## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

## (This note is not part of the Order)

This Order, made in accordance with section 58(2) of the Local Government Act 1972, gives effect to proposals of the Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales ("the Commission"), which reported in February 2010 and September 2011 on its reviews of community boundaries in the City and County of Swansea. The Commission's report of February 2010 recommended changes to the existing boundaries of communities within the area of the City and County of Swansea and consequential changes to electoral arrangements. The Commission's report dated September 2011 proposed that the boundary between the communities of Birchgrove and Clydach remain unchanged. This Order gives effect to the Commission's recommendations in its 2010 report, except for the recommendation for the change to the boundary between the communities of Birchgrove and Clydach remain Clydach, and it gives effect to the recommendation in the 2011 report without modification.

The effect of this Order is that there are changes to a number of community areas and consequential changes in electoral arrangements. The area comprising the Three Crosses ward of the community of Llanrhidian Higher is transferred from that community to constitute the new community of Three Crosses. Transitional and consequential provision is made in respect of the new community council.

Prints of the boundary maps A to V referred to in the Order are deposited and may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of the City and County of Swansea Council, Civic Centre, Swansea, SA1 3SN, and at the offices of the Welsh Government at Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ (Local Government and Communities Division).

The Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976 referred to in article 2 of this Order contain incidental, consequential, transitional and supplementary provisions about the effect and implementation of orders such as this.