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## The Cheshire (Structural Changes) Order 2008

#### PART 5

#### FURTHER TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

# Implementation Plans and further provisions relevant to discharge of functions by joint committees

- **18.**—(1) The Cheshire East Joint Committee and the Cheshire West and Chester Joint Committee shall each prepare, keep under review, and revise as necessary, an Implementation Plan which shall include—
  - (a) such plans and timetables as are in the opinion of each Joint Committee necessary to secure the effective, efficient and timely discharge of the article 16 functions; and
  - (b) such budgets and plans as it considers necessary or desirable to facilitate the economic, effective, efficient and timely discharge, on or after 1st April 2009, of the functions that, before that date, are functions of the County Council, the East Cheshire councils, or the West Cheshire councils.
  - (2) For the purposes of
    - (a) preparing, reviewing and revising the Implementation Plan,
    - (b) discharging the article 16 functions, and
    - (c) discharging such other functions as may be conferred on it, each Joint Committee shall have regard to the information supplied to the Secretary of State in support of proposals for single tier local government in Cheshire and, in particular, to the information supplied in relation to the matters specified in paragraphs 3.6 to 3.11 (strategic leadership, neighbourhood empowerment and value for money services) of the guidance "Invitations to councils in England", issued by the Secretary of State in October 2006(1) by—
      - (i) as regards Cheshire East, Macclesfield Borough Council,
      - (ii) as regards Cheshire West and Chester, Chester City Council, Ellesmere Port and Neston Borough Council and Vale Royal Borough Council.
  - (3) Each Joint Committee may, by written notice to—
    - (a) the proper officer of the County Council, or
- (b) the proper officer of any of the East Cheshire councils or the West Cheshire councils, require the council referred to in the notice to take such action relevant to any of the article 16 functions as may be specified in the notice.

<sup>(1)</sup> The guidance was published by the Department for Communities and Local Government. Copies of the guidance may be obtained from Communities and Local Government Publications, PO Box 236, Wetherby, West Yorkshire, LS23 7NB, quoting Product Code 06 LGSRU 04198 (Tel: 08701 226 236; Email: communities@twoten.com or online at www.communities.gov.uk).

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