

1981 No. 1649

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES**  
**CHANGES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS**  
**The Greater Manchester and Lancashire (Areas) Order 1981**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	18th November 1981
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	-	2nd December 1981
<i>Coming into Operation—</i> <i>for the purposes des-</i> <i>cribed in article 2</i>		1st March 1982
<i>for all other purposes</i>	-	1st April 1982

Whereas the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, under sections 47 and 51(1) of the Local Government Act 1972(a), on 16th October 1980, made proposals to the Secretary of State for the Environment for the transfer of part of the County of Greater Manchester to the County of Lancashire;

Now therefore the Secretary of State for the Environment, in exercise of his powers under sections 51(2) and 67(4) of the said Act and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order giving effect to the said proposals with a modification:—

*Title and commencement*

1. This order may be cited as the Greater Manchester and Lancashire (Areas) Order 1981.

2. 1st March 1982 is hereby specified as the day on which this order shall come into operation for any purposes set out in regulation 4(1) (Coming into operation of order) of the Regulations.

For all other purposes this order shall come into operation on the appointed day.

*Interpretation*

3. In this order—

“the appointed day” means 1st April 1982;

“the boundary map” means the map printed for Her Majesty’s Stationery Office by Ordnance Survey as “Map referred to in the Greater Manchester and Lancashire (Areas) Order 1981”; and

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(a) 1972 c. 70.

“the Regulations” means the Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976(a) as amended by the Local Government Area Changes (Amendment) Regulations 1978(b).

*Changes in areas*

4. That part of the County of Greater Manchester, of the Borough of Wigan and of the Parish of Shevington which is shown coloured red on the boundary map shall be transferred to the County of Lancashire, to the District of West Lancashire and to the Parish of Wrightington, and shall form part of the Skelmersdale East electoral division of the County of Lancashire, of the Wrightington ward of the District of West Lancashire, of the Appley Bridge ward of the Parish of Wrightington, of the Ormskirk petty sessional division and of the Preston and South West Lancashire coroner’s district.

*Land registration*

5. In the area transferred by article 4, registration of title to land shall cease to be compulsory on sale under section 123 of the Land Registration Act 1925(e).

*Town and country planning*

6.—(1) In this article—

“the Act of 1971” means the Town and Country Planning Act 1971(d);

“the Greater Manchester plan” means the plans which together comprise the development plan within the meaning of paragraph 2 of Schedule 7 to the Act of 1971 for the County of Greater Manchester;

“the Greater Manchester structure plan” means the structure plan for the County of Greater Manchester approved by the Secretary of State for the Environment pursuant to the provisions of section 9 of the Act of 1971 on 5th March 1981; and

“the Lancashire plan” means the development plan (within the meaning of Schedule 5 to the Act of 1971) for the County of Lancashire.

(2) The Lancashire plan shall have effect as if the provisions of the Greater Manchester plan in relation to land in the area transferred by article 4 were contained therein.

(3) The provisions of the Greater Manchester structure plan shall cease to have effect in relation to the area transferred by article 4.

18th November 1981.

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Secretary of State for the Environment.

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(a) S.I. 1976/246.  
(c) 1925 c. 21.

(b) S.I. 1978/247.  
(d) 1971 c. 78.

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**  
(This Note is not part of the Order.)

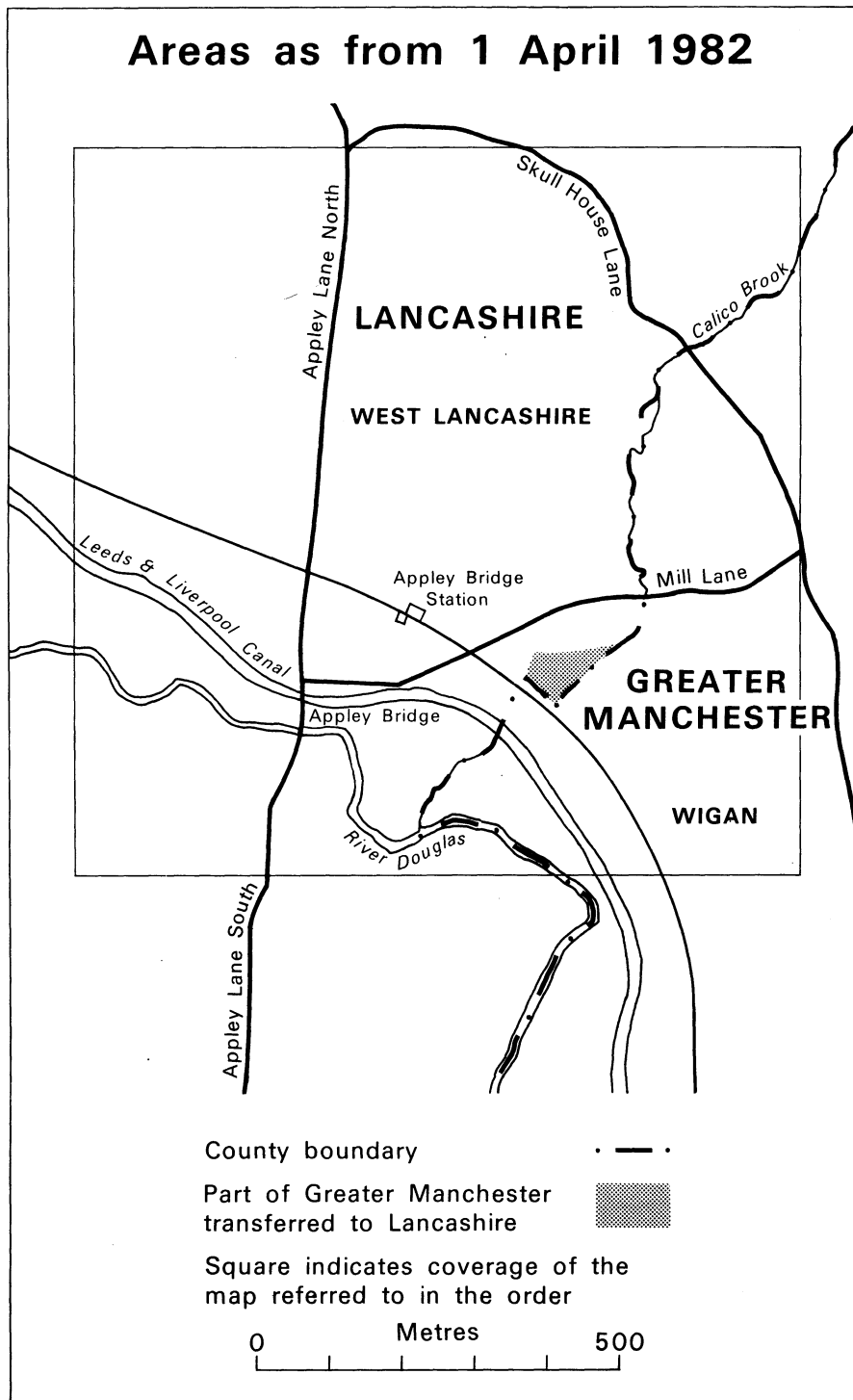
This order transfers part of the County of Greater Manchester (and of the Borough of Wigan) to the County of Lancashire (and to the District of West Lancashire). The part transferred has approximately an area of 0.56 hectares, a population of 45 and a rateable value of £2,575.

The area transferred is shown on the map forming part of this note.

Prints of the map referred to in article 3 of the order may be inspected at the offices of the borough and district councils. Prints may be purchased from the Department of the Environment's Map Library.

Incidental, consequential, transitional and supplementary provision in consequence of orders of the nature of the present one is contained in the Regulations defined in article 3 of the order.

# Areas as from 1 April 1982



Based on the Ordnance Survey map

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