birmingham Mental Health National Health Service Trust and the South Birmingham Mental Health National Health Service Trust.

The Order provides for the functions of the new trust (article 3) and the number of executive and non-executive directors (article 4). It specifies the operational date (the date on which the trust assumes all its functions), and the accounting date of the trust (article 5).

This Order does not impose a charge on businesses.