



Police and Magistrates' Courts Act 1994

1994 CHAPTER 29

PART I

POLICE

CHAPTER II

OTHER PROVISIONS ABOUT THE POLICE

Reorganisation of local government

39 Police areas in England: alterations under Local Government Act 1992

- (1) The Local Government Act 1992 shall be amended as follows.
- (2) In section 14(5) (matters on which Local Government Commission to make recommendations) after paragraph (d) there shall be added—
 - “(e) whether, in connection with any recommended structural or boundary change, there should be any change in police areas (including any change resulting in a reduction or increase in the number of police areas)”.
- (3) In section 15 (procedure on a review) in subsections (3)(c) and (4)(c) (duty to deposit draft and final recommendations with affected councils) after the word “council” there shall be inserted the words “or police authority”.
- (4) In section 17 (implementation of recommendations), in subsection (3)(g) for the words “and election” there shall be substituted the words “, election and membership”.
- (5) After subsection (5) of section 17 there shall be added—
 - “(6) The Secretary of State shall exercise his power to make orders under this section in relation to police areas in such a way as to ensure that none of the following areas—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (a) a county in which there are no district councils,
- (b) a district in any other county, and
- (c) a London borough,

is divided between two or more police areas; but this subsection shall not have effect so as to prevent the maintenance of any part of the boundary of the metropolitan police district as it exists at the commencement of section 1 of the Police and Magistrates' Courts Act 1994.”

- (6) In section 18, subsection (2) and paragraph (a) of subsection (4) shall cease to have effect.
- (7) In section 19(2) (provision that may be made by regulations), in paragraph (a) after the words “local authority” in each place where they occur there shall be inserted the words “or police authority”.

40 Police areas in Wales: alterations under Local Government Act 1972

- (1) The Local Government Act 1972 shall be amended as follows.
- (2) In section 54(1) (changes that may be proposed by Welsh Local Government Boundary Commission) after paragraph (e) there shall be added—
 - “(f) a change in police areas (including a change resulting in a reduction or increase in the number of police areas) in connection with a change in local government areas”.
- (3) In section 58 (implementation of Commission’s reports) after subsection (3) there shall be inserted—
 - “(3A) The Secretary of State shall exercise his power to make orders under this section in relation to police areas in such a way as to ensure that no county or county borough is divided between two or more police areas.”
- (4) In section 60 (procedure for reviews)—
 - (a) in subsection (2)(a)(i) (duty to consult local authorities etc.) after the word “area” there shall be inserted the words “and the police authority for any police area”;
 - (b) in subsection (2)(c) (duty to deposit documents with councils, etc.) after the words “principal council” there shall be inserted the words “or police authority”, and after the word “such” there shall be inserted the word “principal”;
 - (c) in subsection (5)(b) (further duty to deposit documents with councils, etc.) after the words “principal council” there shall be inserted the words “or police authority”, and after the word “such” there shall be inserted the word “principal”.
- (5) In section 67 (provision that may be made by orders), in subsection (5)(b) for the words “and election” there shall be substituted the words “, election and membership”.