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The Northumberland (Structural Change) Order 2008

PART 3

TRANSITIONAL FUNCTIONS AND THEIR DISCHARGE

Implementation Plan and further provisions relevant to discharge of functions by Implementation Executive

9.—(1) During the first transitional period, the Implementation Executive shall prepare, keep under review, and revise as necessary, an Implementation Plan which shall include—

- (a) such plans and timetables as the Implementation Executive considers necessary to secure the effective, efficient and timely discharge of the main transitional function and the article 7 functions; and
- (b) such budgets and plans as it considers necessary or desirable to facilitate the economic, effective, efficient and timely discharge of the Northumberland council's functions on or after 1st April 2009.
- (2) For the purposes of
 - (a) preparing, reviewing and revising the Implementation Plan,
 - (b) discharging the main transitional function and the article 7 functions, and
 - (c) discharging such other functions as may be conferred on it,

the Implementation Executive shall have regard to the information supplied by the Northumberland council to the Secretary of State in support of its proposal for single tier local government in Northumberland and, in particular, to the information supplied in relation to the matters specified in paragraphs 3.6 to 3.11 (strategic leadership, neighbourhood empowerment and value for money services) of the guidance "Invitations to councils in England", issued by the Secretary of State in October 2006(1).

- (3) The Implementation Executive may, by written notice to—
 - (a) the proper officer of the Northumberland council, or
 - (b) the proper officer of any of the district councils,

require the council referred to in the notice to take such action relevant to the main transitional function or any of the article 7 functions as may be specified in the notice.

(4) In paragraph (3), "the proper officer", means the officer appointed by the Northumberland council or the district council concerned (as the case may be) for the purpose of receiving such notices.

⁽¹⁾ The guidance was published by the Department for Communities and Local Government. Copies of the guidance may be obtained from Communities and Local Government Publications, PO Box 236, Wetherby, West Yorkshire, LS23 7NB, quoting Product Code 06 LGSRU 04198 (Tel: 08701 226 236; Email: Email: communities@twoten.com or online at www.communities.gov.uk).

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