
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 1284

NEW TOWNS

**The Harlow Development Corporation (Transfer of Property
and Dissolution) Order 1980**

Made - - - - 22nd August 1980

Coming into Operation 1st October 1980

The Secretary of State for the Environment (hereinafter called “the Secretary of State”), being satisfied after consultation with the councils of every county and every district in which the whole or any part of the area of the new town of Harlow is situated, that the purposes for which the Harlow Development Corporation is established under the New Towns Act 1965 (a) (hereinafter called “the Act”) have been substantially achieved, hereby, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 41 and 53 of and Schedule 10 to the Act and now vested in him (b), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, makes the following order:—

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Harlow Development Corporation (Transfer of Property and Dissolution) Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1980.

(2) In this order—

“the Commission” means the Commission for the New Towns; and

“the Corporation” means the Harlow Development Corporation.

2. On 1st October 1980 (hereinafter called “the transfer date”)—

(a) there shall vest in the Commission all the property of the Corporation, and

(b) the Corporation shall cease to act except for the purpose of preparing and submitting to the Secretary of State its final accounts and report in accordance with the provisions of section 46 of the Act, and taking such other steps as may be required to wind up its affairs.

3. In the application of section 46 of the Act and any directions under that section to the preparation of the Corporation’s final accounts and report in pursuance of article 2 above, the expression “financial year” shall be construed as a reference to the period beginning on 1st April 1980 and ending on 30th September 1980, and the expression “annual accounts” shall be construed as referring to accounts for that period.

(a) 1965 c. 59.

(b) S.I. 1970/1681.

4. For the purpose of ensuring the satisfactory discharge of the functions remaining to the Corporation after the transfer date, the Commission shall provide the Corporation with all necessary facilities including, in particular, access to any books, papers or documents which immediately before the transfer date were the property of the Corporation.

5. Any property received by the Corporation on or after the transfer date shall be transferred by the Corporation to the Commission.

6. A period of ten years commencing on the transfer date is hereby specified as the period for which, by virtue of paragraph 3(4) of Schedule 10 to the Act, section 8 of the Act (which relates to the provision of highways) and, so far as they have effect for the purposes of the section, the other provisions of the Act, shall continue to have effect in relation to the area designated as the site of the new town of Harlow.

7. The Corporation shall be dissolved on a date appointed by the Secretary of State under this order.

Signed by authority of
the Secretary of State
22nd August 1980.

A. R. Atherton,
An Under Secretary in the
Department of the Environment.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, made by the Secretary of State for the Environment under section 41 of the New Towns Act 1965, transfers all the property of the Harlow Development Corporation to the Commission for the New Towns on 1st October 1980 and provides for the winding up of the affairs of the Corporation and its subsequent dissolution on a date appointed by the Secretary of State.

By virtue of paragraph 1 of Schedule 10 to the Act, all property, rights, liabilities and obligations of the Corporation are transferred by the order, and the Commission stands in the place of the Corporation for the purpose of every agreement to which the latter was a party immediately before the transfer date (whether or not of such a nature that rights, liabilities and obligations thereunder could be assigned by the Corporation), unless the terms or subject matter of the agreement make it impossible for the Commission to be substituted.