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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2022 No. 331**

**The Cumbria (Structural Changes) Order 2022**

**PART 2**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF SINGLE TIER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CUMBRIA**

**Single tier of local government in Cumberland**

**3.—**(1) A new non-metropolitan county and a new non-metropolitan district, each to be known as Cumberland, are constituted comprising (in each case) the area of the Cumberland districts.

(2) A new district council, to be known as Cumberland Council, is established as the sole principal authority for the non-metropolitan district of Cumberland.

(3) Except for the purposes of Part 4 of this Order (electoral matters), until 1st April 2023—

- (a) Cumberland Council, is not a local authority for the purposes of the 1972 Act or for any other enactment relating to local government; and
- (b) subsection (2) of section 2 of the 1972 Act (constitution of principal councils in England) has 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 Cumberland, section 2(1) of the 1972 Act (which provides that every county shall have a council) does not apply.

(5) On 1st April 2023—

- (a) the Cumberland districts are abolished as local government areas; and
- (b) the Cumberland councils are wound up and dissolved.