The Mersey River Board Constitution Order, 1950

1950 No. 1168

Made - - - - 17th July, 1950

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Minister of Health in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sections 1, 2, 27 and 35 of the River Boards Act, 1948(a), and of every other power enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows :—

1. This Order may be cited as the Mersey River Board Constitution Order, 1950.

2.—(1) In this Order

" the Act " means the River Boards Act, 1948 ;

" the Ministers " means the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Minister of Health acting jointly ;

" the river board area " means the Mersey River Board Area defined by the Mersey River Board Area Order, 1950(b).

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3.—(1) There shall be a river board (hereinafter referred to as " the river board ") for the river board area which shall be known as the Mersey River Board and the number of members to be appointed thereto in pursuance of subsection (2) of section 2 of the Act shall be forty.

(2) Of those members, the number to be appointed in pursuance of paragraph (*b*) of subsection (2) of section 2 of the Act by the councils of the counties and county boroughs whose area, or any part of whose area, is included in the river board area shall be twenty six.

4.—(1) The number of members of the river board to be appointed respectively by the councils of the counties and county boroughs named in the first column of the First Schedule to this Order, being the counties and county boroughs whose area, or part of whose area, is included in the river board area, shall be the number shown opposite the name of the county or county borough in the second column of that Schedule.

(2) The member to represent jointly the councils of the counties of Derby and the West Riding of York shall be appointed by agreement between those councils, or, in default of agreement between the councils, by the Ministers.

5. The day (hereinafter referred to as " the appointed day ") on which the functions referred to in section 4 of the Act are to become exercisable by the river board in relation to the river board area and are to cease to be exercisable by other bodies and on which any consequential vesting in the river board of property rights liabilities and obligations is to take place shall be the first day of April or the first day of October, whichever is the earlier, next following the day appointed by the Ministers for the first meeting of the river board.

6. As from the appointed day the bodies named in the Second Schedule hereto, being bodies whose functions wholly cease in consequence of this Order, shall be dissolved.

(a) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 32. (b) S.I. 1950 No. 639, listed p. 1568 below.
(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

7. The river board shall as soon as practicable consult with each body from which functions are to be transferred to the river board by section 4 of the Act, being a body part only of whose area or district is included in the river board area, and with any other river board whose area includes any part of the area or district of any such body, as to the following matters :—

(*a*) what, if any, of the property, rights, liabilities and obligations of the body (being property, rights, liabilities and obligations which would, if the whole area or district of that body were included in the river board area, be transferred under subsection (1) of section 25 or under subsection (1) of section 26 of the Act) is to be transferred to the river board ;

(*b*) in what cases liabilities of the body are to be apportioned and financial adjustments made between the river board and the body ;

(*c*) the apportionment of any such liabilities and the making of any such financial adjustments ;

(*d*) the amendment of any instrument affected by any such apportionment or adjustment ;

and the said matters shall be determined by agreement between the river board and the body and, if the case requires, the other river board, or in default of agreement—

(i) if the body is a fishery board or a catchment board, by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries ;

(ii) in any other case, by the Minister of Health.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this seventeenth day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty.

A. R. Manktelow, (L.S.)
Under Secretary.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Health is hereunto affixed this seventeenth day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty.

I. F. Armer, (L.S.)
Under Secretary.

FIRST SCHEDULE

County	*Number of Members*	
Chester	Two	
Lancaster	Six	
Derby	One	(to represent the councils jointly)
York, West Riding		
County Borough		
Bolton	One	
Bootle	One	
Bury	One	
Liverpool	Four	
Manchester	Four	
Oldham	One	
Rochdale	One	
St. Helens	One	
Salford	One	
Southport	None	
Stockport	One	
Warrington	One	

SECOND SCHEDULE

River Alt Catchment Board.

Rivers Mersey (above Irlam Weir) and Irwell (above Hunt's Bank) Catchment Board.

South Lancashire Rivers Catchment Board.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The River Boards Act, 1948 requires the Ministers by order to define river board areas and to establish river boards for those areas. The Mersey River Board Area having been defined by the Mersey River Board Area Order, 1950, this Order establishes the river board for that area.

As required by the Act, this Order specifies the total number of members of the Board, and the number of those members who are to be appointed by councils of counties and county boroughs. The Act itself provides for the appointment of the remainder.

As from the appointed day fixed by this Order in relation to the Mersey River Board Area the functions relating to land drainage, fisheries and river pollution which the Act transfers, become exercisable by the river board in relation to its area, and cease to be exercisable by other bodies.

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1950 No. 1086

Made - - - - *29th June,* 1950

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Minister of Health in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sections 1, 2, 27 and 35 of the River Boards Act, 1948(a), and of every other power enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows:—

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2.—(1) In this Order

"the Act" means the River Boards Act, 1948;

"the Ministers" means the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Minister of Health acting jointly;

"the river board area" means the North West Wales River Board Area defined by the North West Wales River Board Area Order, 1950(b).

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(a) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 32.

(b) S.I. 1950 No. 807, listed p. 1568 below.

(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.