STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1981 No. 182

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES

CHANGES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS

The Afan (Communities) Order 1981

Made - - - -	12*th February* 1981
Coming into Operation—	
For the purposes described in article 2	18*th February* 1981
For all other purposes	1*st April* 1981

Whereas the Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales, under paragraph 6 of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1972(a), made proposals to the Secretary of State for Wales in relation to communities in the Borough of Afan:

Now therefore the Secretary of State for Wales, in exercise of his powers under paragraph 7 of the said Schedule and section 67(4) and (5) of the said Act as applied by paragraph 9 of the said Schedule, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order giving effect to the said proposals with modifications:—

Title and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Afan (Communities) Order 1981.

2. 18th February 1981 is hereby specified as the day on which this order shall come into operation for any purposes set out in regulation 4(1) (Coming into operation of order) of the Regulations.

For all other purposes this order shall come into operation on the appointed day.

Interpretation

3. In this order—

"the appointed day" means 1st April 1981; and

"the Regulations" means the Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976(b) as amended by the Local Government Area Changes (Amendment) Regulations 1978(c).

The boundary map

4.—(1) In this order, "the boundary map" means the map issued by the Welsh Office and marked "Boundary map of the Afan (Communities) Order 1981". The sheets of the boundary map are respectively marked with the numbers 1 to 11 and are in this order referred to by such numbers.

(a) 1972 c. 70. (b) S.I. 1976/246. (c) S.I. 1978/247.

(2) Regulation 5(3)(*a*)(ii) of the Regulations (which requires the supply of prints of maps referred to in orders to the Secretary of State for Social Services) shall not apply.

Changes in counties and districts

5.—(1) That part of the Borough of Afan which is shown hatched red and numbered A1 on sheet 5 of the boundary map shall be transferred to the Borough of Neath and to the Community of Neath, and shall form part of the Neath No. 1 electoral division of the County of West Glamorgan, of the No. 3 ward of the Borough of Neath, of the Briton Ferry community ward of the Community of Neath and of the Neath petty sessional division.

(2) Those parts of the County of West Glamorgan and of the Borough of Afan which are shown hatched red and numbered A2 on sheet 11 of the boundary map and A3 on sheets 10 and 11 of the boundary map shall be transferred to the County of Mid Glamorgan, to the Borough of Ogwr and to the Town of Kenfig, and shall form part of the Penybont No. 5 electoral division of the County of Mid Glamorgan, of the No. 14 ward of the Borough of Ogwr, of the Newcastle and Ogmore petty sessional division and of the Southern coroner's district.

(3) Those parts of the Borough of Neath which are shown coloured red and numbered B1 and B2 on sheet 5 of the boundary map shall be transferred to the Borough of Afan.

(4) Those parts of the County of Mid Glamorgan and of the Borough of Ogwr which are shown coloured red and numbered B3 on sheet 11 and B4 on sheet 10 of the boundary map shall be transferred to the County of West Glamorgan and to the Borough of Afan.

(5) The other boundaries of the Borough of Afan with any other district, and where such boundaries are also boundaries of the County of West Glamorgan with the County of Mid Glamorgan those boundaries, shall be such boundaries as shown by the relevant continuous red lines on the boundary map, and any county or district boundary meeting a boundary displaced by this provision shall be continued to the new boundary hereby established in the shortest possible distance.

(6) (*a*) Sub-paragraphs (*b*) to (*e*) shall apply in any district other than the Borough of Afan altered by paragraph (5).

(*b*) Any community or community ward boundary meeting a boundary displaced by paragraph (5) shall be continued to the new boundary thereby established in the shortest possible distance.

(*c*) Any area added to the district by paragraph (5) to which (*b*) does not apply shall form part of the community which it adjoins.

(*d*) Any area added to the district by paragraph (5) to which (*b*) does not apply in its application to community ward boundaries shall form part of the community ward, if any, which it adjoins.

(*e*) Any alteration of a community ward, or of a community not divided into community wards, made by this paragraph shall extend to the electoral division of a county, ward of the district, petty sessional division and coroner's district in which the community ward or the community, as the case may be, is situated.

Communities

6. In the Borough of Afan as altered—

(1) the Community of Glyncorrwg shall continue, consisting of the area shown by the relevant continuous red lines on the boundary map;

(2) the existing community of Port Talbot shall be abolished;

(3) eleven new communities to be known as Aberavon, Baglan, Baglan Bay, Bryn, Cwmavon, Margam, Margam Moors, Port Talbot, Sandfields East, Sandfields West and Tai Bach shall be constituted, such communities consisting, subject to the provision of paragraph (4), of the areas shown by the relevant continuous red lines on the boundary map; and

(4) any island, rock or sandbank forming part of the existing community of Port Talbot which is not expressly shown on the boundary map as part of a new community shall form part of the new community nearest to which any part of such island, rock or sandbank lies.

Electoral divisions and district wards

7. Where any boundary of the County of West Glamorgan or of the Borough of Afan altered by article 5 is the boundary of an electoral division of the said county or a ward of the said borough, as the case may be, the alteration shall extend to such electoral division or ward.

Glyncorrwg Community Council

8.—(1) Where any boundary of the Community of Glyncorrwg is the boundary of a ward of such community any alteration of the first-mentioned boundary shall extend to such ward. Subject as aforesaid the existing wards of the said community shall continue until the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1983.

(2) As from such fourth day the Community of Glyncorrwg shall be divided into community wards to be known as Cymmer, Glyncorrwg and Gwynfi, such wards consisting of the areas shown by continuous green lines on the boundary map. The numbers of councillors for such wards shall be 8, 3 and 4 respectively.

(3) Community councillors for the said new wards shall be elected on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1983. The persons elected shall come into office on the fourth day after such day and, subject to any provision made by virtue of section 67(5)(*f*) of the Local Government Act 1972, shall retire on the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1987.

Petty sessional division

9. The Afan petty sessional division shall consist of the area of the Borough of Afan as altered.

Coroner's district

10. The West Glamorgan coroner's district shall consist of —

(*a*) the Boroughs of Afan and Neath as altered; and

(*b*) the part of the Borough of Lliw Valley comprised in the district.

Town and country planning

11.—(1) In this article—

"the Act of 1971" means the Town and Country Planning Act 1971(**a**);

"the development plan" means—

in relation to the County of West Glamorgan, the old development plan within the meaning of paragraph 2 of Schedule 7 to the Act of 1971 for the county; and

in relation to the County of Mid Glamorgan, the development plan (within the meaning of Schedule 5 to the Act of 1971) for the county; and

"relevant area" means an area transferred by article 5 from one county to another.

(2) The development plan for the county to which any relevant area is transferred shall have effect as if the provisions of such plan for the county from which the area is transferred in relation to land in the area were contained therein.

(3) Any structure plan or local plan which has at the appointed day been prepared by any county council or district council for any area including any area transferred by article 5 from the county or the district, as the case may be, or any part thereof, shall cease to have effect in relation to the area so transferred or the part thereof.

Local Acts, orders and byelaws

12. The existing community of Port Talbot is hereby specified in relation to regulation 41(4) (Local Acts, orders and byelaws) of the Regulations and the new communities of Aberavon, Baglan, Baglan Bay, Bryn, Cwmavon, Margam, Margam Moors, Port Talbot, Sandfields East, Sandfields West and Tai Bach are hereby specified in relation to such area.

I. S. Dewar,
An Under Secretary in the Welsh Office.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State.
12th February 1981.

(**a**) 1971 c. 78.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

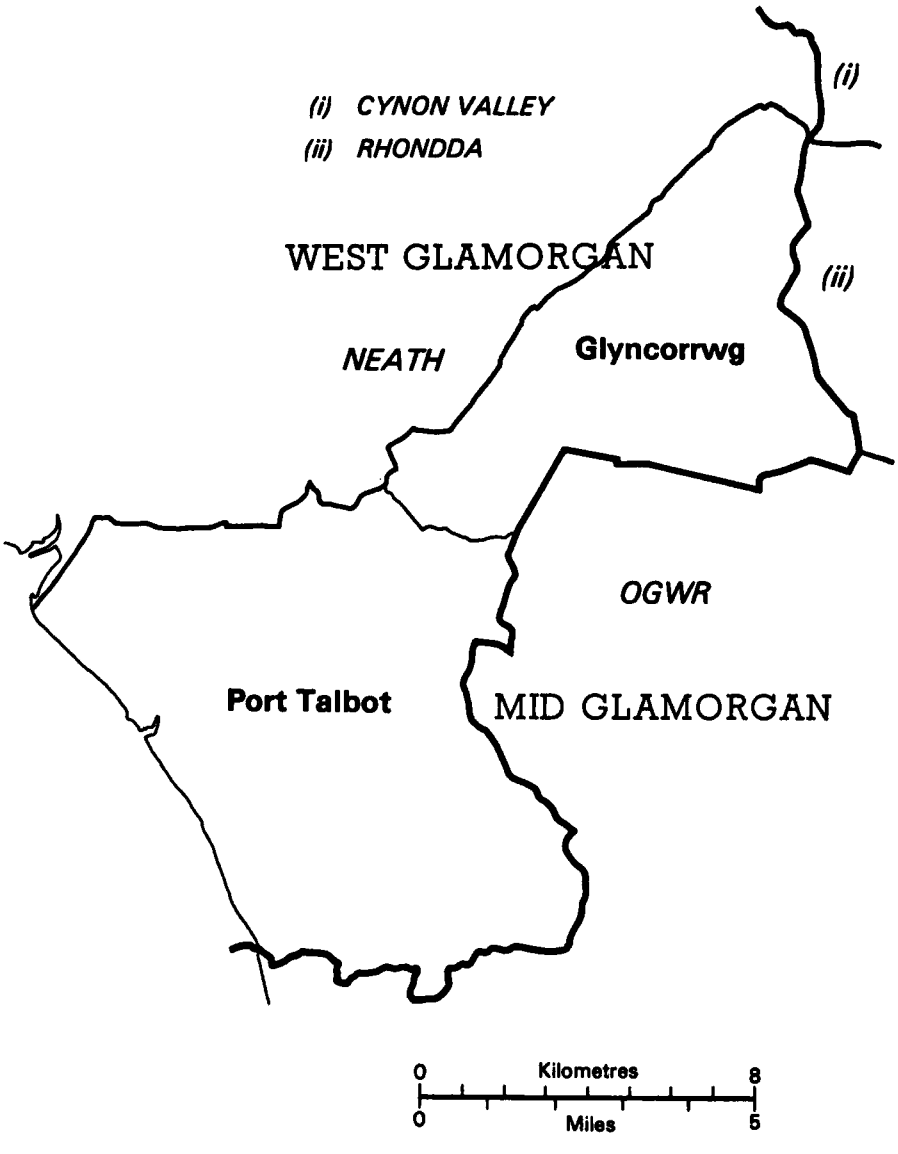
This order continues the Community of Glyncorrwg and constitutes 11 new communities, in the area of the existing community of Port Talbot, in the Borough of Afan, making minor alterations in the boundary of the borough (and where that boundary is also the boundary of the County of West Glamorgan of that boundary).

The maps forming part of this note (pages 6 and 7) show (*a*) the existing communities, and (*b*) the continued and new communities and the transferred areas referred to in article 5(1) to (4) of the order. The map on page 7 also incorporates a grid identifying the sheets of the boundary map referred to in article 4 of the order.

Prints of the boundary map referred to in article 4 of the order may be inspected at the offices of the borough councils of Afan, Neath, Ogwr and Rhondda. Prints may be purchased from the Welsh Office's Map Library.

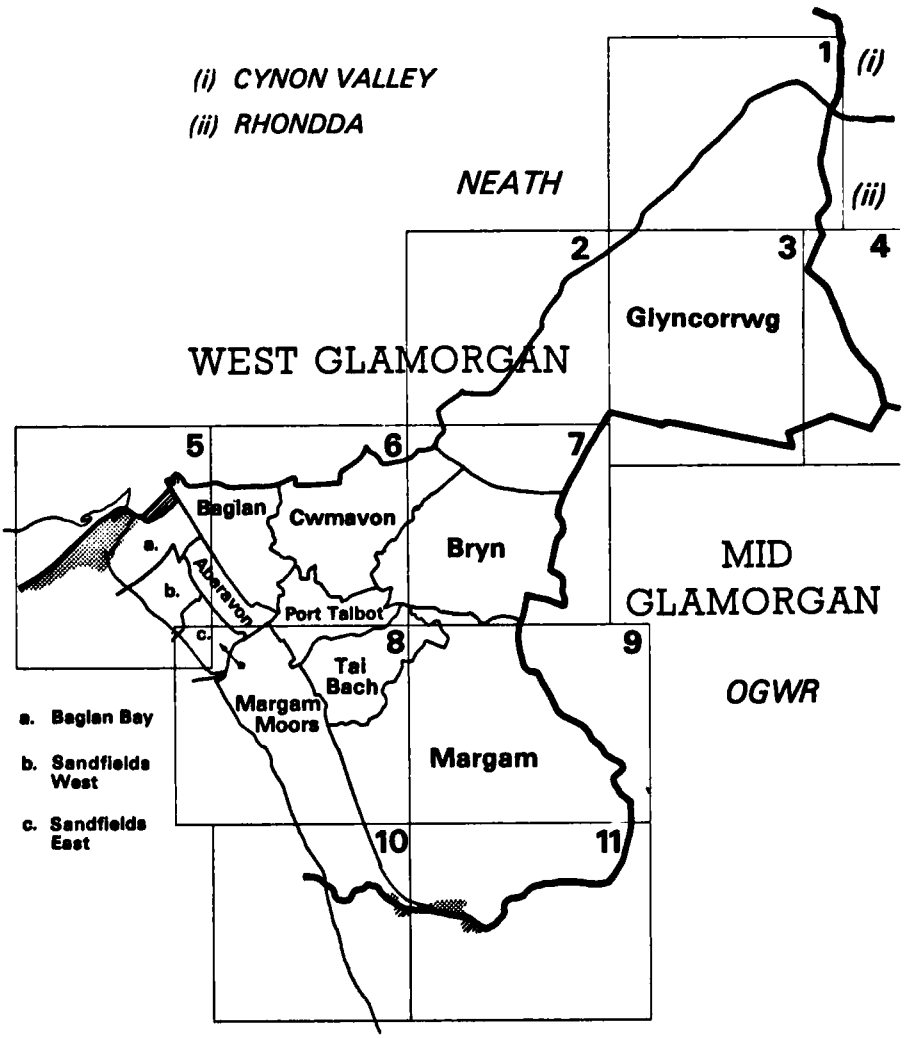
Incidental, consequential, transitional and supplementary provision in consequence of orders of the nature of the present one is contained in the Regulations referred to in article 3 of the order.

Existing Communities



Cartographic Services, Welsh Office. Based on the Ordnance Survey map. W/LG/AA/OM/6/1.

Communities as from 1st April 1981



Areas transferred to the Borough of Afan

Areas transferred from the Borough of Afan

The grid identifies the sheets of the boundary map.

0 Kilometres 8

0 Miles 5

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