

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes modifications and supplemental, incidental and consequential provision in relation to local enactments, general enactments and subordinate legislation in connection with the commencement of provisions of the Postal Services Act 2011 (“the 2011 Act”).

Article 1 provides for citation, commencement and extent. Article 1(3) provides that the modifications in the Order have the same extent as the enactment modified.

Article 2 provides that references to the statutory duty of the Post Office for the purpose of collecting or delivering mail is to construed as if it were the duty of a universal service provider as defined in the 2011 Act.

Article 3 provides that references to the Post Office in the Post Office Extension Act 1965, the Post Office (London) Railway Act 1913 and the Post Office (Site and Railway) Act 1954 are to have effect as if they were references to a Royal Mail company within the meaning of Part 1 of the 2011 Act so far as these relate to the provision of postal services.

Article 4 provides that references to the Post Office company in the Post Office Works Act 1959 and the Post Office Subway Act 1966 are to have effect as if they were references to a Royal Mail company within the meaning of Part 1 of the 2011 Act so far as these relate to the provision of postal services.

Article 5 gives effect to the modifications specified in Schedule 1 (amendments) and Schedule 2 (repeals and revocations).

Schedule 1 makes consequential amendments mainly in relation to the definitions of “Post Office”, “postal operator”, “postal services”, “Postcomm”, “Post Office company”, “Royal Mail Group”, “universal postal service”, “universal postal service provider” and “universal service provider” in order to replace the references to the definitions in the Postal Services Act 2000 which were largely repealed by the 2011 Act.

Schedule 2 makes repeals and revocations in consequence of the 2011 Act.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Postal Services Act 2011 (Consequential Modifications and Amendments) Order 2011.