EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force certain provisions of the Charities Act 2011 for the purposes of specified exempt charities in the further education sector. These are Saint David's Catholic College, further education corporations generally, and charities connected to them. The provisions correspond to provisions in the Charities Act 1993 and the Charities Act 2006 which were consolidated in the 2011 Act. All of the 2011 Act came into force on 14 March 2012. As the 1993 and 2006 Act provisions had not been brought into force before that date (except in relation to previously specified categories of exempt charity), the 2011 Act provisions were subject to transitory modifications until the "relevant commencement date".

Commencing these provisions brings the Charity Commission's powers to regulate the specified exempt charities into line with their powers in relation to other exempt charities for which a principal regulator has been appointed. In relation to exempt charities for which no principal regulator has been appointed, the Charity Commission's regulatory powers are more restricted.