## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2012 No. 1277

## The Local Justice Areas Order 2012

### **Citation and Commencement**

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Local Justice Areas Order 2012.
- (2) This Order comes into force on 12th June 2012 for the purposes of Part 1 of the Schedule to this Order.
  - (3) For all other purposes, this Order comes into force on 1st January 2013.

## Interpretation

- **2.**—(1) In this Order—
  - "existing area" means a local justice area as it exists immediately before 1st January 2013;
  - "new area" means a local justice area constituted by this Order.
- (2) Any reference to a justice for an area is to be construed as a reference to a justice of the peace who ordinarily acts, or as the case may be, will on or after 1st January 2013, ordinarily act, in and for that area.

### **New Areas**

- **3.**—(1) The existing areas of Halton and Warrington are combined to become a new area named North Cheshire.
- (2) The existing areas of North Durham and South Durham are combined to become a new area named County Durham and Darlington.

### Amendment to the Local Justice Areas Order 2005

- 4. The Schedule to the Local Justice Areas Order 2005(1) is amended as follows—
  - (a) omit "Halton" and "Warrington";
  - (b) after "North Cambridgeshire" insert "North Cheshire";
  - (c) omit "North Durham" and "South Durham";
  - (d) after "Cornwall" insert "County Durham and Darlington".

## The Schedule

**5.** The provisions set out in the Schedule to this Order have effect.

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor

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