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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2009 No. 119**

**The Local Government (Structural Changes)  
(Areas and Membership of Public Bodies  
in Bedfordshire and Cheshire) Order 2009**

**PART 1**

**PRELIMINARY**

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Local Government (Structural Changes) (Areas and Membership of Public Bodies in Bedfordshire and Cheshire) Order 2009 and subject to paragraph (2) comes into force on 1st April 2009.

(2) This article, articles 8 and 9 and Schedules 1 and 2 come into force on the day after the day on which this Order is made.

(3) In this Order—

“the 1992 Act” means the Local Government Finance Act 1992(1);

“Bedfordshire Fire Order” means the Bedfordshire Fire Services (Combination Scheme) Order 1996(2);

“Cheshire Fire Order” means the Cheshire Fire Services (Combination Scheme) Order 1997(3);

“Police Regulations” means the Police Authority Regulations 2008(4);

“shadow council” means an authority (not being a local authority) which will become a local authority on 1 April 2009 by virtue of an order under section 7 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007; and

“transitional period” means the period beginning on the date on which articles 8 and 9 and the Schedules to this Order come into force in accordance with paragraph (2), and ending immediately before 1 April 2009.

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(1) 1992 c.14.  
(2) S.I. 1996/2918.  
(3) S.I. 1997/2697.  
(4) S.I. 2008/630.