
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 622

HOUSING, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Housing (Right to Acquire or Enfranchise) (Designated Rural Areas in the North West and Merseyside) Order 1997

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>5th March 1997</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>7th March 1997</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 1997</i>

The Secretary of State for the Environment, as respects England, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 17 of the Housing Act 1996⁽¹⁾ and section 1AA(3)(a) of the Leasehold Reform Act 1967⁽²⁾ and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Housing (Right to Acquire or Enfranchise) (Designated Rural Areas in the North West and Merseyside) Order 1997 and shall come into force on 1st April 1997.

Designated rural areas

2. The following areas shall be designated rural areas for the purposes of section 17 of the Housing Act 1996 (the right to acquire) and section 1AA(3)(a) of the Leasehold Reform Act 1967 (additional right to enfranchise)—

- (a) those parishes in the counties of Cheshire, Cumbria, Greater Manchester, Lancashire and Merseyside specified in Schedule 1 to this Order;
- (b) those areas in the parishes and the unparished areas in the counties of Cheshire, Cumbria, Greater Manchester, Lancashire and Merseyside specified in Schedule 2 to this Order each shown bounded with a black line and cross hatched on one of the eighty-six maps entitled “Maps referred to in the Housing (Right to Acquire or Enfranchise) (Designated Rural Areas in the North West and Merseyside) Order 1997” of which prints, signed by a member of the Senior Civil Service in the Department of the Environment, are deposited and available for inspection at the offices of the Secretary of State for the Environment; and
- (c) the areas consisting of—
 - (i) the parish of Windermere in the county of Cumbria:

(1) 1996 c. 52.

(2) 1967 c. 88; section 1AA was inserted by paragraph 1 of Schedule 9 to the Housing Act 1996.

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- (ii) the county constituency of Heywood and Middleton⁽³⁾ in the county of Greater Manchester; and
- (iii) the unparished area of the borough constituency of Rochdale⁽⁴⁾ in the county of Greater Manchester,

with the exception of the non-cross hatched areas each shown bounded with a black line on one of the eighty-six maps entitled “Maps referred to in the Housing (Right to Acquire or Enfranchise) (Designated Rural Areas in the North West and Merseyside) Order 1997” of which prints, signed by a member of the Senior Civil Service in the Department of the Environment, are deposited and available for inspection at the offices of the Secretary of State for the Environment.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

5th March 1997

David Curry
Minister of State,
Department of the Environment

⁽³⁾ Designated a county constituency by S.I.1983/417, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

⁽⁴⁾ Designated a borough constituency by S.I. 1983/417, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

SCHEDULE 1

Article 2(a)

DESIGNATED RURAL AREAS—ENTIRE PARISHES

PART I

CHESHIRE

Acton Bridge, Acton, Adlington, Agden (in the district of Macclesfield), Agden (in the district of Chester), Aldersey, Aldford, Allostock, Alraham, Alvanley, Anderton with Marbury, Antrobus, Arclid, Ashley, Ashton, Aston, Aston by Budworth, Aston juxta Mondrum, Audlem, Austerton,

Backford, Baddiley, Baddington, Barrow, Barthomley, Barton, Basford, Batherton, Beeston, Betchton, Bexton, Bickerton, Bickley, Blakenhall, Bosley, Bostock, Bradley, Bradwall, Brereton, Bridge Trafford, Bridgemere, Brindley, Broomhall, Broxton, Bruen Stapleford, Buerton (in the district of Crewe and Nantwich), Buerton (in the district of Chester), Bulkeley, Bunbury, Burland, Burton, Burwardsley, Byley,

Caldecote, Calvey, Capenhurst, Carden, Checkley cum Wrinehill, Chelford, Chidlow, Cholmondeley, Cholmondeston, Cholton (in the district of Crewe and Nantwich), Chorley (in the district of Crewe and Nantwich), Chorley (in the district of Macclesfield), Chorton (in the district of Chester), Chorlton by Backford, Chowley, Church Lawton, Church Minshull, Church Shocklach, Churton by Aldford, Churton by Farndon, Churton Heath, Claverton, Clotton Hoofield, Clutton, Coddington (in the district of Chester), Comberbach, Coole Pilate, Cotton Abbotts, Cotton Edmunds, Cranage, Crewe, Crewe Green, Croft, Croughton, Crowton, Cuddington (in the district of Chester), Cuerdley,

Daresbury, Darnhall, Delamere, Dodcott cum Wilkesley, Doddington, Dodleston, Duckington, Duddon, Dunham on the Hill, Dutton,

Eaton (in the district of Macclesfield), Eaton (in the district of Chester), Eccleston, Edge, Edgerley, Edleston, Egerton, Elton,

Faddiley, Farndon, Foulk Stapleford,

Gawsworth, Golborne Bellow, Golborne David, Goostrey, Grafton, Great Budworth, Great Warford, Guilden Sutton,

Hampton, Handley, Hankelow, Hapsford, Harthill, Hassall, Hatherton, Hatton (in the district of Chester), Hatton (in the district of Warrington), Haughton, Henbury, Henhull, High Legh, Hockenhull, Hoole Village, Horton, Horton cum Peel, Hough, Hulme Walfield, Hunsterson, Huntington, Hurleston, Huxley,

Iddinshall, Ince,

Kelsall, Kettlethulme, Kings Marsh, Kingsley,

Lach Dennis, Larkton, Lea, Lea Newbold, Lea by Backford, Ledsham, Leighton, Little Bollington, Little Budworth, Little Leigh, Little Staney, Little Warford, Littleton, Lower Kinnerton, Lower Withington, Lyme Handley,

Macclesfield Forest and Wildboarclough, Macefen, Malpas, Manley, Marbury cum Quoisley, Marlston cum Lache, Marston, Marthall, Marton, Mere, Mickle Trafford, Millington, Minshull Vernon, Mobberley, Mollington, Moore, Moolton, Moreton cum Alcumlow, Moston (in the district of Congleton), Mottram St Andrew, Mouldsworth,

Nether Alderley, Nether Peover, Newbold Astbury, Newhall, Newton by Malpas, Newton by Tattenhall, Norbury, Norley, North Rode,

Oakmere, Odd Rode, Old Castle, Ollerton, Over Alderley, Overton,

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Peckforton, Peover Inferior, Peover Superior, Pickmere, Picton, Plumley, Poole, Pott Shrigley, Poulton, Preston Brook, Prior's Heys, Puddington, Pulford,
Rainow, Ridley, Rixton with Glazebrook, Rostherne, Rowton, Rushton,
Saighton, Shocklach Oviatt, Shotwick, Shotwick Park, Siddington, Smallwood, Snelson, Somerford Booths, Somerford, Sound, Sproston, Spurstow, Stanthorne, Stapeley, Stockton, Stoke (in the district of Chester), Stoke (in the district of Crewe and Nantwich), Stretton (in the district of Warrington), Stretton (in the district of Chester), Sutton (in the district of Vale Royal), Sutton (in the district of Macclesfield), Swettenham,
Tabley Inferior, Tabley Superior, Tarporley, Tarvin, Tattenhall, Tatton, Thorton le Moors, Threapwood, Tilston, Tilston-Fearnall, Tiverton, Toft, Tushingham cum Grindley, Twemlow, Utkinton,
Walgherton, Wardle, Warmingham, Waverton, Wervin, Weston, Wettenhall, Whitegate and Marton, Whitley, Wigland, Willington, Wimbolds-Trafford, Wimboldsley, Wincham, Wincle, Winwick, Wirswall, Woodbank, Woolstanwood, Worleston, Wrenbury cum Frith, Wybunbury, Wychough.

PART II

CUMBRIA

Above Derwent, Aikton, Ainstable, Aldingham, Allhallows, Allonby, Alston Moor, Angerton, Appleby-in-Westmorland, Arlecdon and Frizington, Arnside, Arthurct, Asby, Askam and Ireleth, Askerton, Askham, Aspatria,
Bampton, Barbon, Barton, Bassenthwaite, Beaumont, Beetham, Bewaldeth and Snittle garth, Bewcastle, Blawith and Subberthwaite, Blennerhasset and Torpenhow, Blindboethel, Blindcrake, Bolton, Boltons, Bootle, Borrowdale, Bothel and Threapland, Bowness, Bridekirk, Brigham, Bromfield, Brough, Brough Sowerby, Brougham, Broughton, Broughton East, Broughton Moor, Broughton West, Burgh by Sands, Burtholme, Burton in Kendal, Buttermere, Caldbeck, Camerton, Carlatton, Cartmel Fell, Casterton, Castle Carrock, Castle Sowerby, Catterlen, Claife, Cliburn, Clifton, Colby, Colton, Coniston, Crackenthorpe, Crook, Crosby Garrett, Crosby Ravensworth, Crosscanonby, Crossthwaite and Lyth, Culgaith, Cummersdale, Cumrew, Cumwhitton,
Dacre, Dalston, Dean, Dearham, Dent, Distington, Docker, Drigg and Carleton, Dufton, Dundraw, Dunnerdale with Seathwaite,
Egton with Newland, Embleton, Ennerdale and Kinniside, Eskdale,
Farlam, Fawcett Forest, Firbank,
Garsdale, Geltsdale, Gilcrux, Glassonby, Gosforth, Grayrigg, Great Clifton, Great Salkeld, Great Strickland, Greysouthen, Greystoke,
Haile, Hartley, Haverthwaite, Hawkshead, Hayton and Mealo, Hayton, Helbeck, Helsington, Hesketh, Hethersgill, Heversham, Hincaster, Hoff, Holme Abbey, Holme, Holme East Waver, Holme Low, Holme St Cuthbert, Hugill, Hunsonby, Hutton, Hutton Roof,
Ireby and Uldale, Irthington, Irton with Santon,
Kaber, Kentmere, Killington, Kings Meaburn, Kingmoor, Kingwater, Kirkandrews, Kirkbampton, Kirkbride, Kirkby Ireleth, Kirkby Lonsdale, Kirkby Stephen, Kirkby Thore, Kirklington Middle, Kirkoswald,

Lakes, Lambrigg, Lamplugh, Langwathby, Lazonby, Levens, Lindal and Marton, Little Clifton, Little Strickland, Long Marton, Longsleddale, Lorton, Lowca, Lower Allithwaite, Lower Holker, Loweswater, Lowick, Lowside Quarter, Lowther, Lupton,

Mallerstang, Mansergh, Mansriggs, Martindale, Matterdale, Meathop and Ulpha, Middleton, Midgeholme, Milburn, Millom Without, Milnthorpe, Moresby, Morland, Muncaster, Mungrisdale, Murton, Musgrave,

Nateby, Natland, Nether Denton, Nether Staveley, Nether Wasdale, New Hutton, Newbiggin, Newby, Nicholforest,

Old Hutton and Holmescales, Ormside, Orton (in the district of Carlisle), Orton (in the district of Eden), Osmotherley, Oughterside and Allerby, Ousby, Over Staveley,

Papcastle, Parton, Patterdale, Pennington, Plumbland, Ponsonby, Preston Patrick, Preston Richard,

Ravenstonedale, Rockcliffe,

Satterthwaite, Scaleby, Scalthwaite, Seascale, Sebergham, Sedbergh, Sedgwick, Setmurthy, Shap, Shap Rural, Silloth-on-Solway, Skelsmergh, Skelton, Skelwith, Sleagill, Sockbridge and Tirril, Solport, Soulby, St Bees, St Bridget Beckermeth, St Cuthbert Without, St Johns Castlerigg and Wythburn, Stainmore, Stainton, Stanwix Rural, Stapleton, Staveley in Cartmel, Strickland Ketel, Strickland Roger,

Tebay, Temple Sowerby, Threlkeld, Thrimby, Thursby, Torver,

Ulpha, Ulverston, Underbarrow and Bradleyfield, Underskiddaw, Upper Allithwaite, Upper Denton, Urswick,

Waberthwaite, Waitby, Walton, Warcop, Waterhead, Waverton, Weddicar, Westlinton, Westnewton, Westward, Wetheral, Wharton, Whicham, Whinell, Whitwell and Selside, Winscales, Winton, Witherslack, Woodside, Wythop,

Yanwath and Eamont Bridge.

PART III

GREATER MANCHESTER

Dunham,

Massey,

Ringway,

Warburton, Worthington.

PART IV

LANCASHIRE

Aighton, Bailey and Chaigley, Altham, Anglezarke, Arkholme with Cawood,

Balderstone, Barley with Wheatley Booth, Barnacre with Bonds, Barton, Bashall Eaves, Bickerstaffe, Billington, Bilsborrow, Bispham, Blackco, Bleasdale, Bolton by Bowland, Borwick, Bowland Forest High, Bowland Forest Low, Bowland with Leagram, Bracewell and Brogden, Bretherton, Brindle, Broughton, Burrow with Burrow,

Cantsfield, Caton with Littledale, Catteral, Charnock Richard, Chatburn, Chipping, Claughton (in the district of Wyre), Claughton (in the district of Lancaster), Cliviger, Cockerham, Croston, Cuerdale, Cuerden,

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Dalton, Dinckley, Downham, Down Holland, Dunnockshaw, Dutton,
Easington, Eccleshill, Ellel, Elswick,
Forton, Foulridge,
Gisburn, Gisburn Forest, Goldshaw Booth, Goosnarch, Great Altcar, Great Eccleston, Great Mitton, Greenhalgh with Thistleton, Gressingham, Grimsargh, Grindleton,
Haighton, Halsall, Halton with Aughton, Hambleton, Hapton, Heapey, Heath Charnock, Heaton with Oxcliffe, Heskin, Higham with West Close Booth, Hoghton, Hornby with Farleton, Horton, Hothersall, Hutton,
Ightenhill, Inskip with Sowerby, Ireby,
Kirkland,
Lathom, Leck, Little Hoole, Little Mitton, Little Eccleston with Larbreck, Longridge,
Mawdesley, Mearley, Melling with Wrayton, Mellor, Middleton, Middop, Much Hoole, Myerscough,
Nateby, Nether Kellet, Nether Wyersdale, Newburgh, Newsholme, Newton, Newton with Clifton, North Turton,
Old Laund Booth, Osbaldeston, Out Rawcliffe, Over Kellet, Over Wyresdale, Ovrerton,
Parbold, Paythorne, Pendleton, Pilling, Pleasington, Priest Hutton,
Quernmore,
Read, Ribby with Rea, Ribchester, Rimington, Rivington, Roeburndale, Roughlee Booth Rufford,
Sabden, Salisbury, Salterforth, Samlesbury, Sawley, Scarisbrick, Scotforth, Silverdale, Simonstone, Singleton, Slaidburn, Staining, Stalmine with Staynall,
Tatham, Thornley with Wheatley, Thurnham, Tockholes, Trawden Forest, Treales, Roseacre and Wharles, Tunstall, Twiston,
Ulnes Walton, Upper Rawcliffe with Tarnacre,
Waddington, Warton, Weeton with Preese, Wennington, West Bradford, Westby with Plumpton, Whalley, Wheelton, Whittingham, Whittington, Winmarleigh, Wiswell, Withnell, Woodplumpton, Worsthorpe with Hurstwood, Worston, Wray with Botton, Wrightington,
Yate and Pickup Bank, Yealand Coyners, Yealand Redmayne.

PART V

MERSEYSIDE

Bold,
Cronton,
Ince Blundell,
Sefton, Simonswood,
Tarbock.

SCHEDULE 2

Article 2(b)

DESIGNATED RURAL AREAS BY MAPS

PART I

CHESHIRE

The parishes of—

Appleton,
Bollington, Burtonwood,
Culcheth and Glazebury,
Davenham,
Haslington,
Lostock Gralam, Lymm,
Prestbury,
Walton, Willaston, Winsford, Wistaston.

The unparished area⁽⁵⁾ bounded by the parishes of Warmingham, Moston, Haslington, Crewe Green, Weston, Basford, Savington cum Gresty, Rope, Wistaston, Woolstanwood, Leighton and Minshall Vernon.

The unparished area of the county constituency of Ellesmere Port and Neston⁽⁶⁾ excluding the parishes of Ince, Elton, Hapsford, Thornton-le-Moors, Dunham-on-the-Hill, Wimbolds Trafford, Bridge Trafford, Stoke, Wervin, Picton, Mickle Trafford, Hoole Village, Crought, Caughall, Moston, Mollington, Saughall, Shotwick Park, Woodbank, Shotwick, Charlton-by-Beckford, Little Stanley, Backford, Lea-by-Backford, Capenhurst, Ledsham and Puddington.

The unparished area⁽⁷⁾ bounded by the parishes of Mottram St Andrew, Alderly Edge, Chorley, Mobberley and Ringway and by the borough constituencies of Cheadle⁽⁸⁾ and Manchester Wythenshaw⁽⁹⁾.

PART II

CUMBRIA

The parishes of—

Brampton,
Cleator Moor,
Dalton Town and Newton,
Egremont,
Maryport, Millom,

(5) Containing the settlement of Crewe.

(6) Designated a county constituency of Cheshire by S.I. [1983/417](#), to which there are amending instruments not relevant to this Order.

(7) Containing the settlement of Wilmslow.

(8) Designated a borough constituency of Greater Manchester by S.I. [1983/417](#). See also S.I. [1985/1776](#), [1986/597](#), [1987/462/937/2208/2209](#) and [1990/1307](#).

(9) Designated a borough constituency of Greater Manchester by S.I. [1983/417](#). See also S.I. [1985/1776](#), [1986/597](#), [1987/462/937/2208/2209](#) and [1990/1307](#).

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St John Beckermeth,
Workington.

The unparished area(10) bounded by the parishes of Askram and Ireleth, Dalton Town with Newton and Aldingham.

The unparished area(11) bounded by the parishes of Lazonby, Great Salkeld, Langwathby, Brougham, Yanwath and Eamont Bridge, Dacre, Catterlen and Hesket.

The unparished area(12) bounded by the parishes of Parton, Moresby, Weddicar and St Bees.

PART III

GREATER MANCHESTER

The parishes of—

Haigh,
Saddleworth,
Westhoughton.

The non parished area of the borough constituency of Bury North(13).

The unparished area of the county constituency of Littleborough and Saddleworth(14) excluding the parishes of Saddleworth and Shaw and Crompton.

PART IV

LANCASHIRE

The parishes of—

Anderton, Aughton,
Briercliffe, Brying with Warton, Burscough,
Cabus, Clayton-Le-Dale,
Euxton,
Farington, Freckleton,
Hesketh with Beconsall,
Lea, Longton,
Ramsgreave,
Tarleton,
Up Holland,
Whitworth.

The unparished area(15) bounded by the parishes of Trawden Forest, Reedley Hallows, Old Laund Booth, Barrowford, Blacko, Foulridge, Salterforth; the borough constituency of Burnley(16); and the parishes of Thornton in Craven and Lothersdale in North Yorkshire.

(10) Containing the settlement of Barrow in Furness.

(11) Containing the settlement of Penrith.

(12) Containing the settlement of Whitehaven.

(13) Designated a borough constituency by S.I. 1983/417, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(14) Designated a county constituency by S.I. 1983/417, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(15) Containing the settlement of Pendle.

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The unparished area(17) bounded by the parishes of Cliviger, Whitworth, North Turton, Yate and Pickup Bank, Hyndburn, Hapton, Dunnockshaw, Habergham Eaves; the borough constituency of Hyndburn(18); the parish of Todmorden in West Yorkshire; the county constituency of Heywood and Middleton(19) and the borough constituency of Bury North(20) in Greater Manchester.

The unparished area(21) bounded by the parishes of Latham, Newburgh, Dalton, Up Holland, Bickerstaffe, Aughton, Scarisbrick and Burscough.

The unparished area(22) bounded by the parishes of Cuerdale, Salmesbury, Hoghton, Brindle, Clayton-le-Woods, Cuerden, Farington, Penwortham; and the borough constituency of Preston(23).

PART V

MERSEYSIDE

The parishes of—

Knowsley,
Melling,
Rainford,
Thornton.

The unparished area(24) of the borough constituency of Crosby(25) bounded by the parishes of Little Altcar, Ince Blundell, Thornton and Sefton and by the borough constituency of Bootle(26).

The unparished area of the county constituency of Wirral South(27).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order designates the areas in the counties specified in Article 2 and the Schedules as rural areas for the purposes of section 17 of the Housing Act 1996 (the right to acquire) and section 1AA(3)(a) of the Leasehold Reform Act 1967 (additional right to enfranchise). The right of tenants of registered social landlords to acquire their homes under sections 16 and 17 of the 1996 Act and the right of tenants with long leases to enfranchise under section 1AA of the 1967 Act do not apply in respect of properties in areas which have been designated as rural areas. In the case of tenants with long leases,

(16) Designated a borough constituency by S.I. [1983/417](#); the relevant amending instrument is S.I. [1987/2208](#).

(17) Containing the settlements of Haslingden, Rawtenstall and Bacup.

(18) Designated a borough constituency by S.I. [1983/417](#); the relevant amending instrument is S.I. [1987/2208](#).

(19) Designated a county constituency by S.I. [1983/417](#).

(20) Designated a borough constituency by S.I. [1983/417](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(21) Containing the settlements of Ormskirk and Skelmersdale.

(22) Containing the settlement of Bamber Bridge.

(23) Designated a borough constituency by S.I. [1983/417](#); the relevant amending instrument is S.I. [1987/2208](#).

(24) Containing the settlement of Crosby.

(25) Designated a borough constituency by S.I. [1983/417](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(26) Designated a borough constituency by S.I. [1983/417](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(27) Designated a county constituency by S.I. [1983/417](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

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the additional conditions in section 1AA(3)(b) and (c) of the 1967 Act must be fulfilled before the right to enfranchise is excluded.

Those parishes in Schedule 1 are exempt in their entirety from the right to acquire and the additional right to enfranchise. Those parishes and the unparished areas in Schedule 2 contain areas which are exempt from the rights. The maps indicate which areas are excluded. The areas listed in article 2(c) are designated rural areas with the exception of the non-cross hatched areas shown on the maps. Prints of the maps may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of the Department of the Environment, Eland House, Bressenden Place, London SW1E 5DU.