GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY ACT 1999

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SUMMARY

- 3. The Act establishes the Greater London Authority (GLA), and provides for elections for the Mayor of London and the London Assembly. It establishes the financial arrangements for the Authority and sets out terms and conditions of service for the Mayor and the members of the Assembly.
- 4. The Act defines the Mayor's and Assembly's powers and functions. It establishes Transport for London (TfL). It amends the Regional Development Agencies Act 1998 with respect to the London Development Agency (LDA) which was established by that Act. It establishes the Metropolitan Police Authority (MPA), and it reconstitutes the London Fire and Civil Defence Authority as the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority (LFEPA). In the Act, these new bodies and authorities are referred to as 'functional bodies'. The Act also defines the GLA's planning, environmental and cultural responsibilities.
- 5. In the Act, 'Greater London' means the London Boroughs, the City of London, and the Inner and the Middle Temple, in accordance with section 2(1) of the London Government Act 1963.