
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes provision for the abolition, under powers conferred by the Public Bodies Act 2011 (“the 2011 Act”), of two bodies listed in Schedule 1 to that Act – the Crown Court Rule Committee and the Magistrates’ Courts Rule Committee – together with provision for the transfer to the Lord Chief Justice of the rule-making functions of the Crown Court Rule Committee and for amendments to other legislation consequential on the abolition of the two bodies and transfer of the Crown Court Rule Committee’s functions.

Article 1 provides for the Order’s title, the date of commencement and its extent.

Article 2 abolishes the Crown Court Rule Committee and transfers its rule-making function to the Lord Chief Justice (who already has the function of making various other rules including Magistrates’ Courts Rules); and it introduces *Schedule 1* (which makes the necessary consequential amendments to other legislation), and repeals the entry for the Crown Court Rule Committee in Schedule 1 to the 2011 Act.

Article 3 abolishes the Magistrates’ Courts Rule Committee; and it introduces *Schedule 2* (which makes amendments to other legislation consequential on that abolition), and repeals the entry for the Magistrates’ Courts Rule Committee in Schedule 1 to the 2011 Act.