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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1987 No. 1739**

**JUSTICES OF THE PEACE,  
ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Petty Sessional Divisions (Dorset) Order 1987**

*Made - - - - 1st October 1987*

*Coming into force in accordance with Article 1*

Whereas the magistrates' courts committee for the county of Dorset has, in pursuance of subsection (1) of section 23 of the Justices of the Peace Act 1979<sup>(1)</sup>, submitted to the Secretary of State a draft order making provision about the division of part of the said county into petty sessional divisions;

And whereas by subsections (3)(a) and (5) of the said section it is provided that the Secretary of State may by statutory instrument make the Order either in the terms of the said draft or with such modifications as he thinks fit and that the said Order may contain transitional and other consequential provisions;

And whereas the provisions of subsections (1), (2) and (3) of section 24 of the Act of 1979 have been complied with;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by subsections (3) and (5) of the said section 23, I hereby make the following Order:

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Petty Sessional Divisions (Dorset) Order 1987 and shall come into force on 1st January 1988 except that for the purposes of paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 thereto this Order shall come into force forthwith.

**2.** In this Order, except where the context otherwise requires, the expression "division" means petty sessional division and any reference to a justice for a division shall be construed as a reference to a justice of the peace who ordinarily acts, or as the case may be, will on or after 1st January 1988 ordinarily act, in and for that division.

- 3.—(1)** The three divisions of Blandford, Shaftesbury and Sturminster shall be abolished and
- (a) from the areas comprised in the divisions of Blandford and Sturminster, less the parishes of Fifehead Magdalen, Marnhull and Stalbridge, there shall be constituted a new division to be known as the Blandford and Sturminster division;

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(b) from the area comprised in the division of Shaftesbury, together with the parishes of Fifehead Magdalen, Marnhull and Stalbridge, there shall be constituted a new division to be known as the Shaftesbury division.

(2) The divisions specified in column (1) of Schedule 1 to this Order shall, in consequence of the foregoing paragraph of this article, comprise the areas specified opposite to those divisions in column (2) of the said Schedule.

4. The transitional and other consequential provisions set out in Schedule 2 to this Order shall have effect in connection with the provisions of article 3 of this Order.

Home Office  
1st October 1987

*Douglas Hurd*  
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of  
State

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3(2)

(1) Division	(2) Area comprised therein
Blandford and Sturminster	Ansty
	Anderson
	Blandford Forum
	Blandford St Mary
	Bryanston
	Charlton Marshall
	Child Okeford
	Chettle
	Durweston
	Farnham
	Fifehead Neville
	Hammoon
	Handford
	Hazelbury Bryan
	Hinton St Mary
	Ibberton
	Iwerne Courtney or Shroton
	Iwerne Steepleton
	Langton Long Blandford
	Lydlinch
	Manston
	Mappowder
	Milbourne St Andrew
	Milton Abbas
	Okeford Fitzpaine
	Pentridge
	Pimperne
	Pulham
	Shillingstone
	Sixpenny Handley
	Spetisbury
	Stoke Wake

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(1) Division	(2) Area comprised therein
Shaftesbury	Stourpaine
	Stourton Caundle
	Sturminster Newton
	Tarrant Crawford
	Tarrant Gunville
	Tarrant Hinton
	Tarrant Keyneston
	Tarrant Launceston
	Tarrant Monkton
	Tarrant Rawston
	Tarrant Rushton
	Turnworth
	Winterborne Clenston
	Winterborne Houghton
	Winterborne Kingston
	Winterborne Stickland
	Winterborne Whitechurch
	Winterborne Zelston
	Woolland
	Ashmore
	Bourton
	Buckhorn Weston
	Cann
	Compton Abbas
	East Orchard
	East Stour
	Fifehead Magdalen
Fontmell Magna	
Gillingham	
Iwerne Minster	
Kingston Magna	
Margaret Marsh	
Marnhull	
Melbury Abbas	

(1) Division	(2) Area comprised therein
	Motcombe
	Shaftesbury
	Silton
	Stalbridge
	Stour Provost
	Sutton Waldron
	Todber
	West Orchard
	West Stour

SCHEDULE 2

Article 4

TRANSITIONAL AND OTHER CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS

1. In this Schedule—

“abolished division” means a division abolished by Article 3(1) of this Order;

“new division” means a division constituted by Article 3(1) of this Order;

“respective new division” in relation to an abolished division means that new division specified opposite to that abolished division in column (1) of the Appendix to this Schedule;

“community service order” means an order made under section 14 of the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973(2);

“probation order” means a probation order made or having effect as if made under section 2 of the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973;

“supervision order” means any of the following orders, that is to say—

- (a) a supervision order within the meaning of section 11 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1969(3);
- (b) an order under section 2(1)(f) of the Matrimonial Proceedings (Magistrates' Courts) Act 1960(4) or section 9 of the Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates' Courts Act 1978(5);
- (c) an order under section 2(2)(a) of the Guardianship Act 1973(6);
- (d) a supervision order within the meaning of section 26 of the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973;
- (e) an order under section 17(1)(a) or section 36(3)(b) of the Children Act 1975(7).

2.—(1) The justices for a new division shall appoint in the prescribed manner, so far as may be applicable, and for the prescribed term, to take office on 1st January 1988—

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(2) 1973 c. 62.  
(3) 1969 c. 54.  
(4) 1960 c. 48.  
(5) 1978 c. 22.  
(6) 1973 c. 29.  
(7) 1975 c. 72.

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- (a) a chairman and one or more deputy chairmen;
  - (b) a juvenile court panel;
  - (c) one or more probation liaison committees;
  - (d) a justice or justices to serve as a member or members of the magistrates' courts committee for the county of Dorset;
  - (e) a divisional licensing committee;
  - (f) a betting licensing committee;
  - (g) a domestic court panel.
- (2) In the foregoing sub-paragraph, the expressions “the prescribed manner” and “the prescribed term” mean respectively—
- (a) in relation to the election of a chairman or deputy chairman, the manner prescribed by rules made, or having effect as if made, under section 18 of the Justices of the Peace Act 1979 and a term ending at the expiration of the month of December 1988;
  - (b) in relation to the appointment of a juvenile court panel, the manner prescribed by rules made, or having effect as if made, under section 144 of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980<sup>(8)</sup>, as extended by section 146 of that Act, and a term ending at the expiration of the month of December 1988;
  - (c) in relation to the appointment of a probation liaison committee, the manner prescribed by rules made, or having effect as if made, under Schedule 3 to the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973 and a term ending at the expiration of the month of December 1988;
  - (d) in relation to the appointment of a member of the magistrates' courts committee, the manner prescribed by regulations made, or having effect as if made, under section 21 of the Justices of the Peace Act 1979 and a term ending at the expiration of the month of November 1988;
  - (e) in relation to the appointment of the divisional licensing committee, the manner prescribed in Part I of Schedule 1 to the Licensing Act 1964<sup>(9)</sup> and a term ending at the expiration of the month of December 1988;
  - (f) in relation to the appointment of the betting licensing committee, the manner prescribed by the Betting (Licensing) Regulations 1960<sup>(10)</sup> and a term ending at the expiration of the month of December 1988;
  - (g) in relation to the appointment of a domestic court panel, the manner prescribed by rules made, or having effect as if made, under section 144 of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, as extended by section 67 of that Act and a term ending at the expiration of the month of December 1989.
- (3) In relation to the appointment of a justices' clerk for a new division, any consultation with the justices for that division required by section 25(3) of the Justices of the Peace Act 1979 may take place before 1st January 1988.
3. The permitted hours under Part III of the Licensing Act 1964 in force immediately before 1st January 1988 in an abolished division shall continue in force there until the coming into operation of an order under the said Part III, fixing permitted hours, made in the year 1988 at the general annual licensing meeting of the justices for the respective new division.

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<sup>(8)</sup> 1980 c. 43.

<sup>(9)</sup> 1964 c. 26.

<sup>(10)</sup> S.I.1960/1701.

4. Anything required by virtue of the foregoing provision of this Schedule to be done on or after 1st January 1988 by, or in relation to, the clerk to the justices for an abolished division shall be done by, or in relation to, the clerk to the justices for the respective new division.

5. Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Schedule, any process issued, order made, sentence passed, appeal brought, case stated, licence granted, recognisance entered into, proceedings begun, appointment made or other thing done before 1st January 1988 by, from, to or before any justices for an abolished division or their clerk shall, on and after that date, be deemed to have been issued, made, passed, brought, stated, granted, entered into, begun or done by, from, to or before those justices as justices for the respective new division or their clerk, as the case may be.

6. Any order made by a magistrates' court directing the payment of money to the clerk or any other officer of a magistrates' court for an abolished division shall have effect as if it had directed payment to be made to the clerk to the justices for the respective new division.

7.—(1) Any process, records or other documents in the custody, by virtue of his office as such, of the clerk to the justices for an abolished division shall be retained by that clerk in his capacity as clerk to the justices for the respective new division or, if he does not hold that clerkship, be transferred to the custody of the clerk to the justices for the new division.

(2) Copies of, and extracts from, any such record or other document as aforesaid made or certified by the clerk to the justices for the respective new division shall be of the same effect as if they had been made or certified by the clerk to the justices for an abolished division.

8. Where an abolished division is named in a community service order, probation order or supervision order, the powers and functions of the justices for that division in relation to the order shall vest in and be discharged by the justices for the respective new division and the order, unless amended in regard to the division named, shall have effect in all respects as if the respective new division were named therein.

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APPENDIX TO SCHEDULE 2

Paragraph 1

(1) Abolished Division	(2) Respective New Division
Blandford	Blandford and Sturminster
Sturminster (in respect of the area apart from that comprising the parishes of Fifehead Magdalen, Marnhull and Stalbridge)	Blandford and Sturminster
Sturminster (in respect of the area comprising the parishes of Fifehead Magdalen, Marnhull and Stalbridge)	Shaftesbury
Shaftesbury	Shaftesbury

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order gives effect to a draft order submitted by the magistrates' courts committee for the county of Dorset and provides for the petty sessional divisions of Blandford, Shaftesbury and Sturminster to be abolished and reconstituted as the two new divisions of Blandford and Sturminster and Shaftesbury.