

SCHEDULE

TRANSITIONAL AND SAVING PROVISIONS

PART 5

Petitions

Petitions not received by the Secretary of State before the relevant date

9.—(1) This paragraph applies in relation to any petition under section 11 of the 1997 Act as regards which the condition set out in sub-paragraph (2) is met; and which was not received by the Secretary of State before the relevant date.

(2) The condition mentioned in sub-paragraph (1) is that before the relevant date—

- (a) the council which received the petition was under a duty by virtue of section 11(1) of the 1997 Act to send the petition to the Secretary of State; or
- (b) the council had decided to send the petition to the Secretary of State in accordance with section 11(3) of that Act.

(3) With the exception of section 80(3) to (8), Part 4 of the Act shall apply in relation to the petition as if it were a valid community governance petition under section 80 of the Act.