

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force on 7th November 2005 the provisions of the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c. 33) (“the Act”) in article 2(2) for the purpose of the powers in these provisions to prescribe matters by regulations.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument. A regulatory impact assessment identifying the impact on business and the exchequer of the provisions of the Act was published at the time the Act received Royal Assent. It is available from <http://www.dti.gov.uk/access/ria/index.htm>.