

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 1685

PENSIONS

WAR PENSIONS

**The War Pensions Committees (Revocation and Reconstitution)
Order 1980***Made - - - - 5th November 1980**Laid before Parliament 13th November 1980**Coming into Operation 1st January 1981*

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of powers conferred by section 1(1) and (7) of the War Pensions Act 1921(a), and now vested in him(b) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the War Pensions Committees (Revocation and Reconstitution) Order 1980, and shall come into operation on 1st January 1981.

Schemes for establishing War Pensions Committees

2. There is hereby made for each area specified in column 2 of Schedule 1 to this Order a Scheme in the form set out in Schedule 2 to this Order (subject to Article 3 below) to establish for that area a War Pensions Committee which shall be known by the name indicated in column 1 of the said Schedule 1.

The Scheme relating to Northern Ireland

3. In the case of the Northern Ireland War Pensions Committee, the form of Scheme set out in Schedule 2 to this Order shall be modified in the following respects:—

For paragraph (c) of Article 2 (number and constitution of Committee) there shall be substituted:—

“(c) 5 representatives of the District Councils whose districts are situated within the area for which the Committee is established; and”.

In Article 3 the words “paragraphs (a), (b), (d) and (e) of” shall be omitted.

(a) 1921 c. 49.

(b) See Transfer of Functions (Ministry of Pensions) Order 1953 (S.I. 1953/1198), article 2; Ministry of Social Security Act 1966 (c. 20), section 2; and Secretary of State for Social Services Order 1968 (S.I. 1968/1699), article 2.

Revocation

4. The War Pensions Committees (Revocation and Reconstitution) Order 1975(a) is hereby revoked.

Patrick Jenkin,
Secretary of State for
Social Services.

5th November 1980.

Article 2

SCHEDULE 1

Name of War Pensions Committee	Area for which War Pensions Committee established	Local Authority and number of Representatives thereof	
(1)	(2)	(3)	
1. Avon War Pensions Committee.	The County of Avon.	Local Authority	Number of Representatives
		Avon County Council	5
2. Barking, Havering, Newham and Redbridge War Pensions Committee.	The London Boroughs of Barking, Havering, Newham and Redbridge.	Barking London Borough Council	1
		Havering London Borough Council	1
		Newham London Borough Council	1
		Redbridge London Borough Council	2
3. Barnet, Enfield and Haringey War Pensions Committee.	The London Boroughs of Barnet, Enfield and Haringey.	Barnet London Borough Council	1
		Enfield London Borough Council	2
		Haringey London Borough Council	2
4. Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham.	Barnsley Borough Council	2
		Doncaster Borough Council	1
		Rotherham Borough Council	2
5. Bedfordshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Bedfordshire.	Bedfordshire County Council	5
6. Berkshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Berkshire.	Berkshire County Council	5

(a) S.I. 1975/1697.

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(1)	(2)	(3)	
		Local Authority	Number of Representatives
7. Bexley, Greenwich and Lewisham War Pensions Committee.	The London Boroughs of Bexley, Greenwich and Lewisham.	Bexley London Borough Council	1
		Greenwich London Borough Council	2
		Lewisham London Borough Council	2
8. Birmingham and Sutton Coldfield War Pensions Committee.	The City of Birmingham and the Royal Borough of Sutton Coldfield.	Birmingham City Council	4
		Council of the Royal Borough of Sutton Coldfield	1
9. Bolton and Wigan War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Bolton and Wigan.	Bolton Borough Council	2
		Wigan Borough Council	3
10. Borders and Lothian War Pensions Committee.	The Borders and Lothian regions.	Borders Regional Council	2
		Lothian Regional Council	3
11. Bradford and Leeds War Pensions Committee.	The Cities of Bradford and Leeds.	Bradford City Council	2
		Leeds City Council	3
12. Brent, Camden and Harrow War Pensions Committee.	The London Boroughs of Brent, Camden and Harrow.	Brent London Borough Council	2
		Camden London Borough Council	1
		Harrow London Borough Council	2
13. Bromley, Croydon and Sutton War Pensions Committee.	The London Boroughs of Bromley, Croydon and Sutton.	Bromley London Borough Council	2
		Croydon London Borough Council	2
		Sutton London Borough Council	1
14. Buckinghamshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Buckinghamshire.	Buckinghamshire County Council	5
15. Bury, Oldham and Rochdale War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Bury, Oldham and Rochdale.	Bury Borough Council	1
		Oldham Borough Council	2
		Rochdale Borough Council	2
16. Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield War Pensions Committee.	The City of Wakefield and the Boroughs of Calderdale and Kirklees.	Wakefield City Council	2
		Calderdale Borough Council	1
		Kirklees Borough Council	2
17. Cambridgeshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Cambridgeshire.	Cambridgeshire County Council	5
18. Central and Tayside War Pensions Committee.	The Central and Tayside regions.	Central Regional Council	2
		Tayside Regional Council	3

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(1)	(2)	(3)	
		Local Authority	Number of Representatives
19. Cheshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Cheshire excepting the Borough of Macclesfield.	Cheshire County Council	5
20. Cleveland and Durham War Pensions Committee.	The Counties of Cleveland and Durham.	Cleveland County Council	3
		Durham County Council	2
21. Clwyd and Gwynedd War Pensions Committee.	The Counties of Clwyd and Gwynedd.	Clwyd County Council	3
		Gwynedd County Council	2
22. Cornwall and Isles of Scilly War Pensions Committee.	The County of Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.	Cornwall County Council	4
		Isles of Scilly Council	1
23. Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Warwickshire	Warwickshire County Council	2
	The City of Coventry and the Borough of Solihull.	Coventry City Council	2
		Solihull Borough Council	1
24. Cumbria War Pensions Committee.	The County of Cumbria excepting the Borough of Barrow-in-Furness and, in the Borough of Copeland, the Town of Millom and the Parishes of Millom Without, Ulpha and Whicham and, in the District of South Lakeland, the Town of Grange-over-Sands and the Parishes of Aldingham, Allithwaite Lower, Allithwaite Upper, Blawith and Subberthwaite, Broughton East, Broughton West and Angerton, Cartmel Fell, Claife, Colton, Coniston, Dunnerdale-with-Seathwaite, Egton-with-Newland, Haverthwaite, Hawkshead, Holker Lower, Kirby Ireleth, Lowick, Mansriggs and Osmotherley, Pennington, Satterthwaite, Skelwith, Staveley, Torver, Ulverston and Urswick.	Cumbria County Council	5

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25. Derbyshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Derbyshire excepting the Borough of High Peak other than the Parishes of Aston, Banford, Brough and Shatton, Castleton, Derwent Edale, Hope, Hope Woodlands and Thornhill.	Derbyshire County Council	5
26. Devon War Pensions Committee.	The County of Devon.	Devon County Council	5
27. Dorset War Pensions Committee.	The County of Dorset.	Dorset County Council	5
28. Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton.	Dudley Borough Council Sandwell Borough Council Walsall Borough Council Wolverhampton Borough Council	1 1 1 2
29. Dyfed and West Glamorgan War Pensions Committee.	The Counties of Dyfed and West Glamorgan.	Dyfed County Council West Glamorgan County Council	2 3
30. Ealing and Hillingdon War Pensions Committee.	The London Boroughs of Ealing and Hillingdon.	Ealing London Borough Council Hillingdon London Borough Council	3 2
31. East Sussex War Pensions Committee.	The County of East Sussex.	East Sussex County Council	5
32. Essex, North, War Pensions Committee.	The Borough of Colchester and the Districts of Braintree, Chelmsford, Maldon, Tendring and Uttlesford.	Essex County Council	5
33. Essex, South, War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Southend-on-Sea and Thurrock and the Districts of Basildon, Brentwood, Castle Point, Epping Forest, Harlow and Rochford.	Essex County Council	5
34. Fife War Pensions Committee.	The Fife Region.	Fife Regional Council	5
35. Gateshead and South Tyneside War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Gateshead and South Tyneside.	Gateshead Borough Council South Tyneside Borough Council	2 3
36. Gloucestershire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Gloucestershire.	Gloucestershire County Council	5
37. Grampian War Pensions Committee.	The Grampian Region.	Grampian Regional Council	5

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38. Gwent and Powys War Pensions Committee.	The Counties of Gwent and Powys.	Gwent County Council	3
		Powys County Council	2
39. Hackney, Islington, Tower Hamlets and Waltham Forest War Pensions Committee.	The London Boroughs of Hackney, Islington, Tower Hamlets and Waltham Forest.	Hackney London Borough Council	1
		Islington London Borough Council	1
		Tower Hamlets London Borough Council	1
		Waltham Forest London Borough Council	2
40. Hammersmith, Hounslow and Richmond War Pensions Committee.	The London Boroughs of Hammersmith, Hounslow and Richmond upon Thames.	Hammersmith London Borough Council	2
		Hounslow London Borough Council	2
		Richmond upon Thames London Borough Council	1
41. Hampshire and Isle of Wight War Pensions Committee.	The Counties of Hampshire and Isle of Wight.	Hampshire County Council	4
		Isle of Wight County Council	1
42. Hereford and Worcester War Pensions Committee.	The County of Hereford and Worcester.	Hereford and Worcester County Council	5
43. Hertfordshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Hertfordshire.	Hertfordshire County Council	5
44. Highland and Islands War Pensions Committee.	The Highland Region and the islands areas of Orkney, Shetland and the Western Isles.	Highland Regional Council	2
		Orkney Islands Council	1
		Shetland Islands Council	1
		Western Isles Islands Council	1
45. Humberside War Pensions Committee.	The County of Humberside.	Humberside County Council	5
46. Kensington and Chelsea and the Cities of London and Westminster War Pensions Committee.	The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea and the Cities of London and Westminster.	Council of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea	2
		City of London Common Council	1
		City of Westminster Council	2
47. Kent, East, War Pensions Committee.	The City of Canterbury, the Borough of Ashford and the Districts of Dover, Shepway, Swale and Thanet.	Kent County Council	5

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(1)	(2)	(3)	
48. Kent, West, War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Gillingham, Gravesham, Maidstone, Medway and Tunbridge Wells and the Districts of Dartford, Sevenoaks and Tonbridge and Malling.	Kent County Council	5
49. Kingston and Merton War Pensions Committee.	The Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames and the London Borough of Merton.	Council of the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames	2
		Merton London Borough Council	3
50. Knowsley, Sefton and St. Helens War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Knowsley, Sefton and St. Helens.	Knowsley Borough Council	1
		Sefton Borough Council	3
		St. Helens Borough Council	1
51. Lambeth, Southwark and Wandsworth War Pensions Committee.	The London Boroughs of Lambeth, Southwark and Wandsworth.	Lambeth London Borough Council	1
		Southwark London Borough Council	2
		Wandsworth London Borough Council	2
52. Lancashire, East, War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Blackburn, Burnley, Hyndburn, Ribble Valley and Rossendale and the District of Pendle.	Lancashire County Council	5
53. Lancashire, North, War Pensions Committee.	The City of Lancaster and those parts of the County of Cumbria excepted from the area specified in paragraph 24 of this Schedule.	Lancashire County Council	3
		Cumbria County Council	2
54. Lancashire, South, War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Blackpool, Chorley, Fylde, Preston, South Ribble and Wyre and the District of West Lancashire.	Lancashire County Council	5
55. Leicestershire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Leicestershire.	Leicestershire County Council	5
56. Lincolnshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Lincolnshire.	Lincolnshire County Council	5
57. Liverpool and Wirral War Pensions Committee.	The City of Liverpool and the Borough of Wirral.	Liverpool City Council	3
		Wirral Borough Council	2
58. Manchester War Pensions Committee.	The City of Manchester.	Manchester City Council	5

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59. Mid Glamorgan War Pensions Committee.	The County of Mid Glamorgan.	Mid Glamorgan County Council	5
60. Newcastle and North Tyneside War Pensions Committee.	The City of Newcastle upon Tyne and the Borough of North Tyneside.	Newcastle upon Tyne City Council	2
		North Tyneside Borough Council	3
61. Norfolk War Pensions Committee.	The County of Norfolk.	Norfolk County Council	5
62. Northern Ireland War Pensions Committee.	Northern Ireland.	—	
63. North Yorkshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of North Yorkshire.	North Yorkshire County Council	5
64. Northamptonshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Northamptonshire.	Northamptonshire County Council	5
65. Northumberland War Pensions Committee.	The County of Northumberland.	Northumberland County Council	5
66. Nottinghamshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Nottinghamshire.	Nottinghamshire County Council	5
67. Oxfordshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Oxfordshire.	Oxfordshire County Council	5
68. Salford and Trafford War Pensions Committee.	The City of Salford and the Borough of Trafford.	Salford City Council	3
		Trafford Borough Council	2
69. Shropshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Shropshire.	Shropshire County Council	5
70. Sheffield War Pensions Committee.	The City of Sheffield.	Sheffield City Council	5
71. Somerset War Pensions Committee.	The County of Somerset.	Somerset County Council	5
72. South Glamorgan War Pensions Committee.	The County of South Glamorgan.	South Glamorgan County Council	5
73. Staffordshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Staffordshire.	Staffordshire County Council	5
74. Stockport, Tameside, Macclesfield and High Peak War Pensions Committee.	The Boroughs of Stockport, Tameside and Macclesfield and the Borough of High Peak excepting the parishes set forth in the area specified in paragraph 25 of this Schedule.	Stockport Borough Council	2
		Tameside Borough Council	1
		Cheshire County Council	1
		Derbyshire County Council	1

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75. Strathclyde, North, War Pensions Committee.	The Districts of Argyle and Bute, Dumbarton, City of Glasgow, Clydebank, Bearsden and Milngavie, Strathkelvin, Cumbernauld and Kilsyth, Eastwood, Renfrew and Inverclyde.	Strathclyde Regional Council	5
76. Strathclyde, South, Dumfries and Galloway War Pensions Committee.	The Districts of Monklands, Motherwell, Hamilton, East Kilbride, Lanark, Cunninghame, Kilmar-nock and Loudoun, Kyle and Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley in the Strathclyde Region, and the Dumfries and Galloway Region.	Strathclyde Regional Council	3
		Dumfries and Galloway Regional Council	2
77. Suffolk War Pensions Committee.	The County of Suffolk.	Suffolk County Council	5
78. Sunderland War Pensions Committee.	The Borough of Sunderland.	Sunderland Borough Council	5
79. Surrey War Pensions Committee.	The County of Surrey.	Surrey County Council	5
80. West Sussex War Pensions Committee.	The County of West Sussex.	West Sussex County Council	5
81. Wiltshire War Pensions Committee.	The County of Wiltshire.	Wiltshire County Council	5

*Article 2***SCHEDULE 2**
FORM OF SCHEME*Establishment and area of Committee*

1. As from and including 1st January 1981 a War Pensions Committee shall be established for the area, being an area specified in column 2 of Schedule 1 to the War Pensions Committees (Revocation and Reconstitution) Order 1980(a).

Number and constitution of Committee

2. The Committee shall consist of not more than 25 members (of whom not less than 4 shall be women) and shall include:—

- (a) 5 representatives of disabled men who have been discharged from the naval, military or air service of His Majesty during the war; and
- (b) 1 representative of women who are in receipt of pensions as the widows or dependants of men in the said naval, military or air service who have died from causes arising out of service during the war; and
- (c) 5 representatives of the Local Authority or Authorities (being Authorities whose districts are situated wholly or partly within the area for which the Committee is established) specified in relation to that area in column 3 of the said Schedule 1, the number of representatives of each such Local Authority to be the number specified in relation to that Authority in the said column 3; and
- (d) 6 representatives of employers and workmen in industry in equal numbers; and
- (e) 5 representatives of voluntary associations engaged in the care of ex-servicemen and their families in the area.

3. The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Secretary of State, who shall consult such bodies or organisations in the area representing any of the interests referred to in paragraphs (a), (b), (d) and (e) of Article 2 of this Scheme as he may think desirable.

Period of Office

4. Subject to the provisions of Article 5 of this Scheme, each member of the Committee shall hold office until 31st December 1985, unless he gives previous written notice of resignation to the Secretary of State.

Conditions of removal from Office

5. A member of the Committee may be removed from office by the Secretary of State, if he thinks fit, under the following conditions:—

- (a) if such a member is absent from meetings of the Committee for more than 12 months consecutively, except in case of illness or for some other reason approved by the Secretary of State, or is in the opinion of the Secretary of State habitually absent from such meetings; or
- (b) if he is convicted either on indictment or summarily of any crime and is either sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine or receives a suspended sentence, and in either case has not received a free pardon; or
- (c) if he is adjudged bankrupt or makes a composition with his creditors; or
- (d) if the Secretary of State is satisfied, on representations made to him, that it is desirable, with a view to securing the proper discharge of the Committee's functions, that such member should cease to hold office.

Casual vacancies

6. A casual vacancy caused by the death, resignation or removal from office of a member of the Committee or otherwise may be filled by the Secretary of State as may be necessary.

Interpretation

7. In this Scheme the expression "the war" means the war referred to in the War Pensions Act 1921.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order revokes the War Pensions Committees (Revocation and Reconstitution) Order 1975 which established War Pensions Committees for each of the areas specified in Schedule 2 to that Order until 31st December 1980, and reconstitutes those Committees with minor amendments until 31st December 1985. The amendments referred to are, in Schedule 1, the substitution of a new Committee (item 8), the insertion of a new Committee (item 23), and the omission of a Committee (after item 79). Apart from that the Committees for each area remain the same as before, and the Scheme under which they operate also remains the same as before except for two amendments to the conditions of removal from office of any Committee members (Schedule 2, paragraph 5). The condition relating to absence from office is now fulfilled where the period of absence is more than 12 months, and the condition relating to sentencing includes a suspended sentence (paragraph 5(a) and (b)).

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