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CORONERS, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (Alteration of Coroner Areas) Order 2020

Made - - - -	*9th March 2020*
Laid before Parliament	*11th March 2020*
Coming into force - -	*1st April 2020*

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 176(3)(a) of, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to, the Coroners and Justice Act 2009(**a**), and after consulting in accordance with that paragraph, makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as The Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (Alteration of Coroner Areas) Order 2020 and comes into force on 1st April 2020.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"coroner area" means a coroner area specified in the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (Coroner Areas and Assistant Coroners) Transitional Order 2013(**b**);

"new coroner area" means the new coroner area resulting from the combining of the coroner areas as set out in Article 3.

New coroner area

3. The following coroner areas are combined to create the new coroner area of Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton:

(a) Central Hampshire;

(b) North East Hampshire;

(c) Portsmouth and South East Hampshire; and

(d) Southampton and New Forest.

Alex Chalk
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Ministry of Justice

9th March 2020

(**a**) 2009 c. 25.
(**b**) S.I. 2013/1625.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (Coroners Areas and Assistant Coroners) Transitional Order 2013 (SI 2013/1625), which came into force on 25th July 2013, constituted the former coroners' districts under the Coroners Act 1988 (c 13) as corresponding coroner areas under the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (c 25).

This Order combines four coroner areas into one new coroner area, called Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.

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