
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2008 No. 634

The Cheshire (Structural Changes) Order 2008

PART 2

ESTABLISHMENT OF SINGLE TIER LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CHESHIRE

Single tier local government in West Cheshire

4.—(1) A new non-metropolitan county and a new non-metropolitan district, each to be known as Cheshire West and Chester, shall be constituted comprising (in each case) the area of the West Cheshire districts.

(2) A new district council, to be known as the Cheshire West and Chester Council, shall be established as the sole principal authority for the non-metropolitan district of Cheshire West and Chester.

(3) Except for the purposes of Part 4 of this Order (electoral matters), until 1st April 2009—

- (a) the Cheshire West and Chester Council shall not be a local authority for the purposes of the 1972 Act or any other enactment relating to local government; and
- (b) subsection (2) of section 2 of the 1972 Act (constitution of principal councils in England) shall have effect in relation to that Council as if the words from “and the council” to the end of that subsection were omitted.

(4) In relation to the county of Cheshire West and Chester, section 2(1) of the 1972 Act (which provides that every county shall have a council) shall not apply.

(5) On 1st April 2009—

- (a) the West Cheshire districts shall be abolished as local government areas; and
- (b) the West Cheshire councils shall be wound up and dissolved.