EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO

THE EAST SUSSEX COUNTY HEALTHCARE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE TRUST (TRANSFER OF TRUST PROPERTY) ORDER 2005

2005 No. 3393

1 This explanatory memorandum has been prepared by the Department of Health and is laid before Parliament by Command of Her Majesty.

2 Description

2.1 The purpose of the Statutory Instrument is to transfer property held on trust (charitable property) from East Sussex County Healthcare NHS Trust to East Sussex Hospitals NHS Trust.

3 Matters of special interest to the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments

3.1 None

4 Legislative Background

4.1 Due to changes in arrangements for the administration of the East Sussex County Healthcare NHS Trust, it is considered, more appropriate after consultation with both the transferor and transferee trusts, for the East Sussex Hospitals NHS Trust to hold and administer the trust property currently held by the East Sussex County Healthcare NHS Trust. This instrument, therefore, transfers the trust property currently held by East Sussex County Healthcare NHS Trust to the East Sussex Hospitals NHS Trust.

5 Extent

5.1 This instrument applies to England.

6 European Convention on Human Rights

As the instrument is subject to negative resolution procedure and does not amend primary legislation, no statement is required.

7 Policy background

7.1 The policy objectives are to transfer trust property, together with any rights and liabilities arising from that property, from the East Sussex County Healthcare NHS Trust to the East Sussex Hospitals NHS Trust.

8 Impact

8.1 A Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been prepared for this instrument as it has no impact on business, charities or voluntary bodies.

9 Contact

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