EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force further provisions of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 ("the 2005 Act") in relation to Wales.

Article 2 of this Order brings into force on 18 January 2008 the following provisions of the 2005 Act:

- (a) paragraphs 5 to 7 of Schedule 4 to the 2005 Act which make minor textual amendments to the Environmental Protection Act 1990 ("the 1990 Act");
- (b) paragraph 8 of Schedule 4 to the 2005 Act which amends section 95(1)(c) of the 1990 Act so that the public register of orders and notices, which local authorities are required by section 95 of the 1990 Act to maintain, includes copies of all orders which are made under paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 3A to the 1990 Act in relation to the designation of land for the purposes of regulating the free distribution of printed matter;
- (c) paragraph 9 of Schedule 4 to the 2005 Act which amends section 96 of the 1990 Act with the effect of enabling Welsh Ministers to make regulations in relation to litter collected by principal litter authorities under section 92C(3) of the 1990 Act. Section 92C(3) of the 1990 Act relates to litter collected by a principal litter authority when a person has failed to comply with a litter clearing notice issued by that authority under section 92A of the 1990 Act;
- (d) paragraph 14 of Schedule 4 to the 2005 Act substitutes a new subsection (1) into section 45 of the Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003 ("the 2003 Act") with the effect that fixed penalties pursuant to section 43(1) (graffiti and fly-posting) of the 2003 Act are payable to the local authority whose authorised officer issued the notice;
- (e) paragraph 15 of Schedule 4 to the 2005 Act applies definitions contained in section 47(1) of the 2003 Act to sections 43A and 43B of that Act. The effect of this is to enable Welsh Ministers to make regulations in connection with penalties payable in pursuance of a notice under section 43(1) of the 2003 Act (graffiti and fly-posting);
- (f) paragraphs 16 to 19 of Schedule 4 to the 2005 Act substitute the term "defacement removal notice" for "graffiti removal notice" in sections 48, 49 and 51 of the 2003 Act, and in the heading of section 52 in that Act.
- (g) paragraph 17(7) of Schedule 4 to the 2005 Act inserts the words "but not a parish or community council" into the definition of "local authority" in section 48(12) of the 2003 Act. The effect of this is to prevent parish and community councils from issuing graffiti removal notices, carrying out remedial works where a graffiti removal notice is not complied with and recovering expenses incurred in doing so;
- (h) Part 3 of Schedule 5 to the 2005 Act contains repeals to section 324(3)(a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and section 43(10) and (11) of the Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003;
- (i) Part 7 of Schedule 5 to the 2005 Act contains repeals to section 9 and Schedule 3 to the Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1990 and to the heading to section 2 and sections 8(8) and 9(3) of the Noise Act 1996;
- (j) Part 9 of Schedule 5 to the 2005 Act contains a repeal to section 45(3) to (9) of the Antisocial Behaviour Act 2003.