
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1985 No. 323

NEW TOWNS

**The Skelmersdale Development Corporation (Transfer of
Property and Dissolution) Order 1985**

Made - - - - - 5th March 1985
Coming into Operation 2nd April 1985

The Secretary of State for the Environment, being satisfied, after consultation with the council of every county and of every district in which the whole or any part of the area of the new town of Skelmersdale is situated, that the purposes for which the Skelmersdale Development Corporation is established under the New Towns Act 1981(a) have been substantially achieved, in exercise of powers conferred on him by section 41 of and paragraphs 2 and 3 of Schedule 10 to the Act and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

1.— (1) This order may be cited as the Skelmersdale Development Corporation (Transfer of Property and Dissolution) Order 1985 and shall come into operation on 2nd April 1985.

(2) In this order—

“the Act” means the New Towns Act 1981;

“the Corporation” means the Skelmersdale Development Corporation;
and

“the transfer date” means 2nd April 1985.

2. The Secretary of State for the Environment hereby directs that on the transfer date—

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

(b) the Corporation shall cease to act except for the purposes of carrying out its functions under sections 67, 68 and 70 of the Act (accounts of development corporation, audit and report) and taking such other steps as are necessary to wind up its affairs.

3. For the purpose of ensuring the satisfactory discharge of the functions remaining to the Corporation on and after the transfer date, the Commission

(a) 1981 c.64.

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.

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

5. 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 11 of the Act (which relates to the acquisition of land for 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 Skelmersdale.

6. The Secretary of State for the Environment hereby directs that the Corporation shall be dissolved on 30th June 1985.

Signed by authority of
the Secretary of State

5th March 1985.

D. C. L. Wroe,
An Under Secretary in the
Department of the Environment.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the order.)

This order provides for the transfer of all the property of the Skelmersdale Development Corporation to the Commission for the New Towns on 2nd April 1985 (article 2(a)) and for the winding up of the affairs of the Corporation (articles 2(b), 3 and 4) and its subsequent dissolution on 30th June 1985 (article 6). The order also provides for section 11 of the New Towns Act 1981 (which enables the Secretary of State and highway authorities to acquire land for highways) and related provisions of that Act to continue to have effect in relation to the new town of Skelmersdale for a period of 10 years (article 5).

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