SCHEDULE

AREA OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES WHICH ARE COMBINED TO FORM THE BELFAST FIRE DISTRICT

Belfast County Borough ;
Holywood Urban District ;
Belfast Rural District ;
Castlereagh Rural District.

ORDER, DATED 23RD MAY, 1947, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION ONE OF THE FIRE SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1947.

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The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, by virtue of and in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section one of the Fire Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1947, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order :—

Citation and Interpretation.

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Fire Services (Northern Fire District and Fire Authority) Order (Northern Ireland), 1947.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

(3) In this Order except where the contrary intention appears—

" the Act " means the Fire Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1947 ;

" the Ministry " means the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland ;

the expression " local authority " has the same meaning as in the Act ;

the expression " local authority election year " has the same meaning as is assigned to the expression " election year " (in relation to local government elections) in sub-section (4) of section thirteen of the Elections and Franchise Act (Northern Ireland), 1946.

Formation of Fire District.

2. The areas of the local authorities named in Part I of the Schedule to this Order shall be combined to form a fire district to be called the Northern Fire District.

Designation of Fire Authority.

3. The fire authority for the Northern Fire District shall be a joint committee (to be called the Northern Fire Authority) of the local authorities named in Part II of the Schedule to this Order.

4. The functions of the joint committee designated as the Northern Fire Authority (in this Order referred to as " the joint committee ") shall be to perform for the Northern Fire District the duties imposed upon, and to exercise in relation to that Fire District the powers conferred upon, a fire authority by or under the Act and shall include the provision of offices and the appointment of officers as provided in this Order. Functions of Joint Committee.

5.—(1) The members of the joint committee shall be duly elected members of the respective local authorities by which they are appointed to serve on the joint committee. Qualifications of Members.

(2) The provisions of Article 12 of the Schedule to the Local Government (Application of Enactments) Order, 1898, in so far as they relate to members of a district council, and the provisions of paragraph (6) of Article 36 of the said Schedule shall, with the necessary modifications, apply to members of the joint committee.

6. The number of members to be appointed by each of the local authorities constituting the joint committee shall be as is shown against its name in Part II of the Schedule to this Order. Appointment of Members.

7. The mode of appointment of members of the joint committee by any of the local authorities constituting that committee shall be by resolution of a duly constituted meeting of the authority.

8.—(1) The first appointment of members of the joint committee shall take place at a meeting of each local authority concerned to be held on or before such date as shall be fixed by the Ministry.

(2) The clerk of each such local authority shall notify to the Ministry in writing, within seven days after the first appointment, the name and address of each person appointed to be a member of the joint committee.

(3) The persons appointed in pursuance of this Article shall come into office on such date as shall be fixed by the Ministry.

9. After the first appointment members of the joint committee shall be appointed at the annual meeting of each local authority concerned held in each local authority election year.

10.—(1) Each member of the joint committee shall go out of office and his successor come into office in each local authority election year on the first day of July, or on the first day of the month next following the month in which the annual meeting of the local authority by which he was appointed a member of the joint committee is held, whichever is the later. Term of Office of Members.

(2) Each member of the joint committee shall continue in office until the expiration of the period for which he was appointed a member of the joint committee or until he dies, resigns, vacates his seat for