STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1964 No. 2066

LONDON GOVERNMENT

The London Authorities (Registration Service) Order 1964

Made - - - -	22*nd December* 1964
Laid before Parliament	31*st December* 1964
Coming into Operation	1*st January* 1965

The Minister of Health, as the appropriate Minister with respect to the subject matter of this order, in exercise of his powers under sections 84 and 85 of the London Government Act 1963(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the London Authorities (Registration Service) Order 1964 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1965.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order, unless the context otherwise requires:—

"the Act of 1953" means the Registration Service Act 1953(b); and

"registration officer" means a superintendent registrar, registrar of births and deaths (including a registrar of births and deaths exercising any of the functions of a registrar of marriages), or person engaged whole-time as a deputy superintendent registrar or deputy registrar of births and deaths.

(2) Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this order to the provisions of any enactment shall be construed as references to those provisions as amended or re-enacted by any subsequent enactment.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(c) applies to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Application

3. Any provision in this order for the transfer of persons not engaged whole-time as registration officers shall apply only to their office as registration officer.

Registration service

4.—(1) The county councils of Hertfordshire, Essex, Kent and Surrey shall, not later than 13th February 1965, each make and submit to the Minister of Health for his approval under section 14 of the Act of 1953 a scheme making such amendments to their existing schemes under that section as are necessary in consequence of the London Government Act 1963.

(a) 1963 c. 33.
(b) 1 & 2 Eliz. 2. c. 37.
(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

(2) Each London borough council shall not later than 13th February 1965 prepare and submit to the Minister of Health a scheme for the purposes of section 13 of the Act of 1953 for the borough, and section 14(4) (which relates to the approval of the Minister of Health) of the Act of 1953 shall apply to any scheme so submitted.

(3) If a council fails to submit a scheme in accordance with paragraph (1) or (2) of this article, the Registrar General may, after consultation with the council, prepare a scheme for the purpose, and any scheme so prepared by him, if approved by the Minister of Health, shall have effect as if it were a scheme submitted by the council and approved by the Minister of Health.

(4) Subject to any further scheme made by the London borough council and approved by the Minister of Health under section 14 of the Act of 1953, and to the provisions of article 5(3) of this order, a scheme approved by the Minister of Health under paragraph (2) or (3) of this article for a London borough shall have effect for the organisation of the registration service in the London borough as from 1st April 1965.

Transfer of Staff

5.—(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this article, every registration officer who on 31st March 1965 holds office in or for any registration district or sub-district contained in the area of any local authority mentioned in column 1 of Part I of the Schedule to this order shall on 1st April 1965 be transferred to and become the holder of the office allocated to him in accordance with article 6 of this order as if he had been appointed to that office by the London borough council mentioned in column 2 of Part I of the said Schedule opposite such first mentioned authority.

(2) Every registration officer who on 31st March 1965 holds an office mentioned in column 3 of Part II of the Schedule to this order in or for the registration district or sub-district mentioned opposite thereto in column 1 or 2 of Part II of the said Schedule, shall on 1st April 1965 be transferred to and become the holder of the office allocated to him in accordance with article 6 of this order as if he had been appointed to that office by the London borough council or county council mentioned in column 4 of Part II of the said Schedule opposite such first mentioned office.

(3) Every registration officer transferred by paragraph (1) or (2) of this article shall hold his new office on terms and conditions not less favourable than those which as registration officer he enjoyed on 31st March 1965 until the London borough council or county council notify him that any different terms and conditions applicable to his office under the registration scheme approved for the county or London borough under section 14 of the Act of 1953 or article 4 of this order are to have effect in his case.

Allocation of Staff

6.—(1) The county council of Surrey and every London borough council shall before 6th March 1965 make and submit to the Registrar General proposals for allocating to the posts described in the registration scheme approved for the county or London borough under section 14 of the Act of 1953 or article 4 of this order the officers who will, pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2) of article 5 of this order, become registration officers in the county or London borough on 1st April 1965.

(2) Not later than the day on which proposals under paragraph (1) of this article are submitted to the Registrar General, the council shall send a copy thereof to every registration officer affected by the proposals and the Registrar General, after considering any representations with respect to the proposals

made by any such officer within a period of fourteen days after the submission of the proposals, may approve the proposals with or without modifications.

(3) If within any period after 6th March 1965 specified by the Registrar General any council fails to submit proposals for the purpose mentioned in paragraph (1) of this article, the Registrar General may determine the allocation of officers to the posts described in the council's approved registration scheme, and any allocation so determined shall have effect as if it had been proposed by the council and approved by the Registrar General.

Transitional provisions as to notices, etc., under the Marriage Act 1949

7.—(1) Nothing in the London Government Act 1963 or in any scheme mentioned in article 4 of this order shall affect the validity of any certificate or licence issued or notice given under the Marriage Act 1949(a) before 1st April 1965. A marriage solemnised in Greater London after that date on the authority of such a certificate or licence shall not be void, and a person solemnising a marriage in accordance with sub-paragraph (b) (iii) of the next succeeding paragraph shall not be guilty of an offence under section 75 of the Marriage Act 1949, by reason of the fact that the marriage is solemnised in an office other than that specified in the notice of marriage or certificate.

(2) Where notice of marriage is given before 1st April 1965 to any superintendent registrar whose district will be altered or abolished on that date and the marriage has not been solemnised before that date, the following provisions shall apply:—

(*a*) Where the district is altered but not abolished, the provisions of the Marriage Act 1949 with regard to the issue of a certificate or a certificate and licence shall apply as if the alteration had not taken place.

(*b*) Where the district is abolished, the notice shall have effect as if it had been given to the superintendent registrar designated by the Registrar General for the purposes of section 15(1) of the Act of 1953 as the successor to the superintendent registrar whose district is abolished (which successor is hereinafter referred to as the 'succeeding superintendent registrar') and

(i) the succeeding superintendent registrar shall cause any notice or exact copy of the particulars entered in the marriage notice book, required to be displayed under section 31(1) of the Marriage Act 1949, to be affixed in some conspicuous place in his office from 1st April 1965 for any unexpired portion of the period mentioned in the said section 31(1), and

(ii) the succeeding superintendent registrar, and any other superintendent registrar so empowered by the Marriage Act 1949, may, in accordance with the provisions of that Act, issue his certificate or, as the case may be, his certificate and licence for the solemnisation of the marriage notwithstanding that the building in which the marriage is to be solemnised is not within his district or within the district within which one of the persons to be married has resided, and

(iii) the succeeding superintendent registrar may arrange for the solemnisation of the marriage in his office where the persons to be married had stated in the notice that they wished to be married in the office of the superintendent registrar to whom the notice was given.

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 76.

(3) For the purposes of any notice of marriage to be given on or after 1st April 1965 the alteration or the establishment of any district by any scheme mentioned in article 4 of this order shall be deemed to have taken effect on 28th February 1965.

(4) The superintendent registrar of any district which will be abolished on 1st April 1965 shall for one month prior to that date display in a conspicuous position in his office and inform every person giving notice of marriage, the name and address of the superintendent registrar designated as his successor for the purposes of section 15(1) of the Act of 1953.

(5) Nothing in the London Government Act 1963 or in any scheme mentioned in article 4 of this order shall prejudice or affect the registration of any building for the solemnisation of marriages under section 41 of the Marriage Act 1949 or the appointment of any person as an authorised person under section 43 of the Marriage Act 1949.

Registration of Births and Deaths

8. Where any birth (including a still-birth) or death occurring in any sub-district which is altered or abolished on 1st April 1965 has not been registered before that date, it shall be registered by the registrar of births and deaths for the sub-district in which is situated on 1st April 1965 the place of birth or death, as the case may be.

Compensation

9. In relation to any person who suffers loss of employment or loss or diminution of emoluments which is attributable to the provisions of this order, the material date for the purposes of the London Government (Compensation) Regulations 1964(a) (other than regulations 3 and 5(1)) shall be 1st April 1965.

SCHEDULE
TRANSFER OF STAFF
(Article 5)

PART I

(1) Existing Appointing Authority	(2) New Appointing Authority
The councils of the metropolitan boroughs of St. Pancras and Hampstead	The council of the London borough of Camden
The councils of the metropolitan boroughs of Greenwich and Woolwich	The council of the London borough of Greenwich
The councils of the metropolitan boroughs of Hackney and Stoke Newington	The council of the London borough of Hackney
The councils of the metropolitan boroughs of Fulham and Hammersmith	The council of the London borough of Hammersmith
The council of the metropolitan borough of Islington	The council of the London borough of Islington
The councils of the metropolitan borough of Chelsea and of the Royal borough of Kensington	The council of the Royal borough of Kensington and Chelsea

(a) S.I. 1964/1953 (1964 III, p. 4254).

(1) Existing Appointing Authority	(2) New Appointing Authority
The council of the metropolitan borough of Lambeth	The council of the London borough of Lambeth
The councils of the metropolitan boroughs of Deptford and Lewisham	The council of the London borough of Lewisham
The councils of the metropolitan boroughs of Bermondsey and Camberwell	The council of the London borough of Southwark
The councils of the metropolitan boroughs of Bethnal Green and Poplar	The council of the London borough of Tower Hamlets
The councils of the metropolitan boroughs of Paddington and St. Marylebone and of the City of Westminster	The council of the new City of Westminster
The council of the county borough of Croydon	The council of the London borough of Croydon
The councils of the county boroughs of East Ham and West Ham	The council of the London borough of Newham

PART II

Existing Registration District (1)	Existing Registration Sub-district (2)	Office (3)	New Appointing Authority (4)
Ilford	Barking	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Barking
Romford	Dagenham	Registrar of births and deaths	
Barnet	Barnet Hospitals	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Barnet
	Barnet and Elstree	Registrar of births and deaths	
Hendon		Superintendent registrar and all registrars of births and deaths and additional registrars of births and deaths	
Dartford	Erith	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Bexley
Sidcup		Superintendent registrar	
	Bexley	Registrar of births and deaths	
Willesden		Superintendent registrar	The council of the London borough of Brent
		Deputy superintendent registrar and all registrars of births and deaths and additional registrars of births and deaths	
Bromley		Superintendent registrar and all registrars of births and deaths and the additional registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Bromley
Sidcup	Chislehurst	Registrar of births and deaths	
Holborn	Holborn	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Camden
Surrey Mid-Eastern	Coulsdon and Banstead	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Croydon

Existing Registration District (1)	Existing Registration Sub-district (2)	Office (3)	New Appointing Authority (4)
Ealing		Superintendent registrar	
	Southall	Registrar of births and deaths	
	Ealing	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Ealing
	Greenford	Registrar of births and deaths and all additional registrars of births and deaths	
Edmonton		Superintendent registrar	
		Deputy superintendent registrar	
	Edmonton	Registrar of births and deaths	
	Pymmes Park	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Enfield
	Pymmes Park	Deputy registrar of births and deaths	
	Enfield	Registrar of births and deaths and all additional registrars of births and deaths	
Shoreditch	Shoreditch	Registrar of births and deaths and the additional registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Hackney
Edmonton	Tottenham	Registrar of births and deaths	
Wood Green		Superintendent registrar and all registrars of births and deaths and additional registrars of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Haringey
Harrow		Superintendent registrar	The council of the London borough of Harrow
	Harrow	Registrar of births and deaths and all additional registrars of births and deaths	
Romford	Romford	Registrar of births and deaths	
	Hornchurch	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Havering
	Oldchurch	Registrar of births and deaths and the additional registrar of births and deaths	
Harrow	Ruislip	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Hillingdon
Uxbridge		Superintendent registrar and all registrars of births and deaths	
Ealing		Additional superintendent registrar	
	Acton	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Hounslow
	Isleworth	Registrar of births and deaths	
	Syon Park	Registrar of births and deaths	
	Syon Park	Deputy registrar of births and deaths	
Finsbury		Additional registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Islington
Surrey Northern		Superintendent registrar	
	Kingston and Malden	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the Royal borough of Kingston upon Thames
	Kingston Hill	Registrar of births and deaths and the additional registrar of births and deaths	
Wandsworth	Clapham	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Lambeth
	Streatham	Registrar of births and deaths	
Surrey North-Eastern		Superintendent registrar	
	Wimbledon	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Merton
	Merton and Carshalton	Registrar of births and deaths and the additional registrar of births and deaths	

Existing Registration District (1)	Existing Registration Sub-district (2)	Office (3)	New Appointing Authority (4)
Essex South Western Ilford	Woodford	Registrar of births and deaths Superintendent registrar	The council of the London borough of Redbridge
	Ilford North	Registrar of births and deaths	
	Ilford South	Registrar of births and deaths	
Middlesex South		Superintendent registrar	The council of the London borough of Richmond upon Thames
	Twickenham	Registrar of births and deaths	
Surrey Northern	Richmond and Barnes	Registrar of births and deaths	
Southwark		All registrars of births and deaths and the additional registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Southwark
Surrey Mid-Eastern	Sutton and Cheam	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Sutton
Surrey North Eastern	Mitcham and Beddington	Registrar of births and deaths	
	St. Helier	Registrar of births and deaths	
Stepney		All registrars of births and deaths and the additional registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Tower Hamlets
Essex South Western		Superintendent registrar	The council of the London borough of Waltham Forest
	Leyton	Registrar of births and deaths	
	Forest	Registrar of births and deaths	
	Walthamstow	Registrar of births and deaths and the additional registrar of births and deaths	
Battersea	North Battersea	Registrar of births and deaths	The council of the London borough of Wandsworth
	South Battersea	Registrar of births and deaths	
	St. James' Hospital	Registrar of births and deaths	
Wandsworth		Superintendent registrar	
	Tooting	Registrar of births and deaths	
	Putney	Registrar of births and deaths and all additional registrars of births and deaths	
Middlesex South	Staines	Registrar of births and deaths and the additional registrar of births and deaths	The county council of Surrey

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Health on 22nd December 1964.

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Kenneth Robinson,
Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This order provides for a reorganisation of local registration services in and around Greater London in consequence of the reorganisation of local govern-

ment in Greater London from 1st April 1965.

Schemes will be made by the London borough councils establishing registration districts and sub-districts, determining the location of registration offices and the number of superintendent registrars, registrars of births and deaths and other officers required for the purposes of the Registration Acts.

Except in a few cases, registration officers are transferred by the order on 1st April 1965 to posts allocated to them by the London borough councils. Officers suffering loss of employment or loss or diminution of emoluments will be able to claim compensation under the London Government (Compensation) Regulations 1964.

The order also contains transitional provisions with regard to notices and certificates under the Marriage Act 1949 and marriages to be solemnised before registration officers, and with regard to the registration of births and deaths.