#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2007 No. 2284

## The Local Justice Areas Order 2007

#### Citation, commencement and extent

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Local Justice Areas Order 2007.
- (2) For the purposes of articles 5 and 6, and Part 1 of the Schedule to this Order, this Order shall come into force on 24 August 2007.
  - (3) For all other purposes this Order shall come into force on 1st January 2008.
  - (4) This Order extends to England and Wales.

#### Interpretation

2. In this Order:—

"existing area" means a local justice area existing before 1st January 2008 and altered by this Order:

"new area" means a local justice area constituted by this Order;

any reference to a justice for an area shall be construed as a reference to a justice of the peace who ordinarily acts, or as the case may be, will, on or after 1st January 2008, ordinarily act, in and for that area.

### New Area

- **3.**—(1) The existing areas of Mendip and South Somerset are combined to become a new area named South Somerset and Mendip.
  - (2) Accordingly, the Schedule to the Local Justice Areas Order 2005(1) is amended as follows:—
    - (a) delete "Mendip" and "South Somerset"; and
    - (b) after "South Sefton District" insert "South Somerset and Mendip".
  - 4. The consequential and transitional provisions set out in the Schedule to this Order have effect.

#### **Incidental Amendments**

- **5.** The Local Justice Areas (No. 1) Order 2006(2) is amended as follows.
- (1) In article 2, delete the definition of "relevant new area".
- (2) Part 1 of the Schedule is amended as follows—
  - (a) at the end of the heading, for "ARTICLE 3(1)" substitute "ARTICLES 3(1) and (2)"; and
  - (b) in paragraph 2(1), for "the new area" substitute "a new area".
- (3) In paragraph 4 of the Schedule, for "relevant new area" substitute "new area as specified by article 3(1) or article 3(2), whichever is applicable".

<sup>(1)</sup> S.I. 2005/554, amended by S.I. 2005/2949, 2006/1839, 2006/2315.

<sup>(2)</sup> S.I. 2006/1839.

- **6.** The Local Justice Areas (No. 2) Order 2006(3) is amended as follows.
- (1) In the Preamble, for "section 8(6)" substitute "sections 8(5A) and 8(6)".
- (2) In article 2, delete the definition of "relevant new area".
- (3) Part 1 of the Schedule is amended as follows—
  - (a) In the heading, for "AREAS" substitute "AREA".
  - (b) In paragraph 2(3), for "a new area" substitute "the new area".
- (4) In paragraph 4 of the Schedule, delete the word "relevant" before "new area".

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor

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