

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order, which extends to the United Kingdom, prescribes certain powers of the Secretary of State to fix fees and charges for the purposes of section 17 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009. These powers are set out in the Schedule to the Order.

Section 14 of the Act provides for the Secretary of State to enter into agreements with the Marine Management Organisation, authorising it to perform certain functions on behalf of the Secretary of State. Section 17(3) lists functions which cannot be the subject of such agreements. Section 17(3)(e) provides that powers to fix fees and charges are non-delegable functions unless they are prescribed by the Secretary of State.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.