EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Churches Conservation Trust (formerly known as the Redundant Churches Fund) has as its object the preservation, in the interests of the nation and the Church of England, of churches and parts of churches of historic and archaeological interest or architectural quality which, together with their contents, are vested in the Trust.

Article 2 of this Order specifies the period 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016 for the purposes of section 1 of the Redundant Churches and other Religious Buildings Act 1969. As a result, the Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Treasury, make grants to the Churches Conservation Trust during that period of such amounts, payable at such times and subject to such conditions, if any, as he may from time to time determine. Article 3 of the Order specifies the sum of £3,217,000 as the aggregate amount of the grants that may be paid in that period. The previous Order made under section 1 of the 1969 Act is revoked.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.