STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999 No. 3023

EDUCATION, ENGLAND

The New Horizons Kent–Somerset Virtual Education Action Zone Order 1999

Made - - - - 4th November 1999
Laid before Parliament 10th November 1999
Coming into force - - 1st December 1999

Whereas an application for the purpose of establishing an education action zone has been made to the Secretary of State with the consent of the governing bodies of every school listed in Schedule 2 to this Order.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 10(1), 11 and 138(7) of, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to, the School Standards and Framework Act 1998(1), the Secretary of State for Education and Employment hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the New Horizons Kent–Somerset Virtual Education Action Zone Order 1999 and shall come into force on 1st December 1999.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"partners" means those persons listed in Schedule 1 to this Order; and

"zone school" means a school listed in Schedule 2 to this Order.

Constitution of education action zone

3. The schools listed in Schedule 2 to this Order shall constitute collectively an education action zone under the name of the New Horizons Kent–Somerset Virtual Education Action Zone ("the zone") for the purposes of Chapter III of Part I of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.

Education Action Forum

- **4.** There shall be an Education Action Forum for the zone to be known as the New Horizons Kent–Somerset Virtual Education Action Forum ("the Forum"), the membership of which shall include—
 - (a) one person appointed by the governing body of each zone school, unless any such governing body choose not to make such an appointment;
 - (b) either one or two persons appointed by the Secretary of State; and
 - (c) one person appointed by each partner, unless any partner chooses not to make such an appointment.
 - 5. The Forum may at any time appoint additional members as follows—
 - (a) up to three persons representing the interests of business;
 - (b) up to three parents of registered pupils attending zone schools; and
 - (c) up to three persons representing the interests of the education sector generally in the area served by the zone schools.

Disqualification for membership of the Forum

6. Articles 7 to 9 shall have effect for the purpose of prescribing the circumstances and cases in which a person is to be disqualified for holding, or continuing to hold, office as a member of the Forum.

Disqualification for membership of the Forum—bankruptcy etc

- 7.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this article, a person shall be disqualified for holding, or for continuing to hold, office as a member of the Forum if he has been adjudged bankrupt or has made a composition or arrangement with his creditors; and a member, on becoming so disqualified, shall give written notice of the fact to the secretary to the Forum.
- (2) Where a person is disqualified by reason of his having been adjudged bankrupt, that disqualification shall cease—
 - (a) unless the bankruptcy order made against that person is previously annulled, on his discharge from bankruptcy; and
 - (b) if the bankruptcy order is so annulled, on the date of the annulment.
- (3) Where a person is disqualified by reason of his having made a composition or arrangement with his creditors and he pays his debts in full, the disqualification shall cease on the date on which the payment is completed and in any other case it shall cease on the expiration of three years from the date on which the terms of the deed of composition or arrangement are fulfilled.

Disqualification for membership of the Forum—criminal convictions

- **8.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) a person shall be disqualified for holding, or for continuing to hold, office as a member of the Forum if—
 - (a) within five years before his appointment would otherwise have taken effect or since his appointment, he has been convicted, whether in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, of any offence and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months without the option of a fine;
 - (b) within twenty years before his appointment would otherwise have taken effect, he has been convicted as aforesaid and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment for a period of more than two and a half years; or

- (c) he has at any time been convicted as aforesaid and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment of not less than five years.
- (2) For the purposes of this article there shall be disregarded any conviction by or before a court outside the United Kingdom of an offence in respect of conduct which, if it had taken place in any part of the United Kingdom, would not have constituted an offence under the law in force in that part of the United Kingdom.

Disqualification—absence from meetings

9. Any member of the Forum who, without the consent of the Forum, has failed to attend the meetings thereof for a continuous period of six months beginning with the date of a meeting shall, on the expiry of that period, be disqualified for continuing to be a member of the Forum without prejudice however, to his re-appointment.

Chairman's tenure of office

10. The chairman of the Forum elected in accordance with paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, shall hold office for one year from the date of his election (unless he resigns his office earlier), without prejudice to his eligibility to be re-elected for a further such period.

Estelle Morris
Minister of State,
Department for Education and Employment

4th November 1999

SCHEDULE 1

Article 2

MEANING OF "PARTNERS"

The following persons are "partners" for the purposes of appointing members of the Forum:

The Education Committee of Kent County Council, Sessions House, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XQ

The Director of Education & Libraries for Kent County Council, Sessions House, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XQ

The Chairman of the Education Committee of Somerset County Council, County Hall, Taunton, Somerset TA1 4DY

The Corporate Director of Education for Somerset County Council, County Hall, Taunton, Somerset TA1 4DY

The Pro-Vice Chancellor of the University of Sussex, Sussex House, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9RH.

Whitecliff Properties, York House, 23 Kingsway, London WC2B 6UJ

(Company No. 3249898)

The Learning & Business Link Company, 26 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4AE (Company No. 2549292)

Kent Police Authority, Police Station, Pembury Road, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 2HS

West Kent Health Authority, Preston Hall, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7NJ

Careers Enterprise Ltd, Tonbridge Careers Centre, Landsdowne Mews, 196 High Street, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 1HQ (Company No. 3012462)

Somerset Training & Enterprise Council, The Business Centre, East Reach House, Taunton, Somerset TA1 3EN (Company No. 2396977)

The School of Education, University of Cambridge, 17 Trumpington Street, Cambridge CB2 1QA

The Gatsby Foundation, 4/7 Red Lion Court, London EC4A 3EB (Company No. 3289238)

Lombard IT Vendor Finance, The Twenty-One Building, 21–27 Pinner Road, Harrow, Middlesex HA1 4HQ (Company No. 3660593)

Pfizer Ltd., Sandwich, Kent CT13 9NJ (Company No. 526209)

Acer UK Ltd., Acer House, 1 London Road, Slough, Berkshire SL3 7RL

(Co. No. 2252821)

East Kent Community NHS Trust, Nunnery Fields Hospital, Nunnery Fields, Canterbury, Kent CT1 3LP

ICL, Observatory House, Windsor Road, Slough, Berkshire SL1 2EY (Company No. 96056)

Schools Outreach, 10 High Street, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire B61 8HQ

(Company No. 1144035) (Reg. Charity No. 516184)

Munro Training Services, 24 Kings Road, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 2HD

Canterbury Christ Church University College, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1QU

Learning Pathways Ltd., 14 Chester Court, Chester Park, Alfreton Road, Derby

DE21 4AS (Company No. 3300194)

SCHEDULE 2 Articles 2 and 3 SCHOOLS COMPRISING THE ZONE

School	Address	DfEE Number
Birchington CE Primary School	Park Lane, Birchington, Kent CT7 0AS	886 3178
Cage Green CP School	Cage Green Road, Tonbridge, Kent TN10 4PT	886 2661
The Cornwallis School (Secondary)	Hubbards Lane, Maidstone, Kent ME17 4HX	886 5402
Croscombe CEP School	Croscombe, Somerset BA5 3QL	933 3311
Dame Janet Junior School	Newington Road, Ramsgate, Kent CT12 6QY	886 2338
King Ethelbert School (Secondary)	Canterbury Road, Birchington, Kent CT7 9BL	886 4120
Headcorn Primary School	Kings Road, Headcorn, Kent TN27 9QT	886 2165
Hugh Christie Technology College (Secondary)	Norwich Avenue, Tonbridge, Kent TN10 4QL	886 5431
The Hereson School (Secondary)	Lillian Road, Ramsgate, Kent CT11 7DT	886 4123
Kingsmead Community School (Secondary)	Wiveliscombe, Somerset TA4 2NE	933 4355
Longmead CP School	Waveney Road, Tonbridge, Kent TN10 3JU	886 2662
Milverton CP School	Milverton, Taunton, Somerset TA4 1JP	933 2206
Newington Junior School	Ramsgate, Kent	886 5211
The Ramsgate School (Secondary)	Stirling Way, Ramsgate, Kent CT12 6NB	886 4189
Sandwich Junior School	St. Bart's Road, Sandwich, Kent CT13 0AS	886 2627
Sandwich Technology School (Secondary)	Dover Road, Sandwich, Kent CT13 0DA	886 5463
Sherwood Park CP School	Friars Way, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN2 3JJ	886 2649
St. Aldhelms CEP School	Doulting Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA4 4QL	933 3041
St. Matthews High Brooms CP School	Powder Mill Lane, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN4 9DY	886 3294

School	Address	DfEE Number
St. Saviour's CE Junior School	Elm Grove, Westgate-on-Sea, Kent CT8 8LD	886 3181
Tunbridge Wells High School	Blackhurst Lane, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN2 4PY	886 5427
Whitstone Community School (Secondary)	Charlton Road, Shepton Mallett, Somerset BA4 5PF	933 4282
Wiveliscombe CP School	Wiveliscombe, Taunton, Somerset TA4 2LA	933 2227
Worth CP School	The Street, Worth, Deal, Kent CT14 0DF	886 2327

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order establishes the New Horizons Kent–Somerset Virtual Education Action Zone, which comprises the schools listed in Schedule 2. The Order also provides (in articles 4 and 5) for the membership of the Education Action Forum for the zone.