Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 105(6) of the Local Government Act 2000, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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2012 No.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The City of Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Mayoral Referendum) Order 2012

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Coming into force in accordance with article 1

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 9N and 105 of the Local Government Act 2000(**1**).

In accordance with section 105(6) of that Act, a draft of this instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the City of Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Mayoral Referendum) Order 2012 and comes into force on the day after the day on which it is made.

Interpretation

2. In this Order "the authority" means Newcastle-upon-Tyne City Council.

Referendum on whether to operate a mayor and cabinet executive

3. The authority must, on 3rd May 2012, hold a referendum on whether to operate a mayor and cabinet executive.

Action to be taken after referendum

4.—(1) If the result of the referendum held by virtue of this Order is to approve a change to a mayor and cabinet executive, the authority must implement that change.

(2) If the result of the referendum held by virtue of this Order is to reject a change to a mayor and cabinet executive, the authority shall continue to operate their existing form of governance.

(**1**) 2000 c.22. Section 9N was inserted into the Local Government Act 2000 by Schedule 2 to the Localism Act 2011 (c.20). Section 105 was amended by paragraph 70 of Schedule 3 to the Localism Act 2011.