
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 872 (W. 65)

LAND DRAINAGE, WALES

**The Lower Wye and Caldicot and Wentlooge
Internal Drainage Districts (Abolition) Order 2015**

Made - - - - 24 March 2015

Coming into force in accordance with article 1

Under section 3(1)(a) and section 4(3) of the Land Drainage Act 1991 (“the 1991 Act”)(1), the Natural Resources Body for Wales (“NRW”) have prepared a Scheme making provision for matters specified in section 3(2)(d), (e) and (i) of that Act.

In accordance with section 3(1) of the 1991 Act, NRW have submitted the Scheme to the Welsh Ministers for confirmation.

The Welsh Ministers have published a notice of intent to make the following Order confirming the Scheme, in accordance with paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 3 to the 1991 Act. The Welsh Ministers have sent this notice to the relevant local authorities and other bodies specified in paragraph 2(2) of that Schedule.

No objection has been made to the draft Order.

Accordingly, the Welsh Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3(5) and (7) of the 1991 Act and now vested in them(2).

(1) 1991 c. 59. References to the NRA were replaced with references to the Agency by paragraph 191 of Schedule 22 to the Environment Act 1995 (c. 25). “The NRA” was defined in section 72(1) of the Land Drainage Act 1991 as the National Rivers Authority and the “Agency” defined as the Environment Agency. References to the Agency were replaced with references to “the appropriate supervisory body” by paragraph 317 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the [Natural Resources Body for Wales \(Functions\) Order 2013/755](#). The “appropriate supervisory body” is defined in section 72(1) of the Land Drainage Act 1991 as the Natural Resources Body for Wales in relation to internal drainage districts which are wholly or mainly in Wales.

(2) The relevant functions of the Secretary of State were, so far as exercisable in relation to internal drainage districts wholly in Wales, or to the boards for such districts, transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by virtue of article 2 of, and Schedule 1 to, the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/672). Those functions are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers by virtue of section 162 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to, the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).