

1999 No. 3396

EDUCATION, ENGLAND

**The Epicentre LEAP Ellesmere Port Cheshire Education
Action Zone Order 1999**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>15th December 1999</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>20th December 1999</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>		<i>10th January 2000</i>

Whereas an application for the purpose of establishing an education action zone has been made to the Secretary of State with the consent of the governing bodies of every school listed in Schedule 2 to this Order.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 10(1), 11 and 138(7) of, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to, the School Standards and Framework Act 1998^(a), the Secretary of State for Education and Employment hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Epicentre LEAP Ellesmere Port Cheshire Education Action Zone Order 1999 and shall come into force on 10th January 2000.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“partners” means those persons listed in Schedule 1 to this Order; and

“zone school” means a school listed in Schedule 2 to this Order.

Constitution of education action zone

3. The schools listed in Schedule 2 to this Order shall constitute collectively an education action zone under the name of the Epicentre LEAP Education Action Zone (“the zone”) for the purposes of Chapter III of Part I of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.

Education Action Forum

4. There shall be an Education Action Forum for the zone to be known as the Epicentre LEAP Education Action Forum (“the Forum”), the membership of which shall include—

- (a) one person appointed by the governing body of each zone school, unless any such governing body choose not to make such an appointment;
- (b) either one or two persons appointed by the Secretary of State; and
- (c) up to six persons appointed by each partner, unless any partner chooses not to make such an appointment.

5. The Forum may at any time appoint additional members as follows—
- (a) up to six persons representing the interests of business in Cheshire;
 - (b) up to six parents of registered pupils attending zone schools; and
 - (c) up to six persons representing the interests of the education sector generally in the area served by the zone schools.

Disqualification for membership of the Forum

6. Articles 7 to 9 shall have effect for the purpose of prescribing the circumstances and cases in which a person is to be disqualified for holding, or continuing to hold, office as a member of the Forum.

Disqualification for membership of the Forum—bankruptcy etc.

7.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this article, a person shall be disqualified for holding, or for continuing to hold, office as a member of the Forum if he has been adjudged bankrupt or has made a composition or arrangement with his creditors; and a member, on becoming so disqualified, shall give written notice of the fact to the secretary to the Forum.

(2) Where a person is disqualified by reason of his having been adjudged bankrupt, that disqualification shall cease—

- (a) unless the bankruptcy order made against that person is previously annulled, on his discharge from bankruptcy; and
- (b) if the bankruptcy order is so annulled, on the date of the annulment.

(3) Where a person is disqualified by reason of his having made a composition or arrangement with his creditors and he pays his debts in full, the disqualification shall cease on the date on which the payment is completed and in any other case it shall cease on the expiration of three years from the date on which the terms of the deed of composition or arrangement are fulfilled.

Disqualification for membership of the Forum—criminal convictions

8.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) a person shall be disqualified for holding, or for continuing to hold, office as a member of the Forum if—

- (a) within five years before his appointment would otherwise have taken effect or since his appointment, he has been convicted, whether in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, of any offence and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months without the option of a fine;
- (b) within twenty years before his appointment would otherwise have taken effect, he has been convicted as aforesaid and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment for a period of more than two and a half years; or
- (c) he has at any time been convicted as aforesaid and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment of not less than five years.

(2) For the purposes of this article there shall be disregarded any conviction by or before a court outside the United Kingdom of an offence in respect of conduct which, if it had taken place in any part of the United Kingdom, would not have constituted an offence under the law in force in that part of the United Kingdom.

Disqualification—absence from meetings

9. Any member of the Forum who, without the consent of the Forum, has failed to attend the meetings thereof for a continuous period of six months beginning with the date of a meeting shall, on the expiry of that period, be disqualified for continuing to be a member of the Forum without prejudice however, to his re-appointment.

Chairman's tenure of office

10. The chairman of the Forum elected in accordance with paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, shall hold office for one year from the date of his election (unless he resigns his office earlier), without prejudice to his eligibility to be re-elected for a further such period.

Estelle Morris
Minister of State,

15th December 1999

Department for Education and Employment

SCHEDULE 1

Article 2

MEANING OF “PARTNERS”

The following persons are “partners” for the purposes of appointing members of the Forum:

Cheshire County Council

Ellesmere Port and Neston Borough Council

SCHEDULE 2

Articles 2 and 3

SCHOOLS COMPRISING THE ZONE

School	DfEE No.	Address
Atherton Nursery and Infant School	2259	Regent Street, Ellesmere Port CH65 8HL
Brookside Primary School	2732	Bebington Road, Great Sutton CH66 4RU
Cambridge Road Community Primary School	2235	Cambridge Road, Ellesmere Port CH65 4AQ
Ellesmere Port Catholic High School	4611	Capenhurst Lane, Whitby CH65 7AQ
John Street Primary School	2239	John Street, Ellesmere Port CH65 2ED
Mansfield Primary School	2703	Appleton Drive, Whitby CH65 7EP
Our Lady’s Catholic Infant School	3554	Windsor Drive, Whitby CH65 6SH
Our Lady’s Catholic Junior School	3553	Capenhurst Lane, Ellesmere Port CH65 7AQ
Parklands Community Primary School	2721	Parklands, Little Sutton CH66 3RL
Pooltown Community Junior School	2244	Pooltown Road, Ellesmere Port CH65 7ED
Pius XII Catholic Primary School	3558	Rossall Grove, Little Sutton CH66 1NN
Rivacre Valley Primary School	2725	Rivacre Brow, Overpool CH66 1LE
St Bernard’s Catholic Primary	3556	Sherbourne Road, Wolverham CH65 9HE
Stanlaw Abbey Primary School	2343	Alnwick Drive, South Wirral CH64 9NE
Stanney Grange Community Primary School	2707	Rochester Drive, Ellesmere Port CH65 9EX
Stanney High School	4154	Stanney Lane, Ellesmere Port CH65 9DB
Sutton High School	4161	Woodchurch Lane, Ellesmere Port CH66 3NG
William Stockton Primary	2237	Heathfield Road, South Wirral CH65 8DH
Wolverham Primary School	2242	Milton Road, Ellesmere Port CH65 5AT

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order establishes the Epicentre LEAP Education Action Zone, which comprises the schools listed in Schedule 2. The Order also provides (in articles 4 and 5) for the membership of the Education Action Forum for the zone.

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