



Water Act 1983

1983 CHAPTER 23

An Act to make provision as to the constitution and procedure of water authorities and their borrowing and other powers and as to arrangements for the carrying out of their sewerage functions; to enable water authorities and statutory water companies to provide advice and assistance outside the United Kingdom; to provide for the dissolution of the National Water Council and the Water Space Amenity Commission; and to repeal the Water Charges Equalisation Act 1977; and for connected purposes. [9th May 1983]

Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Commencement Information

II Act partly in force at Royal Assent, see [s.11\(3\)](#).

Constitution and procedure of water authorities

1 Constitution and procedure of water authorities.

(1) ^{F1}

[^{F2}(2) In Part II of Schedule 1 to the ^{M1}House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (bodies of which all members are disqualified), the following entries are inserted at the appropriate places—

“A regional water authority established in accordance with section 2 of the Water Act 1973”;

“The Welsh Water Authority”.]

(3) ^{F3}

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Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 1(1) repealed by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 27 Pt. I** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 41(1), 57(6), 58)
- F2** S. 1(2) repealed (*prosp.*) by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), ss. 190, 194(4), **Sch. 27 Pt. II** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 41(1), 57(6), **58**)
- F3** S. 1(3) repealed by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 27 Pt. I** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 41(1), 57(6), 58)

Marginal Citations

- M1** 1975 c. 24.

Borrowing powers

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Textual Amendments

- F4** S. 2 repealed by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 27 Pt. I** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 41(1), 57(6), 58)

Dissolution of National Water Council and Water Space Amenity Commission

3 Dissolution of National Water Council and Water Space Amenity Commission.

- (1) On such day as the Secretary of State may by order appoint, the functions of the National Water Council shall determine and all the property, rights and liabilities which immediately before the day so appointed were property, rights and liabilities of the Council shall, by virtue of this section, become property, rights and liabilities of the Secretary of State for the Environment.
- (2) On such day as the Secretary of State may by order appoint, the functions of the Water Space Amenity Commission shall determine.
- (3) This section has effect subject to Schedule 2 to this Act which makes further provision in relation to the Council and Commission, including provision for their dissolution.
- (4) The Secretary of State may by order transfer to any authority, or to any person who in his opinion acts or will act on behalf of one or more authorities—
 - (a) such of the property, rights and liabilities of the Council, or
 - (b) in the case of an order having effect after the day appointed under subsection (1) above, such of the property, rights and liabilities vested in him by virtue of that subsection,
 as he considers expedient.
- (5) In subsection (4) above “authority” means—
 - (a) a water authority,
 - ^{F5}(b)

- (c) a regional or islands council,
- (d) a river purification board, or
- (e) a water development board.

Textual Amendments

F5 S. 3(5)(b) omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of [Deregulation Act 2015 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 115(3)(r), [Sch. 23 para. 28\(2\)\(a\)](#)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Power of appointment conferred by s. 3(1) fully exercised: 1.10.1983 appointed by [S.I. 1983/1235](#)
- C2** Power of appointment conferred by s. 3(2) fully exercised: 1.10.1983 appointed by [S.I. 1983/1174](#)

4 Expenses of Secretary of State occasioned by section 3.

- (1) Any sums received by the Secretary of State by virtue of the transfer of property, rights and liabilities effected by section 3 of this Act shall be paid by him into the Consolidated Fund.
- (2) The Secretary of State may levy from water authorities such contributions (which need not be the same for each authority) as appear to him, when taken together, necessary to meet the net expenses incurred by him—
 - (a) in discharging any liabilities to which he becomes subject by virtue of section 3 of this Act, or
 - (b) otherwise in connection with the dissolution of the National Water Council and Water Space Amenity Commission.
- (3) In subsection (2) above “net expenses” means the amount of the expenses in question reduced by the amount paid by the Secretary of State into the Consolidated Fund in accordance with subsection (1) above.
- (4) Any sums received by the Secretary of State by way of levy under subsection (2) above shall be paid by him into the Consolidated Fund.

Miscellaneous

5—7. **F6**

Textual Amendments

F6 Ss. 5–7 repealed by [Water Act 1989 \(c. 15, SIF 130\)](#), s. 190, [Sch. 27 Pt. I](#) (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 193(1), [Sch. 26 paras. 3\(1\)\(2\), 17, 40\(4\), 41\(1\), 57\(6\), 58](#))

8 Repeal of Water Charges Equalisation Act 1977.

- (1) The ^{M2}Water Charges Equalisation Act 1977 shall cease to have effect.
- (2) If the Secretary of State is satisfied—

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- (a) that, had the Act of 1977 not ceased to have effect, he would have been required to make adjustments under section 3(3) of that Act on making the next orders under sections 1 and 2, and
 - (b) that it is expedient to make provision in lieu of those adjustments,
- he shall comply with subsection (3) below in relation to every statutory water undertaker as respects which such an adjustment would, in his opinion, have been so required.
- (3) Where the Secretary of State is required to comply with this subsection in relation to any statutory water undertaker, he shall—
- (a) in a case where the adjustment would have been by way of a reduction in the equalisation levy payable by, or an increase in the equalisation payment payable to, the undertaker, pay to that undertaker out of money provided by Parliament the appropriate amount, or
 - (b) in any other case, by order direct that undertaker to pay to him the appropriate amount.
- (4) In subsection (3) above “appropriate amount” means an amount equal to the adjustment which, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, would have been required under section 3(3) in the case of the undertaker in question.
- (5) No order shall be made under subsection (3) above unless a draft of the order has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, the House of Commons.
- (6) Any sums received by the Secretary of State under this section shall be paid by him into the Consolidated Fund.

Marginal Citations

M2 1977 c. 41.

Supplemental

9 Orders and regulations.

- (1) Any power of the Secretary of State to make an order or regulations under this Act shall be exercisable by statutory instrument which, except in the case of an order under section 3(1) or (2), 8(3) or 11(5) of this Act or paragraphs 3(2) or 10(2) of Schedule 2 to this Act, shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (2) Any order or regulations under this Act may make different provision for different cases or descriptions of case, including different provision for different areas, and may contain such incidental or supplemental provision as the Secretary of State thinks fit.

10 Interpretation.

—In this Act—

“appointed day” means, in relation to the Council or, as the case may be, Commission, the day appointed under section 3 of this Act in relation to that body.

“Commission” means the Water Space Amenity Commission,

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“Council” means the National Water Council.
“principal Act” means the ^{M3}Water Act 1973,
“river purification board” means a board established under section 135 of the ^{M4}Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973,
^{F7}... and
“water development board” has the meaning given by section 109(1) of the ^{M5}Water (Scotland) Act 1980.

Textual Amendments

F7 Words in s. 10 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of [Deregulation Act 2015 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 115(3)(r), [Sch. 23 para. 28\(2\)\(b\)](#)

Marginal Citations

M3 1973 c. 37.
M4 1973 c. 65.
M5 1980 c. 45.

11 Short title and commencement, etc.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Water Act 1983.
- (2) Schedule 4 to this Act (which makes minor and consequential amendments) shall have effect.
- (3) The enactments and instruments specified in Schedule 5 to this Act are hereby repealed or, as the case may be, revoked to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule.
- (4) The following provisions of this Act—
 - (a) sections 2 to 6;
 - (b) sections 9 and 10;
 - (c) this section, except subsections (2) and (3);
 - (d) Schedule 2;
 - (e) Schedule 3;
 - (f) paragraphs 8 and 9 of Schedule 4 and subsection (2) of this section so far as relating to those paragraphs; and
 - (g) the revocation by Schedule 5 of the ^{M6}Water Authorities and National Water Council (Limit on Borrowing) Order 1982 and subsection (3) of this section so far as relating to that revocation;shall come into force on the passing of this Act.
- (5) The remaining provisions of this Act shall come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order appoint; and different days may be appointed for different purposes.
- (6) An order under subsection (5) above appointing a day for the commencement of section 1 of this Act may make provision for the existing members of water authorities, other than the chairmen, to vacate office before that day; but no such provision shall be taken as preventing the reappointment of any such person under the provisions substituted by that section.

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(7) The following provisions of this Act—

- (a) section 1(2);
- (b) section 3(1) and (3) to (5);
- (c) this section;
- (d) Part I of Schedule 2;

extend to Scotland and Northern Ireland and any repeal by Schedule 5 to this Act of an enactment which extends to Scotland or Northern Ireland has the same extent as that enactment, but otherwise this Act extends to England and Wales only.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C3 Power of appointment conferred by s. 11(5) partly exercised: [S.I. 1983/1173](#), 1234

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M6 [S.I. 1982/944](#).

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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

F8
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Textual Amendments

F8 Schs. 1, 3 repealed by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 27 Pt. I** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 41(1), 57(6), 58)

SCHEDULE 2

Section 3(3)

PROVISIONS RELATING TO DISSOLUTION OF NATIONAL WATER COUNCIL AND WATER SPACE AMENITY COMMISSION

PART I

NATIONAL WATER COUNCIL

General duty of Council

- 1 It shall be the duty of the Council to give to the Secretary of State all such information, to prepare all such documents and to do all such other things, as appear to him to be necessary or expedient for facilitating the carrying into effect of section 3 of this Act and this Schedule and for enabling him to exercise any function conferred or imposed on him by, or by virtue of, that section or this Schedule.

Final accounts and reports

- 2 (1) The Council shall (if they have not done so before the appointed day)—
- (a) comply with paragraph 38 of Schedule 3 to the principle Act (statement of accounts) in relation to the last accounting year before the appointed day, and
 - (b) comply with paragraph 40 of that Schedule (annual reports) in relation to that year,
- and shall also comply with those paragraphs in respect of the interval (if any) between the end of that accounting year and the appointed day, that interval being treated for the purposes of those paragraphs and of paragraphs 39 to 39G of Schedule 3 as an accounting year in relation to the Council.
- (2) The Secretary of State shall lay before each House of Parliament a copy of—
- (a) any statement of accounts, and any report, sent to him by the Council in compliance with this paragraph, and

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- (b) any report made by the auditors on the statement or on the accounts to which it relates.

Continuance of Council until residual functions completed to Secretary of State's satisfaction

- 3 (1) No amendment or repeal made by this Act shall affect—
- (a) the continuance of the Council for the purposes of paragraphs 1 or 2 above or their powers and duties under those paragraphs, or
 - (b) the continued operation for those purposes of the provisions of the principal Act relating to the constitution and proceedings of the Council.
- (2) The Council shall cease to exist when the Secretary of State, being satisfied that their duties under paragraphs 1 and 2 above have been discharged, so directs by order.
- (3) Section 3(1) of this Act does not affect the continuance of employment with the Council, but on the Council ceasing to exist—
- (a) any contract of employment with the Council then in force shall cease to have effect, except as regards rights previously accrued and liabilities previously incurred, and
 - (b) subject to any provision made under paragraph 6(1)(b) or 8(1) below, any rights and liabilities of the Council then existing shall by virtue of this paragraph become rights and liabilities of the Secretary of State.
- (4) The Secretary of State shall pay to the appointed members of the Council (within the meaning of paragraph 27(2) of Schedule 3 to the principal Act), in respect of the period beginning with the appointed day and ending with the Council ceasing to exist, such remuneration (whether by way of salary or fees) and such allowances as, with the approval of the Treasury, he may determine.
- (5) The Secretary of State shall, as soon as possible after determining the amount of any remuneration or allowances payable under subparagraph (4) above, lay a statement of his determination before each House of Parliament.
- (6) As from the appointed day, the Secretary of State shall make available to the Council such facilities as the Council or their auditors may reasonably require for performing duties imposed on them by or by virtue of paragraphs 1 and 2 above; and the remuneration of the auditors and any other expenses incurred by the Council in connection with the performance of those duties on and after the appointed day shall be defrayed by the Secretary of State out of money provided by Parliament.

Modification of agreements and documents

- 4 (1) Subject to subparagraph (3) below, every agreement, other than a contract of employment or an agreement under section 26(2) of the principal Act, to which the Council are a party immediately before the appointed day, whether in writing or not and whether or not of such a nature that rights and liabilities under the agreement could be assigned by the Council, shall have effect as from that date as if—
- (a) the Secretary of State had been a party to the agreement, and
 - (b) for any reference to the Council there were substituted, as respects anything falling to be done on or after the appointed day, a reference to the Secretary of State.
- (2) Other documents (not being enactments) which refer to the Council shall be construed in accordance with subparagraph (1) above so far as applicable.

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- (3) An order under section 3(4) of this Act which transfers any property, rights of liabilities may contain consequential provision for the construction of references in—
- (a) agreements (other than contracts of employment) to which the Council are a party at the date of the order or, in a case of an order made after the appointed day, were a party immediately before the appointed day, and
 - (b) other documents (not being enactments) which refer to the Council.

Legal remedies and pending proceedings

- 5 (1) Where any right or liability is transferred by virtue of any provision of this Act, the transferee and all other persons shall have the same rights, powers and remedies (and, in particular, the same rights as to the taking or resisting of legal proceedings) for ascertaining, perfecting or enforcing that right or liability as they would have had if it had at all times been a right or liability of the transferee.
- (2) Any pending legal proceedings by or against the Council which relate to any property, right or liability so transferred may be continued by or against the transferee.
- (3) Any reference in subparagraph (1) or (2) above to legal proceedings shall be construed as including a reference to any application to an authority, and any reference to the taking or resisting of legal proceedings shall be construed accordingly.

Superannuation

- 6 (1) The Secretary of State may, with the consent of the Treasury, make regulations providing for—
- (a) the payment by such water authority as may be designated by the regulations (the “pension authority”) of pensions, allowances or gratuities to or in respect of persons who have been members of the Council;
 - (b) the transfer to the pension authority of such pension liabilities of the Council as may be specified in the regulations.
- (2) The regulations shall provide for the recovery by the pension authority from each of the other water authorities of such proportion of the cost incurred by the pension authority in discharging their functions under the regulations as the Secretary of State may from time to time determine.
- (3) The proportions determined by the Secretary of State need not be the same for each water authority.
- (4) In subparagraph (1) above “pension liabilities” means any liability in connection with the payment of pensions, allowances or gratuities imposed on or assumed by the Council and includes the liability to make any payment by way of an increase in a pension.
- 7 (1) The classes of person in whose interests water authorities may exercise their powers under section 27(1) of the principal Act (power to establish and administer pension schemes etc.) shall include—
- (a) persons who have been employed by the Council, and
 - (b) persons who are or have been employed in such other appropriate employment as the Secretary of State may by order prescribe.

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- (2) No scheme shall be established by a water authority under section 27(1) of the principal Act, and no variation of any scheme established by a water authority under that section shall be effected, without the consent in writing of the Secretary of State.
- (3) In subparagraph (1) above “appropriate employment” means employment in respect of which it would, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, be appropriate for provision to be made under section 27 of the principal Act.

Compensation

- 8 (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations transfer to such water authority as may be designated by the regulations (“the compensation authority”) the liabilities of the Council relating to—
 - (a) the payment of benefits or compensation in respect of early retirement or for loss of employment, or
 - ^{F9}(b)
- (2) The regulations may provide for the exercise by the compensation authority of such of the functions of the Council which immediately before the passing of this Act were functions relating to compensation in respect of early retirement or for loss of employment as may be specified in the regulations.
- (3) The regulations may provide for the recovery by the compensation authority from each of the other water authorities of such proportion of the cost incurred by the compensation authority in consequence of the regulations as the Secretary of State may from time to time determine.
- (4) The proportions determined by the Secretary of State need not be the same for each water authority.

Textual Amendments

F9 Sch. 2 Pt. I, para. 8(1)(b) repealed (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 18, ss. 242, 243, Sch. 3 Pt. I (with ss. 191-195, 202)

PART II

WATER SPACE AMENITY COMMISSION

Final reports

- 9 (1) The Commission shall comply with paragraph 40 of Schedule 3 to the principal Act (annual reports) in relation to the period between the end of the period to which their last annual report relates and the appointed day.
- (2) The Secretary of State shall lay before each House of Parliament a copy of any annual report sent to him by the Commission in compliance with this paragraph.

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Continuance of Commission until residual functions completed to Secretary of State's satisfaction

- 10 (1) No amendment or repeal made by this Act shall affect—
 - (a) the continuance of the Commission for the purpose of paragraph 9 above or their duty under that paragraph, or
 - (b) the continued operation for those purposes of the provisions of the principal Act relating to the constitution of the Commission.
- (2) The Commission shall cease to exist when the Secretary of State, being satisfied that their duty under paragraph 9 above has been discharged, so directs by order.
- (3) The Secretary of State shall pay to members of the Commission, other than the chairmen of water authorities, in respect of the period beginning with the appointed day and ending with the Commission ceasing to exist, such allowances as he may with the consent of the Treasury determine.
- (4) The Secretary of State shall, as soon as possible after determining the amount of any allowances payable under subparagraph (3) above, lay a statement of his determination before each House of Parliament.
- (5) As from the appointed day, the Secretary of State shall make available to the Commission such facilities as the Commission may reasonably require for performing the duty imposed on them by paragraph 9 above; and any expenses incurred by the Commission in connection with the performance of that duty on and after the appointed day shall be defrayed by the Secretary of State out of money provided by Parliament.

SCHEDULE 3

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Textual Amendments

F10 Schs. 1, 3 repealed by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 27 Pt. I** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 41(1), 57(6), 58)

SCHEDULE 4

Section 11(2).

MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

1—4. F11

Textual Amendments

F11 Sch. 4 paras. 1–4 repealed by Water Act 1989 (c.15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 27 Pt. I** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 41(1), 57(6), 58)

5, 6. F12

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Textual Amendments

F12 Sch. 4 paras. 5–6 repealed (1.12.1991) by [Water Consolidation \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1991](#) (c. 60, SIF 130), ss. 3, 4(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (with s. 2, Sch. 2 paras. 10, 14(1), 15)

Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65)

- 7 In section 25(3) of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (allowances in relation to meetings etc. of water authorities) for the words from the beginning to “(3B)” there are substituted the words “ The following subsection shall be inserted after section 175(3) of the said Act of 1972:— “(3B)” .”

Transitional provisions

- 8 The repeals contained in Schedule 5 below shall not affect the operation of paragraph 31(1) and (2) of Schedule 3 to the principal Act in relation to any period before the day appointed for the purposes of section 3(1) of this Act.
- 9 In any case where—
- (a) the Treasury have given a guarantee under paragraph 36(1) of Schedule 3 to the principal Act in respect of any sum borrowed by the Council; and
 - (b) any liability of the Council relating to repayment of the principal of, or payment of interest on, the sum so borrowed (or any part of that sum) has become a liability of one or more water authorities, whether by virtue of an order under section 3(4) of this Act or otherwise;
- paragraph 36(1) of Schedule 3 shall have effect as if it empowered the Treasury to give a new guarantee in respect of that liability.

SCHEDULE 5

Section 11(3).

REPEALS AND REVOCATIONS

PART 1

ENACTMENTS REPEALED

Chapter	Short title	Extent of repeal
1960 c. 67.	The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.	In the Schedule, paragraph 1(c)
1961 c. 64.	The Public Health Act 1961.	In section 9(3), the words from “(including” to the end.
1972 c. 70.	The Local Government Act 1972.	Section 175(3A). Section 177(1)(aa)
1973 c. 37.	The Water Act 1973.	Section 4.

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In section 5(3), the words from “but before” to the end.

Section 6.

In section 17(5), the words “under section 6 above”.

Section 23.

In section 24(12)(a), the words “and to the Water Space Amenity Commission”.

Section 25(5)(a)

In section 26, subsections (2) to (4).

In section 29(2), the words “and after consultation with the Council”.

In section 30(6), the words “after consultation with the Council”.

In section 38(1), the definitions of “the Council”, “regional water board” and “water development board”.

In Schedule 3, paragraphs 22 to 30; in paragraph 31(1), the words from “and including” to the end; in paragraph 31(2), the words “and of any payment to the Council under paragraph 33 below”; in paragraph 32(1), the words “and after consultation with the Council”; paragraph 33; in paragraphs 34, 39F(1), 40(1) and 41, the words “and the Council”, wherever they occur; in paragraphs 34(6) and 40(6), the words “or of the Council”; in paragraphs 35(2) and 39E(1), the words “or to the Council”; in paragraphs 36, 38(5) and (6), 39(1), 39E(1)(b) and 39F(1)(a), the words “or the Council”, wherever they occur; in paragraph 36(4), the words “or, as the case may be,

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		the Council”; in paragraph 38(1), the words “and of the Council”; paragraph 39F(2); in paragraph 40(1), paragraph (b) and the word “and” immediately preceding it; in paragraph 40(3) the words “to the Council and”, subparagraphs (4) and (5) and in subparagraph (8) the words from “the Council” to “Commission”.
		In Schedule 8, paragraph 90.
1973 c. 65.	The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.	In Schedule 17, paragraph 64.
1974 c. 37.	The Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974.	In section 66(4), the words from “(including” to the end.
		In Schedule 6, paragraph 8.
1975 c. 24.	The House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975.	In Part III of Schedule 1, the entries relating to the National Water Council, a regional water authority and the Welsh Water Authority.
1976 c. 70.	The Land Drainage Act 1976.	In Schedule 5, in paragraph 8(1), the words “section 4(5) (a) and (b)”.
1976 c. 75.	The Development of Rural Wales Act 1976.	In Schedule 7, paragraph 11.
1977 c. 41.	The Water Charges Equalisation Act 1977.	The whole Act.
1980 c. 45.	The Water (Scotland) Act 1980.	In Schedule 10, the entry relating to the Water Act 1973.
1980 c. 65.	The Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980.	Section 25(4).
		In section 158, subsections (1) and (2).
1981 c. 64.	The New Towns Act 1981.	In Schedule 12, paragraph 12.

PART II

INSTRUMENTS REVOKED

Number	Name of Instrument	Extent of revocation
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S.I. 1973 1287	The North West Water Authority Constitution Order 1973.	Article 4. Schedule 2.
S.I. 1973 1288.	The Northumbrian Water Authority Constitution Order 1973.	Article 4. Schedule 1.
S.I. 1973 1289	The Yorkshire Water Authority Constitution Order 1973.	Article 4. Schedule 1.
S.I. 1973 1306	The Wessex Water Authority Constitution Order 1973.	Article 4. Schedule 2.
S.I. 1973 1307	The South West Water Authority Constitution Order 1973.	Article 4. Schedule 2.
S.I. 1973 1345	The Welsh National Water Development Authority (Establishment and Constitution) Order 1973.	Article 4. Article 5. Schedule 2.
S.I. 1973 1359	The Anglian Water Authority Constitution Order 1973.	Article 4. Schedule 2.
S.I. 1973 1360	The Thames Water Authority Constitution Order 1973.	Article 4. Schedule 2.
S.I. 1973 1361	The Southern Water Authority Constitution Order 1973.	Article 4. Schedule 2.
S.I. 1973 1437	The SevernTrent Water Authority Constitution Order 1973.	Article 4. Schedule 2.
S.I. 1974 1208	The SevernTrent Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1974.	The whole Order.

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S.I. 1974 2077	The Thames Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1974.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1977 724	The Welsh National Water Development Authority (Establishment and Constitution) (Variation) Order 1977	The whole Order.
S.I. 1979 466	The Anglian Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1979 467	The Northumbrian Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1979 468	The North West Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1979 469	The SevernTrent Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1979 470	The Southern Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1979 471	The South West Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1979 472	The Thames Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1979 473	The Wessex Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1979 474	The Yorkshire Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1981 1883	The Welsh Water Authority (Constitution) (Variation) Order 1981.	The whole Order.
S.I. 1982 944	The Water Authorities and National Water Council (Limit for Borrowing) Order 1982.	The whole Order.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Water Act 1983.