
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The South Downs National Park
Authority (Establishment) Order 2010**

PART 1

Introductory

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the South Downs National Park Authority (Establishment) Order 2010, and comes into force on 24th March 2010.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“the 1972 Act” means the Local Government Act 1972⁽¹⁾;

“the 1989 Act” means the Local Government and Housing Act 1989⁽²⁾;

“the 1995 Act” means the Environment Act 1995;

“the 2000 Act” means the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000⁽³⁾;

“the acting National Park officer” means the officer appointed by the Secretary of State in accordance with article 11;

“the Authority” means the South Downs National Park Authority established by article 3;

“the establishment date” means 1st April 2010;

“the National Park” means the South Downs National Park⁽⁴⁾;

“the National Park officer” means the officer appointed by the Authority in accordance with paragraph 14 of Schedule 7 to the 1995 Act;

“the operational date” means 1st April 2011;

“the relevant functions” means the functions which under Part 3 of the 1995 Act or this Order become, on the operational date, functions of the Authority;

“a South Downs local authority” means a council mentioned in article 5; and

“the transitional period” means the period beginning with the establishment date and ending with 31st March 2011.

(1) 1972 c. 70.

(2) 1989 c. 42.

(3) 2000 c. 37.

(4) The South Downs National Park was designated by order of the Countryside Agency (predecessor to Natural England) on 18th December 2002 under section 7 of, and Schedule 1 to, the [National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 \(c. 97\)](#), and the designation was varied by the South Downs National Park (designation) Variation Order 2004; both orders were confirmed, with modifications, by the Secretary of State under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 1 to that Act on 12th November 2009 and take effect from 31st March 2010.

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