EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Part 1 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 provides, amongst other matters, for regional spatial strategies relating to the development and use of land within each of the regions, except London, specified in Schedule 1 to the Regional Development Agencies Act 1998.

Section 12(2) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 enables the Secretary of State by order to direct that if the area covered by a National Park falls within more than one region it is treated as falling wholly within one of them.

This Order directs that the New Forest National Park is treated as falling wholly within the South East region.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.