STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1979 No. 474

WATER, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Yorkshire Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - -	10*th April* 1979
Coming into Operation	11*th April* 1979

The Secretary of State for the Environment and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, acting jointly in the exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 2(4), 3(1) and (9), and 36(2) of the Water Act 1973(**a**) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows, in the terms of a draft approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Yorkshire Water Authority Constitution (Amendment) Order 1979 and shall come into operation on the day following the day on which it is made.

Amendment of Yorkshire Water Authority Constitution Order 1973

2. The Yorkshire Water Authority Constitution Order 1973(**b**) is hereby amended as follows:—

(*a*) for article 4 (which specifies the numbers of members to be appointed to the Yorkshire Water Authority) there shall be substituted the following article:—

"*Members of water authority*

4.—(1) The water authority shall consist of twenty-eight members.

(2) The number of members specified for the purposes of paragraph (*b*) of section 3(1) of the Act as the number to be appointed by the Minister is three.

(3) The number of members specified for the purposes of paragraph (*c*) of section 3(1) of the Act as the number to be appointed by the Secretary of State is eight.

(**a**) 1973 c. 37. (**b**) S.I. 1973/1289.

(4) (*a*) The number of members to be appointed by each of the councils of counties specified in column (1) of Schedule 1, or by each of the councils of districts so specified individually, or by the councils of each group of districts so specified, shall be the number specified in relation to that county, district, or group in column (2) of that schedule.

(*b*) Where in the said schedule the number to be appointed is specified in relation to a group of districts, the councils of the districts comprised in the group shall between them appoint that number.

(*c*) The year specified for the purposes of paragraph 4 of Schedule 3 to the Act (which provided that the first members to whom that paragraph applied should hold office until the end of May in such year as might be specified for the purposes of that paragraph) is the year 1975 in the case of a member appointed by the councils of a group of districts and the year 1977 in the case of a member appointed by the council of a county.";

(*b*) for Schedule 1 (which specifies the numbers of members to be appointed by local authorities) there shall be substituted the following schedule:—

Article 4

"SCHEDULE 1

NUMBERS OF MEMBERS TO BE APPOINTED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES

(1)	(2)
	Number of Members
Metropolitan County	
South Yorkshire	Two
West Yorkshire	Two
Non-Metropolitan County	
Derbyshire	One
Humberside	One
North Yorkshire	One
Metropolitan District	
Barnsley, Doncaster, Rotherham, Sheffield	Two between them
Sheffield	One
Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Leeds, Wakefield	Two between them
Leeds	One
Non-Metropolitan District	
Beverley, Boothferry, Cleethorpes, Glanford, Grimsby, Holderness, Kingston upon Hull, North Wolds, Scunthorpe	One between them
Craven, Hambleton, Harrogate, Richmondshire, Ryedale, Scarborough, Selby, York	Two between them"

Transitional provision

3. Any person who is a member of the Yorkshire Water Authority on the day on which this order comes into operation shall hold office for the term for which he would have held office if this order had not been made.

Peter Shore,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

9th April 1979.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 10th April 1979.

(L.S.)

John Silkin,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

The Yorkshire Water Authority Constitution Order 1973 defined the constitution of the Yorkshire Water Authority, one of the ten regional water authorities established for England and Wales under the Water Act 1973, and provided that the Authority should consist of twenty-five members, of whom seven were to be appointed by county councils specified in the order and six by groups of district councils so specified.

This order amends the 1973 order so as to provide that the Yorkshire Water Authority shall consist of twenty-eight members, of whom seven are to be appointed by specified county councils and nine by specified district councils or groups of district councils.

The terms of office of existing members of the Authority are not affected by this order. Members appointed to fill places newly created by the order will come into office (subject to paragraph 4(3) of Schedule 3 to the Water Act 1973) on 1st June 1979 and will hold office for a term of four years.

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