



Local Transport Act 2008

2008 CHAPTER 26

PART 1

THE TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS

2 Traffic commissioners

- (1) Section 4 of the PPVA 1981 (traffic commissioners) is amended as follows.
- (2) For subsections (1) and (2) (commissioner to be appointed for each traffic area etc) substitute—
 - “(1) For the purposes of this Act there shall be—
 - (a) such number of commissioners for England and Wales as the Secretary of State may consider appropriate; and
 - (b) a single commissioner for the Scottish Traffic Area (the “Scottish traffic commissioner”).
 - (2) The commissioners shall be appointed by the Secretary of State and shall be known as traffic commissioners.”.
- (3) In subsection (3) (function of issuing licences) for “The traffic commissioner for each traffic area” substitute “ A traffic commissioner ”.
- (4) After subsection (3) insert—
 - “(3A) A traffic commissioner for England and Wales—
 - (a) may exercise the functions of a traffic commissioner in any traffic area in England and Wales; and
 - (b) may exercise in relation to the Scottish Traffic Area any functions of a traffic commissioner that relate to reserved matters within the meaning of the Scotland Act 1998.
 - (3B) The Scottish traffic commissioner—
 - (a) is to exercise the functions of a traffic commissioner in relation to the Scottish Traffic Area; and

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- (b) may exercise in relation to any traffic area in England and Wales any functions of a traffic commissioner that relate to reserved matters within the meaning of the Scotland Act 1998.”.
- (5) In subsection (4) (terms of office) in the opening words, for “the traffic commissioner for a traffic area” substitute “ a traffic commissioner ”.
- (6) In subsection (5) (declaration of certain financial interests before appointment) for “the traffic commissioner for a traffic area” substitute “ a traffic commissioner ”.
- (7) In section 82(1) of the PPVA 1981 (general definitions) insert at the appropriate place—
- ““the Scottish traffic commissioner” is to be read in accordance with section 4(1)(b) (the traffic commissioner for the Scottish Traffic Area);”.

Commencement Information

II S. 2 in force at 3.7.2013 by [S.I. 2013/685](#), [art. 3\(1\)\(2\)\(a\)](#)

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Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Local Transport Act 2008

Commencement Orders bringing provisions within this Act into force:

- [S.I. 2009/579 art. 2](#) commences (2008 c. 26)
- [S.I. 2009/3294 art. 2](#) commences (2008 c. 26)