2017 No. 574

SENIOR COURTS OF ENGLAND AND WALES

COUNTY COURT, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Civil Courts (Amendment) Order 2017

Made - - - - 18th April 2017

Laid before Parliament 20th April 2017

Coming into force in accordance with article 1

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 99(1) of the Senior Courts Act 1981(a), having consulted the Lord Chief Justice in accordance with that section, makes the following Order.

Commencement and citation

- **1.** This Order may be cited as the Civil Courts (Amendment) Order 2017 and shall come into force for the purposes—
 - (a) of the amendment made by article 2(2)(a)(i), on 12th May 2017;
 - (b) of the amendments made by article 2(2)(a)(ii) and (iii), on 2nd June 2017;
 - (c) of the amendment made by article 2(2)(a)(iv), on 30th June 2017;
 - (d) of the amendment made by article 2(2)(a)(v), on 14th July 2017;
 - (e) of the amendments made by article 2(2)(b), on 12th May 2017; and
 - (f) of the amendment made by article 2(2)(c), on 7th July 2017.

Amendments to the 2014 Order

- **2.**—(1) The Civil Courts Order 2014(**b**) is amended as follows.
- (2) In the Schedule—
 - (a) omit the following places specified in the first column—
 - (i) Llangefni;
 - (ii) Bolton;
 - (iii) Bury;
 - (iv) Kendal; and
 - (v) Oldham;

⁽a) 1981 c. 54. Section 99 was amended by the Constitutional Reform Act 2005 (c.4), section 15(1) and Schedule 4, Part 1, paragraphs 114 and 143(1), (2) and (3).

⁽b) S.I. 2014/819, which has been amended by S.I. 2016/974 and S.I. 2016/1068.

- (b) on the date that this Order comes into force for the purposes of each of the amendments in paragraphs (i) to (v) respectively, omit the County Court hearing centres named in the second column corresponding to those places listed in sub-paragraph (a); and
- (c) in the second column, omit the reference to the Kettering County Court hearing centre.

Oliver Heald Minister of State Ministry of Justice

18th April 2017

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Civil Courts Order 2014 (SI 2014/819), which specifies the locations and names of the district registries of the High Court in England and Wales.

The amendments—

- remove references to those places which are served by district registries which will close on the respective dates that these amendments come into force;
- remove references to those corresponding County Court hearing centres which determine the district served by a district registry and which will also close on the above mentioned dates; and
- remove the reference to the Kettering County Court hearing centre which will close on the date that the relevant amendment comes into force.

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