

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This is the seventh Commencement Order made by the Secretary of State under the Licensing Act 2003 (“the Act”). The Order brings into force those provisions of the Act which have not already been brought into force by earlier Commencement Orders. It does so in two stages:

- (a) Part 5, so far as it is not already in force, is brought into force on 10th November 2005; and
- (b) with the exception of the provisions mentioned in article 2(2), the remaining provisions of the Act, so far as they are not already in force, are brought into force on 24th November 2005.

The Order includes transitional provisions and savings relating to the commencement on the second appointed day of amendments made to the Gaming Act 1968 and the Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976 by Schedule 6 to the Act. The provisions are concerned with ensuring that permits and orders made under those Acts in relation to premises licensed under the Act continue to have effect on and after the second appointed day; and that any applications for permits or orders which are outstanding on that day can continue to be determined.