EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Local Government Act 1972 as amended by The Local Government (Wales) Act 1994 retains the former 8 County Council areas as "Preserved Counties" with, in some cases, modified boundaries. These operate for limited purposes concerning such matters as Lord Lieutenants and Sheriffs.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales reported in its 'Review of Preserved County Boundaries' (dated November 2002) and recommended 3 changes to the existing Preserved County boundaries, one in North Wales and the others in South Wales. This Order gives effect to those recommendations without modification.

The Preserved County boundary in North Wales between Gwynedd and Clwyd is modified to include the whole of Conwy within the Preserved County of Clwyd.

The Preserved County boundaries in South Wales between Mid Glamorgan and Gwent and Mid Glamorgan and South Glamorgan are modified as follows.

The boundary between Mid Glamorgan and Gwent is modified to include the whole of Caerphilly within the preserved County of Gwent.

The Preserved County boundary between Mid Glamorgan and South Glamorgan is modified to reflect changes made by Order to the boundary between the County Borough of Rhondda Cynon Taff and the County Borough of The Vale of Glamorgan in the area of Llanharry and Penllyn (The Rhondda Cynon Taff and Vale of Glamorgan (Llanharry, Pont-y-clun, Penllyn, Welsh St Donats and Pendoylan) Order 2002 S.I.No. 654 (W.70)) which came into force on 6th April 2002.