
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No. 1465

The Civil Courts (Amendment) Order 2011

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Civil Courts (Amendment) Order 2011 and shall come into force—

- (a) in respect of Cheltenham County Court, Goole County Court, Harlow County Court, Hitchin County Court, Huntingdon County Court, Leigh County Court, Lowestoft County Court, Newbury County Court, Penzance County Court, Poole County Court and Whitehaven County Court, on 4th July 2011;
- (b) in respect of Ashford County Court, Bishop Auckland County Court, Consett County Court, Epsom County Court and Haywards Heath County Court, on 18th July 2011;
- (c) in respect of Aberdare County Court, Northwich County Court, Penrith County Court, Pontypool County Court, Runcorn County Court and Southport County Court, on 1st August 2011;
- (d) in respect of Salford County Court, on 8th August 2011.

Closure of county courts

2. The county courts listed in the Schedule to this Order are discontinued.

Establishment of Workington County Court

3. A county court shall be held at Workington and named West Cumbria County Court.

Jurisdiction under the Insolvency Act 1986

4. Jurisdiction is conferred on the West Cumbria County Court for the purposes of Parts VIII to XI of the Insolvency Act 1986.

Divorce Jurisdiction

5. For the purposes of section 33(1) of the Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Act 1984 the West Cumbria County Court shall be a divorce county court and a court of trial.

Transitional Provisions

6.—(1) The county courts listed in Table 1 in the column headed ‘receiving court’ shall have jurisdiction in proceedings begun at the county court in the column headed ‘closing court’ before this Order comes into force in accordance with directions made under section 2 of the County Courts Act 1984.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Table 1

<i>Closing Court</i>	<i>Receiving Court</i>
Aberdare County Court	Merthyr Tydfil County Court
Ashford County Court	Canterbury County Court, Maidstone County Court
Bishop Auckland County Court	Darlington County Court, Durham County Court
Cheltenham County Court	Gloucester and Cheltenham County Court
Consett County Court	Durham County Court, Gateshead County Court
Epsom County Court	Croydon County Court, Guildford County Court, Kingston County Court, Reigate County Court
Goole County Court	Doncaster County Court
Harlow County Court	Chelmsford County Court
Haywards Heath County Court	Brighton County Court, Horsham County Court, Reigate County Court, Tunbridge Wells County Court
Hitchin County Court	Bedford County Court, Cambridge County Court and Luton County Court,
Huntingdon County Court	Peterborough County Court
Leigh County Court	Warrington County Court, Wigan County Court.
Lowestoft County Court	Norwich County Court
Newbury County Court	Reading County Court
Northwich County Court	Chester County Court, Crewe County Court
Penrith County Court	Carlisle County Court, Kendal County Court
Penzance County Court	Truro County Court
Pontypool County Court	Blackwood County Court
Poole County Court	Bournemouth and Poole County Court
Runcorn County Court	Warrington County Court
Salford County Court	Bury County Court, Manchester County Court
Southport County Court	Liverpool County Court
Whitehaven County Court	West Cumbria County Court

7. No process shall be invalid only because the holding of any court named in the process has been discontinued by this Order.

Amendments to the Civil Courts Order 1983

8.—(1) The Civil Courts Order 1983(1) is amended as follows.

(2) In Schedule 1, omit —

- (a) “Aberdare” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Pontypridd” in the first column;

(1) [S.I. 1983/713](#). There have been numerous amendments none of which are relevant.

- (b) “Ashford” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Canterbury” in the first column;
- (c) “Bishop Auckland” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Durham” in the first column;
- (d) “Cheltenham” from its position in the first column and the corresponding entry for “Cheltenham” in the second column;
- (e) “Consett” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Sunderland” in the first column;
- (f) “Epsom” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Guildford” in the first column;
- (g) “Goole” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Doncaster” in the first column;
- (h) “Gravesend” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Chatham” in the first column.
- (i) “Harlow” from its position in the first column and the corresponding entries for “Harlow” and “Hertford” in the second column;
- (j) “Haywards Heath” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Brighton” in the first column;
- (k) “Hitchin” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Luton” in the first column;
- (l) “Huntingdon” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Peterborough” in the first column;
- (m) “Leigh” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Wigan” in the first column;
- (n) “Lowestoft” from its position in the first column and the corresponding entry for “Lowestoft” in the second column;
- (o) “Nelson” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Burnley” in the first column;
- (p) “Newbury” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Reading” in the first column;
- (q) “Northwich” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Crewe” in the first column;
- (r) “Penrith” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Carlisle” in the first column;
- (s) “Penzance” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Truro” in the first column;
- (t) “Pontypool” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Newport (Gwent)” in the first column;
- (u) “Poole” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Bournemouth” in the first column;
- (v) “Runcorn” from its position in the second column opposite the entry for “Chester” in the first column;
- (w) “Salford” from its position in the first column and the corresponding entry for “Salford” in the second column;

- (x) “Southport” from its position in the first column and the corresponding entry for “Southport” in the second column;
 - (y) “Whitehaven” from its position in the first column and the corresponding entry for “Whitehaven” in the second column.
- (3) In Schedule 1, insert—
- (a) “Hertford” in the second column opposite the entry for “Chelmsford” in the first column;
 - (b) “Workington” in the appropriate alphabetical position in the first column and insert “Workington” in the corresponding entry in the second column.
- (4) In Schedule 3, omit the entry relating to—
- (a) Aberdare County Court;
 - (b) Ashford County Court;
 - (c) Bishop Auckland County Court;
 - (d) Cheltenham County Court;
 - (e) Consett County Court;
 - (f) Epsom County Court;
 - (g) Goole County Court;
 - (h) Leigh County Court;
 - (i) Harlow County Court;
 - (j) Haywards Heath County Court;
 - (k) Hitchin County Court;
 - (l) Huntingdon County Court;
 - (m) Lowestoft County Court;
 - (n) Newbury County Court
 - (o) Northwich County Court;
 - (p) Penrith County Court;
 - (q) Penzance County Court;
 - (r) Pontypool County Court;
 - (s) Poole County Court;
 - (t) Runcorn County Court;
 - (u) Salford County Court;
 - (v) Southport County Court;
 - (w) Whitehaven County Court.
- (5) In Schedule 3, after the entry for “Welshpool” insert—
- (a) in the first column “Workington”;
 - (b) in the second column “Bankruptcy”, “Company or LLP” and “Divorce”.
- (6) In Schedule 4 insert at the end—
- “**15.** The name of the county court at Bournemouth shall be the Bournemouth and Poole County Court.
- 16.** The name of the county court at Gloucester shall be the Gloucester and Cheltenham County Court.”

17. The name of the county court at Workington shall be the West Cumbria County Court.”.

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor

8th June 2011

J Djanogly
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Ministry of Justice

I concur

10th June 2011

Judge, C.J.
Lord Chief Justice