
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2008 No. 493

The County Durham (Structural Change) Order 2008

PART 2

**ESTABLISHMENT OF SINGLE TIER LOCAL
GOVERNMENT IN COUNTY DURHAM**

Single tier local government in County Durham

3.—(1) On and after 1st April 2009 the County Durham council shall be the sole principal authority for County Durham.

(2) For the purposes of enactments relating to local government, there shall be a new district, whose area shall be co-terminous with that of County Durham; and the name of that new district shall be County Durham.

Abolition of districts and winding up and dissolution of district councils

4. On 1st April 2009—

(a) the following local government areas shall be abolished—

- (i) the borough of Sedgefield,
- (ii) the city of Durham,
- (iii) the district of Chester-Le-Street,
- (iv) the district of Derwentside,
- (v) the district of Easington,
- (vi) the district of Teesdale, and
- (vii) the district of Wear Valley; and

(b) the following councils shall be wound up and dissolved—

- (i) Sedgefield Borough Council,
- (ii) Durham City Council,
- (iii) Chester-Le-Street District Council,
- (iv) Derwentside District Council,
- (v) Easington District Council,
- (vi) Teesdale District Council, and
- (vii) Wear Valley District Council.

Cessation of term of office of district councillors

5. Every person who holds office as a councillor of one of the district councils immediately before 1st April 2009 shall cease to hold office on that date.