



REVIEW OF THE ASSISTED AREAS

**The Government's Response to  
Stage 2 of the Public Consultation**

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# 1. Introduction

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## **Review of UK Assisted Areas**

This document sets out the Government's response to the second stage of the public consultation reviewing UK Assisted Areas, which commenced on 10 July and ended on 7 August 2006. The second stage included a proposed Assisted Areas map for the period 2007-2013. Assisted Areas are areas where regional investment aid can be granted in accordance with EU legislation.

Eligibility provides no guarantee that any enterprise in an eligible area will actually receive investment aid, although enterprises both inside and outside assisted areas may be able to access other financial support within the state aid rules.

The Government consulted stakeholders and interested parties on the proposed map, which was initially drawn up on the basis of criteria, statistical analysis and evidence collated during stage one of the public consultation, from 15 February to 19 April 2006.

The Government carefully evaluated all responses received and representations made at both stages of the public consultation responding to local priorities where possible before finally determining the UK Assisted Areas map that will be submitted to the European Commission.

The Assisted Areas map will be implemented into UK legislation after approval is received from the European Commission.

## 2. Foreword from the Minister of State for Industry and the Regions

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The UK Government has been engaged in an extensive consultation process to help us review the areas that will be designated as Assisted Areas under the new European Commission Guidelines on Regional Aid. We have listened to the views of Local Authorities, Regional Development Agencies, Devolved Administrations and other stakeholders as we developed our proposals for the new Assisted Areas map. These are areas that will be eligible to receive regional aid to address regional differences in economic performance and to stimulate business investment and job creation from 2007 to 2013.

The key issue for the UK alongside other EU Member States like France, Spain and Ireland is the reduction in the population covered by Assisted Area status. This combined with the application of a “filter” imposed by the Guidelines has limited the flexibility we have in defining areas we wish to include. It is therefore important to emphasise that regional aid is only one way to address deprivation across the country. In fact, most European business support schemes do not depend on the Assisted Areas status. Other types of funding aimed at tackling specific market failures are available – such as aid for Research & Development, risk capital, SMEs, training and regeneration. And of course we have our national programmes through the funding of the Regional Development Agencies, bodies like the Learning & Skills Council, Job Centre Plus and Local Authorities . It is worth noting that last year the Regional Development Agencies in England spent £2.2bn on their regional economies whilst approximately £100m was invested through the Assisted Areas status route.

In England we will be working with the Regional Development Agencies to recommend those areas losing Assisted Areas status in 2007-2013 to be recommended for Tier 3 coverage. This will offer SFIE to small and medium sized enterprises under the new European Commission SME Block Exemption.

As with the first stage of the consultation, there was considerable response; we received two hundred and twenty written replies from a wide range of stakeholders and interested parties. I personally met many delegations from across the country. We listened to all representations and made some changes where we could to the map proposed last July. We had to ensure consistency with the European Guidelines and consistency across the UK. Where possible we tried to respond to local concerns and proposals if consistent with the Guidelines and national approach. I am grateful to all who contributed.

This document responds to the final stage of the public consultation and contains the Assisted Areas map that will be submitted to the European Commission for approval.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Margaret Hodge". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M'.

Margaret Hodge MBE MP

## 3. Background to the Assisted Areas Review

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### **Definition of Assisted Areas**

1. Assisted Areas are where regional aid is used to promote the economic development areas of certain disadvantaged areas within the European Union. In Great Britain the main forms of such aid are the following discretionary grant schemes:

- Selective Finance for Investment in England (SFIE) – which helps fund new investment projects that generate productivity, skills and employment.
- Regional Selective Assistance (RSA) – administered by RSA Scotland, part of the Scottish Executive, aimed at encouraging new investment projects, strengthening existing employment and new job creation.
- RSA Cymru Wales (Regional Selective Assistance) – delivered by the Welsh Assembly Government to help support new commercially viable capital investment projects that create or safeguard permanent jobs.

### **The European Guidelines**

2. The new European Commission Guidelines on regional aid were adopted on 21 December 2005. A brief summary of relevant legislation is contained in Annex A. The new Guidelines will apply from 2007 to 2013 and replace current Guidelines, which expire on 31 December 2006.

3. The Guidelines define the parameters within which the new Assisted Area map can be drawn. All Member States need to submit regional aid maps to the Commission as soon as possible in order for a new map to be operational by January 2007.

### **National Strategic Reference Framework (NSRF)**

4. The Government has been consulting separately on the draft National Strategic Reference Framework (NSRF), which outlines the UK's broad strategy for using its Structural Funds allocations in the 2007-2013 budgetary cycle. The consultation closed on

22 May, and the Government will publish a separate response to the consultation and a final version of the NSRF in the near future. All areas of the UK will be eligible to apply for funding through Structural Funds.

### **Population Coverage: Assisted Areas map 2007-2013**

5. Under the new European Regional Aid Guidelines, the proportion of the UK population covered by Assisted Areas has been reduced from 30.9% to 23.9%. This reduction is a result of recent accessions,<sup>1</sup> anticipated accession of Bulgaria & Romania next year and the success of the UK economy in recent years.

### **Areas covered**

6. The following areas automatically qualify for Assisted Areas under the new rules and will receive full non-discretionary coverage – Tier 1.<sup>2</sup> The NUTS2<sup>3</sup> regions of:

- Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly
- West Wales and the Valleys and
- the Highlands & Islands (until 31st December 2010 then its status will be reviewed by the European Commission during 2010 with the possibility of being regarded as Tier 2<sup>4</sup>)

7. In the first stage consultation document<sup>5</sup> the Government announced that Northern Ireland would continue to receive 100% Tier 2 coverage, due to the particular circumstances in the province. The areas above make up 7.5% of the UK's population, leaving 16.4% to be allocated at the discretion of the Government whilst complying with the Regional Aid Guidelines.

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<sup>1</sup> 10 Member States joined the EU on 1st May 2004

<sup>2</sup> Tier 1 areas are granted Assisted Areas status under Article 87(3)(a) of the EC Treaty

<sup>3</sup> For the UK NUTS Hierarchy refer to Annex G

<sup>4</sup> Tier 2 areas are granted Assisted Areas status under Article 87(3)(c) of the EC Treaty. These areas are discretionary, subject to a population ceiling determined by the European Commission

<sup>5</sup> Published on 15th February and accessible from [www.dti.gov.uk](http://www.dti.gov.uk)

## 4. The public consultation process

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### Engagement with stakeholders

8. Following publication of the second stage consultation document, a national information day was hosted for stakeholders and interested parties. Details of the national information day can be accessed from the DTI website. There were also several regional meetings hosted by Government Offices and Devolved Administrations to discuss the Guidelines, the Government approach to the public consultation, the proposed Assisted Areas map and raise any local or regional queries and issues.

9. Several regional delegations requested a meeting with the Minister or with DTI officials as part of the consultation process.

10. Several Members of Parliament requested meetings with the Minister to discuss the Assisted Areas Review and the proposed Assisted Areas map in relation to their area. Where this was possible, the Minister met them. In addition, DTI officials also met Members of Parliament and various representatives across different stakeholder and interest groups to discuss the consultation.

### Consultation responses

11. Two hundred written responses were received by the consultation deadline.<sup>6</sup> Tables 2 and 3 show the broad types of organisations that responded, and respondents by regions.

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<sup>6</sup> Approximately twenty responses were received after the consultation deadline. They included 10 from Local Authorities, 2 from Regional Partnerships, 12 from MPs or MEP's and 3 from Businesses

**Table 2: Stakeholders & interested parties\* who responded at Stage II**

<b>Respondent</b>	<b>Number Received</b>
Local Authorities	109
Regional partnership	40
Political Party/MPs, MSP or MEPs	15
Business	21
Regional Development Agency	9
National Organisations	3
Academic Institutions	2
Government Department/Agency	1

Note:

\* Some organisations sent more than one response

\* Written responses received after the published deadline are not included.

### **Summary of written responses to stage two of the consultation**

12. The largest number of replies came from Scotland closely followed by the North West and North East of England. A summary of the consultation replies received can be found on Table 3 below.

13. The majority of respondents acknowledged that with the limited coverage available for 2007-2013, there would be difficult decisions made and not every area proposed could be awarded Assisted Areas status. Almost half of respondents requested additional coverage and approximately one-fifth offered wards that could be swapped with the ones proposed on the draft map.

**Table 3: Written Responses by region**

<b>Region</b>	<b>Consultation Replies</b>
<b>England</b>	<b>148</b>
South East	25
East	5
London	5
South West	8
West Midlands	18
East Midlands	10
Yorkshire & Humber	13
North East	29
North West	35
<b>Wales</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>N.Ireland</b>	<b>0</b>
National Organisations	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>220</b>

Note:

\* Some organisations sent more than one response

14. Other than requesting coverage, there were four items that respondents commented on:

- Economic indicators used to draw the proposed map 2007-2013
- The European Commission filter
- 100% coverage of the *Economic Development Areas* – Merseyside & South Yorkshire and
- Small and Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs)

## What indicators should be used to draw up the map?

15. Approximately 30% of respondents commented on the indicators used. There was broad support for a 'basket' of three to five robust and well-established ones. There was widespread support for the use of a skills indicator. Almost all respondents were content with the proposed labour market indicators of the, employment rates, incapacity benefit rates and manufacturing share of employment. They were seen as appropriate criterion and accurately reflected the Government's commitment to raise economic performance. Some respondents said they would have liked Gross Valued Added (GVA) chosen as one of the indicators.

## The European Commission Filter

16. About 20% of respondents commented on the application of the filter. These were mainly respondents from areas that had coverage in the 2000-2006 Assisted Areas map and losing coverage because their economic performance is better than other Member States based on comparisons of GDP per capita and unemployment.

## Automatic coverage in Merseyside and South Yorkshire

17. 12% of respondents commented on coverage proposed in Merseyside and Yorkshire. Apart from respondents in Merseyside and South Yorkshire, respondents from every other region were overwhelmingly against the automatic inclusion of those areas with 100% coverage. The general view was that the *Economic Development Areas* should be subject to the same objective assessment as the rest of the country.

## Small and Medium Sized Enterprises

18. Approximately 10% of respondents expressed concern that the interests of SMEs may be overlooked.

19. A list of individuals and organisations who submitted responses to stage two of the consultation is provided at Annex E. The public consultation responses, except those made in confidence, are available by contacting the Assisted Areas Review Team.<sup>7</sup>

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## 5. The Government's Response

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### **The methodology constructing the Assisted Areas map**

20. The Government took the current map (2000-2006) as the starting point for developing the new map. The current map, and its underlying methodology were found robust against both European Union challenge and legal scrutiny. Some respondents questioned whether using the current assisted areas map as a baseline meant that we relied on old data from 1991. We can confirm that this was not the case. The approach has been to use up to date evidence and analysis to identify areas that should be given priority for Assisted Area status. The decision to use the current map as the baseline was only taken after statistical analysis, using the latest data, illustrated that no potential new areas had considerably stronger cases than most areas covered.

21. For the most effective targeting, coverage for the new map was built up from ward level, aggregated to zones of a minimum 100,000 population. This is the same approach taken for the current map, and the zones use the current map as a start point. By using this approach, the Government believes that it is able to maximise the effectiveness of the UK's population coverage; so that population is not wasted on residential (rather than industrial areas) or areas where there is little prospect of large scale investment occurring.

22. We have used three indicators of need, consistent with the UK's regional policy, in prioritising areas for inclusion as Assisted Areas:

- Employment rate;
- Adult skills at Level 2 and above;
- Incapacity Benefit claimants;

23. We have combined this with a measure of opportunity as a means of providing the most effective targeting of the limited coverage available:

- Manufacturing proportion of employment.

24. A data collation supplement is provided (Annex F) that provides additional information on the four indicators chosen.

### **'Filter' regions**

25. As explained in the first and second stage consultation documents, the Regional Aid Guidelines allow some flexibility in designating Assisted Area coverage. However, there are certain restrictions. The main restriction is the application of a filter defining the areas that can and cannot have Assisted Areas status. Filter regions are determined by comparisons of Gross Domestic Product and unemployment with EU and UK averages. The filter, in addition to Article 87 (3) (a) areas, covers approximately 70% of the UK population. Within these areas considerable flexibility is allowed.

26. However, outside these areas, the Guidelines are very restrictive. Coverage for large companies can only be designated outside the filter by demonstrating "major structural change" using EU-wide comparisons. Having reviewed the evidence, the Government maintains the view expressed in stage two consultation document. Given the strong economy and robust labour market performance in recent years, the UK would not be able to justify coverage in areas that fall outside the European Commission filter. This means that the following areas that are currently covered will not be covered for the period of the new map:

- Halton;
- Ellesmere Port & Neston;
- South Manchester;
- North Warwickshire;
- Lowestoft;
- Brighton and Hove; and
- City of Edinburgh; and
- West Lothian.

Arguments were presented for areas facing major structural change. Having reviewed the evidence, it was considered that these cases were over a long period of time and did not demonstrate the very large scale and very serious decline which the European Union would find acceptable.

27. The Government accepts that there are areas with both need and opportunity that fall outside the filter, and acknowledges the problems and issues that this will create. We will continue to ensure that access to alternative support is clear to businesses in those areas.

### **Primary Purpose of Assisted Areas Coverage**

28. The state aid regime gives significant flexibility to support SMEs. This flexibility is likely to be enhanced with the reform of the State Aid Framework. Therefore, the Government considers the primary purpose of Assisted Area coverage is to large scale capital investment in larger firms. Consequently, the Government will not designate any areas with 'SME-only' coverage that is provided for in paragraph 31 of the Regional Aid Guidelines.

### **Shape of the new map**

29. Working within the limitations of the Guidelines, and having given careful consideration to stage two consultation responses, we have responded to local representations where that has been possible, whilst keeping to the principles and framework set out in the consultation document. We received a considerable number of responses which put forward specific ward changes. The Government has listened to these proposals and we have implemented a significant number of small-scale ward 'swaps' which we substantiated by statistical evidence. Details of the areas covered and the list of wards covered by region and local authority see Annex D.

## 6. Next Steps and Implementation

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30. The Government will formally submit the Assisted Areas map to the European Commission for approval on 10th October. As soon as the Commission approves the map, the Government will implement the Assisted Areas map after it is legislated by Parliament. We anticipate having the map operational by January 2007. This will enable organisations that use the provisions of the Assisted Areas map sufficient time to re-notify their schemes to the Commission.

31. Should you have any queries about the Assisted Areas Review, you may write to:

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## Annex A : European Legislation – EC Treaty

### **State Aid**

#### **Article 87(1)**

Save as otherwise provided in the EC Treaty, any aid granted by a Member State or through State resources in any form which distorts or threatens to distort competition by favouring certain undertakings or the production of certain goods shall, insofar as it affects trade between Member States, be incompatible with the common market.

### **Regional Aid**

#### **Article 87(3)(a) – Tier 1**

Article 87(3)(a) of the Treaty provides for aid to promote the economic development of areas where the standard of living is abnormally low or where there is serious under-employment. The Regional Aid Guidelines define such areas as regions, at NUTS level 2,<sup>8</sup> that have Gross Domestic Product per capita, measured in purchasing power parity terms, of less than 75% of the Community average. This comparison is based on an average of the last three years for which data is available.

#### **Article 87(3)(c) – Tier 2**

Article 87(3)(c) permits aid to facilitate the development of certain economic activities or of certain economic areas, where such aid does not adversely affect trading conditions to an extent contrary to the common interest. Unlike Article 87(3)(a), there is no single Community criterion for defining such areas. Each Member State has discretion to designate regions that are disadvantaged in that country, subject to a population ceiling determined by the Commission.

<sup>8</sup> NUTS (Nomenclature of Units for Territorial Statistics) areas are used by Eurostat, the European Commission's Statistical Office, for presenting regional and local statistics

## Annex B: Assisted Areas allocation to Member States 2007-2013

EU Member State	Percentage population in Assisted Areas allocated in the Guidelines 2007-2013
Cyprus	50.0%
Estonia	100.0%
Greece	100.0%
Hungary	100.0%
Latvia	100.0%
Lithuania	100.0%
Malta	100.0%
Poland	100.0%
Slovenia	100.0%
Slovakia	88.9%
Czech Republic	88.6%
Italy	34.1%
Portugal	76.7%
Spain	59.6%
Sweden	15.3%
Belgium	25.9%
Germany	29.6%
Finland	33.0%
United Kingdom	23.9%
Ireland	50.0%
Austria	22.5%
France	18.4%
Luxembourg	16.0%
Denmark	8.6%
Netherlands	7.5%



# Annex D: Designated Assisted Areas (2007-2013)

## **87(3)a coverage**

87(3)a coverage is defined by the Commission's Regional Aid Guidelines, and will be awarded to the following areas.

**SOUTH WEST**     The NUTS 2 area **Cornwall & the Isles of Scilly**, comprising the following local authorities:

Caradon  
Carrick  
Isles of Scilly  
Kerrier  
North Cornwall  
Penwith  
Restormel

**WALES**             The NUTS 2 area **West Wales & the Valleys**, comprising the following local authorities:

Blaenau Gwent  
Bridgend  
Caerphilly  
Carmarthenshire  
Ceredigion  
Conwy  
Denbighshire  
Gwynedd  
Isle of Anglesey  
Merthyr Tydfil  
Neath Port Talbot  
Pembrokeshire  
Rhondda, Cynon, Taff  
Swansea  
Torfaen

SCOTLAND      The NUTS 2 area **Highlands & Islands**<sup>\*</sup>,  
comprising the following councils:

Comhairle Nan Eilean Siar (Western Isles)

Highland

Orkney Islands

Shetland Islands

Part of Argyll & Bute

Part of Moray

Part of North Ayrshire

<sup>\*</sup>The position of the Highlands & Islands will be reviewed by the European Commission during 2010, as a result of which its coverage may become 87(3)c from 1 January 2011.

## 87(3)c coverage

87(3)c coverage is discretionary. Our proposal is to award it to the following wards, listed by region and local authority.

### North East Region

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Blyth Valley	Cowpen
Blyth Valley	Cramlington East
Blyth Valley	Cramlington Eastfield with East Hartford
Blyth Valley	Cramlington North
Blyth Valley	Cramlington Parkside
Blyth Valley	Cramlington South East
Blyth Valley	Cramlington Village
Blyth Valley	Cramlington West
Blyth Valley	Croft
Blyth Valley	Hartley
Blyth Valley	Holywell
Blyth Valley	Isabella
Blyth Valley	Kitty Brewster
Blyth Valley	Newsham and New Delaval
Blyth Valley	Plessey
Blyth Valley	Seaton Delaval
Blyth Valley	Seghill
Blyth Valley	South Beach
Blyth Valley	South Newsham
Blyth Valley	Wensleydale
Castle Morpeth	Ellington
Castle Morpeth	Hebron, Hepscott and Mitford
Castle Morpeth	Lynemouth
Castle Morpeth	Stannington
Chester-le-Street	Chester North
Chester-le-Street	North Lodge
Darlington UA	Faverdale
Darlington UA	Lingfield
Darlington UA	Middleton St George
Darlington UA	Sadberge and Whessoe
Derwentside	Annfield Plain
Derwentside	Blackhill
Derwentside	Burnopfield
Derwentside	Castleside
Derwentside	Catchgate
Derwentside	Consett East
Derwentside	Consett North
Derwentside	Consett South
Derwentside	Delves Lane

## North East Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Derwentside	Dipton
Derwentside	Havannah
Derwentside	Leadgate
Derwentside	South Moor
Derwentside	Stanley Hall
Derwentside	Tanfield
Durham	Belmont
Durham	Brancepeth, Langley Moor and Meadowfield
Durham	Carrville and Gilesgate Moor
Durham	Cassop-cum-Quarrington
Durham	Coxhoe
Durham	Pelaw and Gilesgate
Durham	Shadforth and Sherburn
Durham	Shincliffe
Easington	Acre Rigg
Easington	Blackhalls
Easington	Dawdon
Easington	Dene House
Easington	Deneside
Easington	Easington Colliery
Easington	Easington Village and South Hetton
Easington	Eden Hill
Easington	Haswell and Shotton
Easington	Horden North
Easington	Horden South
Easington	Howletch
Easington	Hutton Henry
Easington	Murton East
Easington	Murton West
Easington	Passfield
Easington	Seaham Harbour
Easington	Seaham North
Easington	Thornley and Wheatley Hill
Easington	Wingate
Gateshead	Bede
Gateshead	Bensham
Gateshead	Birtley
Gateshead	Chowdene
Gateshead	Deckham
Gateshead	Dunston
Gateshead	Felling
Gateshead	High Fell
Gateshead	Lamesley
Gateshead	Leam

## North East Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Gateshead	Low Fell
Gateshead	Pelaw and Heworth
Gateshead	Saltwell
Gateshead	Teams
Gateshead	Wrekendyke
Hartlepool UA	Brinkburn
Hartlepool UA	Brus
Hartlepool UA	Dyke House
Hartlepool UA	Elwick
Hartlepool UA	Fens
Hartlepool UA	Grange
Hartlepool UA	Greatham
Hartlepool UA	Hart
Hartlepool UA	Jackson
Hartlepool UA	Owton
Hartlepool UA	Park
Hartlepool UA	Rift House
Hartlepool UA	Rossmere
Hartlepool UA	Seaton
Hartlepool UA	St. Hilda
Hartlepool UA	Stranton
Hartlepool UA	Throston
Middlesbrough UA	Ayresome
Middlesbrough UA	Beechwood
Middlesbrough UA	Clairville
Middlesbrough UA	Gresham
Middlesbrough UA	Linthorpe
Middlesbrough UA	Middlehaven
Middlesbrough UA	North Ormesby and Brambles Farm
Middlesbrough UA	Pallister
Middlesbrough UA	Park
Middlesbrough UA	Thorntree
Middlesbrough UA	University
Newcastle upon Tyne	Benwell
Newcastle upon Tyne	Byker
Newcastle upon Tyne	Castle
Newcastle upon Tyne	Lemington
Newcastle upon Tyne	Monkchester
Newcastle upon Tyne	Sandyford
Newcastle upon Tyne	Scotswood
Newcastle upon Tyne	Walker
Newcastle upon Tyne	Walkergate
Newcastle upon Tyne	West City
North Tyneside	Chirton
North Tyneside	Collingwood

## North East Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
North Tyneside	Longbenton
North Tyneside	Riverside
North Tyneside	Wallsend
North Tyneside	Weetslade
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Brotton
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Coatham
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Dormanstown
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Grangetown
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Guisborough
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Kirkleatham
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Loftus
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Longbeck
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Newcomen
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Saltburn
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Skelton
Redcar and Cleveland UA	South Bank
Redcar and Cleveland UA	St Germain's
Redcar and Cleveland UA	West Dyke
Redcar and Cleveland UA	Zetland
Sedgefield	Bishop Middleham and Cornforth
Sedgefield	Broom
Sedgefield	Byerley
Sedgefield	Chilton
Sedgefield	Ferryhill
Sedgefield	Fishburn and Old Trimdon
Sedgefield	Greenfield Middridge
Sedgefield	Low Spennymoor and Tudhoe Grange
Sedgefield	Middlestone
Sedgefield	Neville and Simpasture
Sedgefield	New Trimdon and Trimdon Grange
Sedgefield	Sedgefield
Sedgefield	Shafto St Marys
Sedgefield	Spennymoor
Sedgefield	Sunnydale
Sedgefield	Thickley
Sedgefield	Tudhoe
Sedgefield	West
Sedgefield	Woodham
South Tyneside	All Saints
South Tyneside	Beacon and Bents
South Tyneside	Bede
South Tyneside	Biddick Hall
South Tyneside	Boldon Colliery
South Tyneside	Cleadon and East Boldon

## North East Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
South Tyneside	Cleadon Park
South Tyneside	Fellgate and Hedworth
South Tyneside	Harton
South Tyneside	Hebburn Quay
South Tyneside	Hebburn South
South Tyneside	Horsley Hill
South Tyneside	Monkton
South Tyneside	Primrose
South Tyneside	Rekendyke
South Tyneside	Tyne Dock and Simonside
South Tyneside	West Park
South Tyneside	Westoe
South Tyneside	Whitburn and Marsden
South Tyneside	Whiteleas
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Bishopsgarth
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Blue Hall
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Charltons
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Elm Tree
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Fairfield
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Glebe
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Grange
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Grangefield
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Hardwick
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Hartburn
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Mandale
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Marsh House
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Mile House
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Newtown
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Northfield
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Norton
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Parkfield
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Portrack and Tilery
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Preston
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Roseworth
Stockton-on-Tees UA	St. Aidan's
Stockton-on-Tees UA	St. Cuthbert's
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Stainsby
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Victoria
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Village
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Whitton
Stockton-on-Tees UA	Wolviston
Sunderland	Castletown
Sunderland	Central
Sunderland	Colliery
Sunderland	Eppleton

## North East Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Sunderland	Fulwell
Sunderland	Grindon
Sunderland	Hendon
Sunderland	Hetton
Sunderland	Houghton
Sunderland	Pallion
Sunderland	Ryhope
Sunderland	Shiney Row
Sunderland	Silksworth
Sunderland	South Hylton
Sunderland	Southwick
Sunderland	St. Chad's
Sunderland	St. Michael's
Sunderland	St. Peter's
Sunderland	Thorney Close
Sunderland	Thornholme
Sunderland	Town End Farm
Sunderland	Washington East
Sunderland	Washington North
Sunderland	Washington South
Sunderland	Washington West
Teesdale	Etherley
Teesdale	Evenwood, Ramshaw and Lands
Wansbeck	Bedlington Central
Wansbeck	Bedlington East
Wansbeck	Bedlington West
Wansbeck	Bothal
Wansbeck	Central
Wansbeck	Choppington
Wansbeck	College
Wansbeck	Guide Post
Wansbeck	Haydon
Wansbeck	Hirst
Wansbeck	Newbiggin East
Wansbeck	Newbiggin West
Wansbeck	Park
Wansbeck	Seaton
Wansbeck	Sleekburn
Wansbeck	Stakeford
Wear Valley	Bishop Auckland Town
Wear Valley	Cockton Hill
Wear Valley	Coundon
Wear Valley	Crook South
Wear Valley	Dene Valley
Wear Valley	Henknowle

## North East Region (continued)

<b>Local authority</b>	<b>Ward name (2003 CAS wards)</b>
Wear Valley	Howden
Wear Valley	West Auckland
Wear Valley	Wheatbottom and Helmington Row
Wear Valley	Willington Central
Wear Valley	Willington West End
Wear Valley	Woodhouse Close

## North West Region

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Allerdale	Ewanrigg
Allerdale	Flimby
Allerdale	Harrington
Allerdale	Moorclose
Allerdale	Moss Bay
Allerdale	Netherhall
Allerdale	Seaton
Allerdale	St John's
Allerdale	St Michael's
Barrow-in-Furness	Barrow Island
Barrow-in-Furness	Central
Barrow-in-Furness	Dalton North
Barrow-in-Furness	Dalton South
Barrow-in-Furness	Hawcoat
Barrow-in-Furness	Hindpool
Barrow-in-Furness	Newbarns
Barrow-in-Furness	Ormsgill
Barrow-in-Furness	Parkside
Barrow-in-Furness	Risedale
Barrow-in-Furness	Roosecote
Barrow-in-Furness	Walney North
Barrow-in-Furness	Walney South
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Audley
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Bastwell
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Corporation Park
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Earcroft
Blackburn with Darwen UA	East Rural
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Ewood
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Fernhurst
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Higher Croft
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Little Harwood
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Marsh House
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Meadowhead
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Mill Hill
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Queen's Park
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Roe Lee
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Shadsworth with Whitebirk
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Shear Brow
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Sudell
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Sunnyhurst
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Wensley Fold
Blackburn with Darwen UA	Whitehall
Bolton	Blackrod
Bolton	Central
Bolton	Daubhill

## North West Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Bolton	Derby
Bolton	Farnworth
Bolton	Halliwell
Bolton	Harper Green
Bolton	Kearsley
Burnley	Gawthorpe
Burnley	Hapton with Park
Copeland	Arlecdon
Copeland	Beckermet
Copeland	Bootle
Copeland	Bransty
Copeland	Cleator Moor North
Copeland	Cleator Moor South
Copeland	Distington
Copeland	Egremont North
Copeland	Egremont South
Copeland	Ennerdale
Copeland	Frizington
Copeland	Gosforth
Copeland	Harbour
Copeland	Haverigg
Copeland	Hensingham
Copeland	Hillcrest
Copeland	Holborn Hill
Copeland	Kells
Copeland	Millom Without
Copeland	Mirehouse
Copeland	Moresby
Copeland	Newtown
Copeland	Sandwith
Copeland	Seascale
Copeland	St Bees
Hyndburn	Altham
Hyndburn	Clayton-le-Moors
Hyndburn	Rishton
Knowsley	Cantril Farm
Knowsley	Cherryfield
Knowsley	Halewood East
Knowsley	Halewood South
Knowsley	Halewood West
Knowsley	Kirkby Central
Knowsley	Knowsley Park
Knowsley	Longview
Knowsley	Northwood
Knowsley	Page Moss

## North West Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Knowsley	Park
Knowsley	Prescot East
Knowsley	Prescot West
Knowsley	Princess
Knowsley	Roby
Knowsley	St. Gabriels
Knowsley	St. Michaels
Knowsley	Swanside
Knowsley	Tower Hill
Knowsley	Whiston North
Knowsley	Whiston South
Knowsley	Whitefield
Liverpool	Abercromby
Liverpool	Aigburth
Liverpool	Allerton
Liverpool	Anfield
Liverpool	Arundel
Liverpool	Breckfield
Liverpool	Broadgreen
Liverpool	Childwall
Liverpool	Church
Liverpool	Clubmoor
Liverpool	County
Liverpool	Croxteth
Liverpool	Dingle
Liverpool	Dovecot
Liverpool	Everton
Liverpool	Fazakerley
Liverpool	Gillmoss
Liverpool	Granby
Liverpool	Grassendale
Liverpool	Kensington
Liverpool	Melrose
Liverpool	Netherley
Liverpool	Old Swan
Liverpool	Picton
Liverpool	Pirrie
Liverpool	Smithdown
Liverpool	Speke
Liverpool	St. Mary's
Liverpool	Tuebrook
Liverpool	Valley
Liverpool	Vauxhall
Liverpool	Warbreck
Liverpool	Woolton

## North West Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Oldham	Alexandra
Oldham	Chadderton Central
Oldham	Chadderton North
Oldham	Chadderton South
Oldham	Coldhurst
Oldham	Crompton
Oldham	Failsworth East
Oldham	Hollinwood
Oldham	Lees
Oldham	Royton North
Oldham	Royton South
Oldham	Shaw
Oldham	St. James
Oldham	St. Marys
Oldham	Waterhead
Oldham	Werneth
Rochdale	Balderstone
Rochdale	Castleton
Rochdale	Central and Falinge
Rochdale	Middleton Central
Rochdale	Middleton North
Rochdale	Middleton West
Rochdale	Milnrow
Rochdale	Newbold
Rochdale	Smallbridge and Wardleworth
Sefton	Church
Sefton	Derby
Sefton	Ford
Sefton	Linacre
Sefton	Litherland
Sefton	Molyneux
Sefton	Netherton and Orrell
Sefton	St Oswald
Sefton	Victoria
South Lakeland	Broughton
South Lakeland	Crake Valley
South Lakeland	Low Furness & Swarthmoor
South Lakeland	Ulverston Central
South Lakeland	Ulverston East
South Lakeland	Ulverston North
South Lakeland	Ulverston South
South Lakeland	Ulverston Town
South Lakeland	Ulverston West
St. Helens	Billinge and Seneley Green
St. Helens	Blackbrook

## North West Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
St. Helens	Broad Oak
St. Helens	Eccleston
St. Helens	Grange Park
St. Helens	Haydock
St. Helens	Marshalls Cross
St. Helens	Moss Bank
St. Helens	Newton East
St. Helens	Newton West
St. Helens	Parr and Hardshaw
St. Helens	Queen's Park
St. Helens	Rainford
St. Helens	Rainhill
St. Helens	Sutton and Bold
St. Helens	Thatto Heath
St. Helens	West Sutton
St. Helens	Windle
West Lancashire	Bickerstaffe
West Lancashire	Birch Green
West Lancashire	Digmoor
West Lancashire	Moorside
West Lancashire	Skelmersdale North
West Lancashire	Skelmersdale South
West Lancashire	Tanhouse
West Lancashire	Up Holland
Wigan	Abram
Wigan	Ashton-Golborne
Wigan	Aspull-Standish
Wigan	Atherton
Wigan	Beech Hill
Wigan	Bryn
Wigan	Hindley
Wigan	Hindley Green
Wigan	Hindsford
Wigan	Hope Carr
Wigan	Ince
Wigan	Leigh Central
Wigan	Leigh East
Wigan	Lightshaw
Wigan	Newtown
Wigan	Norley
Wigan	Orrell
Wigan	Swinley
Wigan	Whelley
Wigan	Winstanley
Wigan	Worsley Mesnes

## North West Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Wirral	Bidston
Wirral	Birkenhead
Wirral	Bromborough
Wirral	Claughton
Wirral	Eastham
Wirral	Egerton
Wirral	Leasowe
Wirral	Liscard
Wirral	New Brighton
Wirral	Oxton
Wirral	Prenton
Wirral	Seacombe
Wirral	Tranmere
Wirral	Upton
Wirral	Wallasey

## Yorkshire and The Humber Region

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Barnsley	Ardsley
Barnsley	Athersley
Barnsley	Brierley
Barnsley	Central
Barnsley	Cudworth
Barnsley	Darfield
Barnsley	Darton
Barnsley	Dearne South
Barnsley	Dearne Thurnscoe
Barnsley	Dodworth
Barnsley	Hoyland East
Barnsley	Hoyland West
Barnsley	Monk Bretton
Barnsley	North West
Barnsley	Park
Barnsley	Penistone East
Barnsley	Royston
Barnsley	South West
Barnsley	Wombwell North
Barnsley	Wombwell South
Barnsley	Worsbrough
Doncaster	Adwick
Doncaster	Armthorpe
Doncaster	Askern
Doncaster	Balby
Doncaster	Bentley Central
Doncaster	Bentley North Road
Doncaster	Bessacarr
Doncaster	Central
Doncaster	Conisbrough
Doncaster	Edlington and Warmsworth
Doncaster	Hatfield
Doncaster	Intake
Doncaster	Mexborough
Doncaster	Richmond
Doncaster	Rossington
Doncaster	South East
Doncaster	Southern Parks
Doncaster	Stainforth
Doncaster	Thorne
Doncaster	Town Field
Doncaster	Wheatley
East Riding of Yorkshire UA	Hessle
East Riding of Yorkshire UA	South Hunsley
East Riding of Yorkshire UA	South West Holderness

## Yorkshire and The Humber Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Kingston upon Hull; City of UA	Drypool
Kingston upon Hull; City of UA	Holderness
Kingston upon Hull; City of UA	Marfleet
Kingston upon Hull; City of UA	Myton
Kingston upon Hull; City of UA	Newland
Kingston upon Hull; City of UA	Pickering
Kingston upon Hull; City of UA	Southcoates West
Kingston upon Hull; City of UA	St Andrew's
North East Lincolnshire UA	Croft Baker
North East Lincolnshire UA	East Marsh
North East Lincolnshire UA	Freshney
North East Lincolnshire UA	Heneage
North East Lincolnshire UA	Immingham
North East Lincolnshire UA	Sidney Sussex
North East Lincolnshire UA	West Marsh
North East Lincolnshire UA	Wolds
North East Lincolnshire UA	Yarborough
North Lincolnshire UA	Ferry
Rotherham	Anston and Woodsetts
Rotherham	Aston, Orgreave and Ulley
Rotherham	Boston
Rotherham	Bramley, Ravenfield and Wickersley
Rotherham	Brampton, Melton and Wentworth
Rotherham	Brinsworth, Catcliffe and Treeton
Rotherham	Broom
Rotherham	Central
Rotherham	Dalton, Hooton Roberts and Thrybergh
Rotherham	Greasbrough
Rotherham	Herringthorpe
Rotherham	Kimberworth
Rotherham	Kiveton Park
Rotherham	Maltby
Rotherham	Park
Rotherham	Rawmarsh East
Rotherham	Rawmarsh West
Rotherham	St. John's
Rotherham	Swinton
Rotherham	Thorpe Hesley
Rotherham	Thurcroft and Whiston
Rotherham	Wath
Selby	Whitley
Sheffield	Brightside
Sheffield	Burngreave
Sheffield	Castle

## Yorkshire and The Humber Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Sheffield	Darnall
Sheffield	Firth Park
Sheffield	Handsworth
Sheffield	Manor
Sheffield	Mosborough
Sheffield	Nether Shire
Sheffield	Netherthorpe
Sheffield	Owlerton
Sheffield	Park
Sheffield	Sharrow
Sheffield	Southey Green
Wakefield	Castleford Glasshoughton
Wakefield	Castleford Whitwood
Wakefield	Crofton and Ackworth
Wakefield	Featherstone
Wakefield	Hemsworth
Wakefield	Normanton and Sharlston
Wakefield	Pontefract South
Wakefield	South Elmsall
Wakefield	South Kirkby

## East Midlands Region

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Amber Valley	Somercotes
Ashfield	Hucknall Central
Ashfield	Hucknall East
Ashfield	Hucknall North
Ashfield	Hucknall West
Ashfield	Kirkby in Ashfield Central
Ashfield	Kirkby in Ashfield East
Ashfield	Kirkby in Ashfield West
Ashfield	Sutton in Ashfield Central
Ashfield	Sutton in Ashfield East
Ashfield	Sutton in Ashfield North
Ashfield	Sutton in Ashfield West
Ashfield	Woodhouse
Bassetlaw	Welbeck
Bassetlaw	Worksop East
Bassetlaw	Worksop North
Bassetlaw	Worksop North East
Bassetlaw	Worksop North West
Bassetlaw	Worksop South
Bassetlaw	Worksop South East
Bolsover	Barlborough
Bolsover	Blackwell
Bolsover	Bolsover North West
Bolsover	Bolsover South
Bolsover	Bolsover West
Bolsover	Clowne North
Bolsover	Clowne South
Bolsover	Elmton-with-Creswell
Bolsover	Pinxton
Bolsover	Pleasley
Bolsover	Scarcliffe
Bolsover	Shirebrook East
Bolsover	Shirebrook Langwith
Bolsover	Shirebrook North West
Bolsover	Shirebrook South East
Bolsover	Shirebrook South West
Bolsover	South Normanton East
Bolsover	South Normanton West
Bolsover	Whitwell
Chesterfield	Barrow Hill and New Whittington
Chesterfield	Brimington North
Chesterfield	Brimington South
Chesterfield	Dunston
Chesterfield	Hasland
Chesterfield	Hollingwood and Inkersall

## East Midlands Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Chesterfield	Lowgates and Woodthorpe
Chesterfield	Middlecroft and Poolsbrook
Chesterfield	Moor
Chesterfield	Old Whittington
Chesterfield	St Helen's
Chesterfield	St Leonard's
Gedling	Newstead
Mansfield	Berry Hill
Mansfield	Birklands
Mansfield	Broomhill
Mansfield	Cumberlands
Mansfield	Eakring
Mansfield	Forest Town East
Mansfield	Forest Town West
Mansfield	Grange Farm
Mansfield	Ladybrook
Mansfield	Leeming
Mansfield	Lindhurst
Mansfield	Meden
Mansfield	Oak Tree
Mansfield	Pleasley Hill
Mansfield	Portland
Mansfield	Priory
Mansfield	Ravensdale
Mansfield	Robin Hood
Mansfield	Sherwood
Newark and Sherwood	Bilsthorpe
Newark and Sherwood	Blidworth
Newark and Sherwood	Boughton
Newark and Sherwood	Clipstone
Newark and Sherwood	Edwinstowe
Newark and Sherwood	Ollerton
Newark and Sherwood	Rainworth
North East Derbyshire	Clay Cross North
North East Derbyshire	Clay Cross South
North East Derbyshire	Grassmoor
North East Derbyshire	Holmewood and Heath
North East Derbyshire	North Wingfield Central
North East Derbyshire	Sutton
North East Derbyshire	Tupton
Nottingham UA	Basford
Nottingham UA	Bulwell

## West Midlands Region

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Birmingham	Acock's Green
Birmingham	Aston
Birmingham	Edgbaston
Birmingham	Fox Hollies
Birmingham	Handsworth
Birmingham	Hodge Hill
Birmingham	Kingsbury
Birmingham	Ladywood
Birmingham	Longbridge
Birmingham	Nechells
Birmingham	Northfield
Birmingham	Perry Barr
Birmingham	Selly Oak
Birmingham	Shard End
Birmingham	Sheldon
Birmingham	Small Heath
Birmingham	Soho
Birmingham	Sparkbrook
Birmingham	Washwood Heath
Birmingham	Yardley
Bromsgrove	Hillside
Bromsgrove	Uffdown
Coventry	Bablake
Coventry	Binley and Willenhall
Coventry	Cheylesmore
Coventry	Foleshill
Coventry	Henley
Coventry	Holbrook
Coventry	Longford
Coventry	Lower Stoke
Coventry	Radford
Coventry	Sherbourne
Coventry	St. Michael's
Coventry	Upper Stoke
Coventry	Westwood
Coventry	Whoberley
Coventry	Woodlands
Dudley	Amblecote
Dudley	Belle Vale and Hasbury
Dudley	Brierley Hill
Dudley	Brockmoor and Pensnett
Dudley	Castle and Priory
Dudley	Coseley East
Dudley	Coseley West
Dudley	Gornal

## West Midlands Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Dudley	Halesowen North
Dudley	Halesowen South
Dudley	Kingswinford North and Wall Heath
Dudley	Lye and Wollescote
Dudley	Netherton and Woodside
Dudley	Quarry Bank and Cradley
Dudley	St. Andrews
Dudley	St. James's
Dudley	St. Thomas's
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Bradwell
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Butt Lane
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Chesterton
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Cross Heath
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Holditch
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Keele
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Knutton and Silverdale
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Madeley
Newcastle-under-Lyme	May Bank
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Porthill
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Ravenscliffe
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Silverdale and Parksite
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Thistleberry
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Town
Newcastle-under-Lyme	Wolstanton
Sandwell	Abbey
Sandwell	Blackheath
Sandwell	Bristnall
Sandwell	Cradley Heath and Old Hill
Sandwell	Friar Park
Sandwell	Great Bridge
Sandwell	Greets Green and Lyng
Sandwell	Hateley Heath
Sandwell	Langley
Sandwell	Old Warley
Sandwell	Oldbury
Sandwell	Princes End
Sandwell	Rowley
Sandwell	Smethwick
Sandwell	Soho and Victoria
Sandwell	St. Pauls
Sandwell	Tipton Green
Sandwell	Tividale
Sandwell	Wednesbury North
Sandwell	Wednesbury South
Sandwell	West Bromwich Central

## West Midlands Region (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Solihull	Bickenhill
Solihull	Elmdon
Solihull	Lyndon
Solihull	Silhill
South Staffordshire	Bilbrook
South Staffordshire	Brewood and Coven
South Staffordshire	Essington
South Staffordshire	Featherstone and Shareshill
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Bentilee and Townsend
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Berryhill and Hanley East
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Blurton
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Burslem South
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Chell and Packmoor
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Fenton
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Hanley West and Shelton
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Hartshill and Penkhull
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Longton North
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Longton South
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Meir Park and Sandon
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Stoke and Trent Vale
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Trentham and Hanford
Stoke-on-Trent UA	Tunstall
Walsall	Bentley and Darlaston North
Walsall	Birchills Leamore
Walsall	Blakenall
Walsall	Bloxwich East
Walsall	Bloxwich West
Walsall	Brownhills
Walsall	Darlaston South
Walsall	Hatherton Rushall
Walsall	Palfrey
Walsall	Pelsall
Walsall	Pleck
Walsall	Short Heath
Walsall	St. Matthew's
Walsall	Willenhall North
Walsall	Willenhall South
Wolverhampton	Bilston East
Wolverhampton	Bilston North
Wolverhampton	Blakenhall
Wolverhampton	Bushbury
Wolverhampton	East Park
Wolverhampton	Ettingshall
Wolverhampton	Fallings Park
Wolverhampton	Graiseley

## West Midlands Region (continued)

<b>Local authority</b>	<b>Ward name (2003 CAS wards)</b>
Wolverhampton	Heath Town
Wolverhampton	Low Hill
Wolverhampton	Oxley
Wolverhampton	Spring Vale
Wolverhampton	St. Peter's
Wolverhampton	Wednesfield North
Wolverhampton	Wednesfield South

## East of England Region

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Luton UA	Biscot
Luton UA	Challney
Luton UA	Crawley
Luton UA	Dallow
Luton UA	High Town
Luton UA	Lewsey
Luton UA	Round Green
Luton UA	Saints
Luton UA	South
Luton UA	Stopsley
Luton UA	Wigmore
South Bedfordshire	Houghton Hall
South Bedfordshire	Icknield
South Bedfordshire	Parkside
South Bedfordshire	Tithe Farm

## London Region

<b>Local authority</b>	<b>Ward name (2003 CAS wards)</b>
Barking and Dagenham	River
Barking and Dagenham	Thames
Bexley	Thamesmead East
Greenwich	Glyndon
Greenwich	Thamesmead Moorings
Greenwich	Woolwich Riverside
Havering	South Hornchurch
Newham	Beckton
Newham	Custom House
Newham	East Ham South
Newham	Royal Docks

## South East Region

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Dover	Eastry
Dover	Sandwich
Dover	Whitfield
Thanet	Beacon Road
Thanet	Birchington North
Thanet	Birchington South
Thanet	Bradstowe
Thanet	Central Harbour
Thanet	Cliffsend and Pegwell
Thanet	Cliftonville East
Thanet	Cliftonville West
Thanet	Dane Valley
Thanet	Eastcliff
Thanet	Garlinge
Thanet	Kingsgate
Thanet	Margate Central
Thanet	Nethercourt
Thanet	Newington
Thanet	Northwood
Thanet	Salmestone
Thanet	Sir Moses Montefiore
Thanet	St Peters
Thanet	Thanet Villages
Thanet	Viking
Thanet	Westbrook
Thanet	Westgate-on-Sea

## South West Region

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Plymouth UA	Budshead
Plymouth UA	Devonport
Plymouth UA	Drake
Plymouth UA	Eggbuckland
Plymouth UA	Ham
Plymouth UA	Honicknowle
Plymouth UA	Moor View
Plymouth UA	Southway
Plymouth UA	St Budeaux
Plymouth UA	St Peter and the Waterfront
Plymouth UA	Stoke
Plymouth UA	Sutton and Mount Gould
South Hams	Bickleigh and Shaugh
South Hams	Cornwood and Sparkwell

## Wales

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Cardiff	Creigiau/St. Fagans
Cardiff	Pentyrch
Cardiff	Pontprennau/Old St. Mellons
Cardiff	Trowbridge
Flintshire	Aston
Flintshire	Bagillt East
Flintshire	Bagillt West
Flintshire	Broughton North East
Flintshire	Broughton South
Flintshire	Brynford
Flintshire	Buckley Mountain
Flintshire	Caerwys
Flintshire	Cilcain
Flintshire	Connah's Quay Central
Flintshire	Connah's Quay Golftyn
Flintshire	Connah's Quay South
Flintshire	Connah's Quay Wepre
Flintshire	Ewloe
Flintshire	Ffynnongroyw
Flintshire	Flint Castle
Flintshire	Flint Coleshill
Flintshire	Flint Oakenholt
Flintshire	Flint Trelawny
Flintshire	Greenfield
Flintshire	Gronant
Flintshire	Halkyn
Flintshire	Hawarden
Flintshire	Holywell Central
Flintshire	Holywell East
Flintshire	Holywell West
Flintshire	Mancot
Flintshire	Mostyn
Flintshire	Northop
Flintshire	Northop Hall
Flintshire	Queensferry
Flintshire	Sealand
Flintshire	Shotton East
Flintshire	Shotton Higher
Flintshire	Shotton West
Flintshire	Trelawnyd and Gwaenysgor
Flintshire	Whitford
Newport	Gaer
Newport	Graig
Newport	Liswerry
Newport	Llanwern

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Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Newport	Marshfield
Newport	Pillgwenlly
Newport	Tredeggar Park
Powys	Aber-craf
Powys	Cwm-twrch
Powys	Ynyscedwyn
Powys	Ystradgynlais

## Scotland

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Clackmannanshire	Alloa East
Clackmannanshire	Alloa Mar
Clackmannanshire	Alloa West
Clackmannanshire	Clackmannan
Clackmannanshire	Delph and Cambus
Clackmannanshire	Devon and Clackmannan North
Clackmannanshire	Gartmorn
Clackmannanshire	Tillicoultry East
Clackmannanshire	Tillicoultry West
Dundee City	Ardler
Dundee City	Balgay
Dundee City	Balgillo
Dundee City	Baxter Park
Dundee City	Bowbridge
Dundee City	Camperdown
Dundee City	Claverhouse
Dundee City	Craigiebank
Dundee City	Douglas
Dundee City	East Port
Dundee City	Fairmuir
Dundee City	Hilltown
Dundee City	Law
Dundee City	Lochee East
Dundee City	Lochee West
Dundee City	Logie
Dundee City	Longhaugh
Dundee City	Ninewells
Dundee City	Pitkerro
Dundee City	Riverside
Dundee City	Stobswell
Dundee City	Tay Bridges
Dundee City	Whitfield
East Ayrshire	Altonhill, Hillhead and Longpark
East Ayrshire	Auchinleck
East Ayrshire	Bellfield
East Ayrshire	Crookedholm, Moscow, Galston West and Hurlford North
East Ayrshire	Crosshouse, Gatehead and Knockentiber
East Ayrshire	Cumnock West
East Ayrshire	Drongan, Stair and Rankinston
East Ayrshire	Galston East
East Ayrshire	Grange/Howard
East Ayrshire	Hurlford
East Ayrshire	Kilmarnock Central East

## Scotland (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
East Ayrshire	Kilmarnock Central South
East Ayrshire	Kilmarnock Central West
East Ayrshire	Newmilns
East Ayrshire	North Kilmarnock, Fenwick and Waterside
East Ayrshire	North New Farm Loch and Dean
East Ayrshire	Ochiltree, Skares, Netherthird and Craigens
East Ayrshire	Riccarton
East Ayrshire	Shortlees
East Ayrshire	South New Farm Loch
East Dunbartonshire	Cadder/Langbrae
East Dunbartonshire	Hillhead and Broomhill
East Dunbartonshire	Kirkintilloch Central
East Dunbartonshire	Lenzie
Falkirk	Camelon
Falkirk	Carrongrange
Falkirk	Dawson
Falkirk	Dundas/Kerse
Falkirk	Forthside
Falkirk	Herbertshire
Falkirk	Inchyra
Falkirk	Kinnaird
Falkirk	Larbert
Falkirk	Middlefield
Falkirk	Summerford
Falkirk	Tryst
Falkirk	Zetland
Fife	Aberdour and Burntisland West
Fife	Auchmuty and Woodside West
Fife	Auchtertool and Burntisland East
Fife	Bennochty and Valley
Fife	Brucefield and Nethertown
Fife	Buckhaven and Denbeath
Fife	Cadham, Pitcoudie and Balfarg
Fife	Cardenden, Cluny and Chapel
Fife	Caskieberran and Ribleton
Fife	Crossgates and Mossie
Fife	Dalgety Bay East
Fife	Dalgety Bay West and Hillend
Fife	Dunnikier
Fife	Dysart and Gallatown
Fife	Glebe Park, Pathhead and Sinclairtown

## Scotland (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Fife	Halbeath, Hill of Beath and Kingseat
Fife	Hayfield and Balsusney
Fife	Inverkeithing East and North Queensferry
Fife	Inverkeithing West and Rosyth South
Fife	Kinghorn and Inveriel
Fife	Kinglassie, Bowhill and Dundonald
Fife	Leven West and Kirkland
Fife	Limekilns and Pitreavie
Fife	Linburn
Fife	Linktown and Kirkcaldy Central
Fife	Methil
Fife	Methilhill
Fife	Pitcorthie
Fife	Pitteuchar and Finglassie North
Fife	Raith and Longbraes
Fife	Rosyth East
Fife	Rosyth West
Fife	Smeaton and Overton
Fife	Templehall East
Fife	Templehall West
Fife	Thornton, Stenton and Finglassie South
Fife	Wemyss and Muiredge
Fife	Woodmill
Glasgow City	Anderston
Glasgow City	Baillieston
Glasgow City	Barlanark
Glasgow City	Braidfauld
Glasgow City	Bridgeton/Dalmarnock
Glasgow City	Calton
Glasgow City	Carmunnock
Glasgow City	Carntyne
Glasgow City	Cowlairs
Glasgow City	Dennistoun
Glasgow City	Drumoyne
Glasgow City	Drumry
Glasgow City	Easterhouse
Glasgow City	Firhill
Glasgow City	Garrowhill
Glasgow City	Gartcraig
Glasgow City	Garthamlock
Glasgow City	Glenwood

## Scotland (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Glasgow City	Govan
Glasgow City	Govanhill
Glasgow City	Greenfield
Glasgow City	Hayburn
Glasgow City	Hutchesontown
Glasgow City	Ibrox
Glasgow City	Kelvingrove
Glasgow City	Keppochhill
Glasgow City	Kingston
Glasgow City	Merchant City
Glasgow City	Milnbank
Glasgow City	Mount Vernon
Glasgow City	North Cardonald
Glasgow City	Parkhead
Glasgow City	Partick
Glasgow City	Queenslie
Glasgow City	Robroyston
Glasgow City	Royston
Glasgow City	Scotstoun
Glasgow City	Shettleston
Glasgow City	Tollcross Park
Glasgow City	Victoria Park
Glasgow City	Yoker
Inverclyde	Ward 10
Inverclyde	Ward 11
Inverclyde	Ward 12
Inverclyde	Ward 13
Inverclyde	Ward 14
Inverclyde	Ward 15
Inverclyde	Ward 16
Inverclyde	Ward 17
Inverclyde	Ward 18
Inverclyde	Ward 19
Inverclyde	Ward 2
Inverclyde	Ward 3
Inverclyde	Ward 4
Inverclyde	Ward 5
Inverclyde	Ward 6
Inverclyde	Ward 7
Inverclyde	Ward 8
Inverclyde	Ward 9
North Ayrshire	Ardrossan North
North Ayrshire	Ardrossan South
North Ayrshire	Bourtreehill
North Ayrshire	Dalry

## Scotland (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
North Ayrshire	Dreghorn
North Ayrshire	Irvine Landward
North Ayrshire	Irvine North
North Ayrshire	Irvine Townhead
North Ayrshire	Irvine Vineburgh and Woodlands South
North Ayrshire	Irvine West
North Ayrshire	Kilbirnie South
North Ayrshire	Kilwinning East
North Ayrshire	Kilwinning South
North Ayrshire	Kilwinning West
North Ayrshire	Largs South and Fairlie
North Ayrshire	Saltcoats East
North Ayrshire	Saltcoats North
North Ayrshire	South Beach
North Ayrshire	Stevenston North
North Ayrshire	Stevenston South
North Ayrshire	West Kilbride
North Ayrshire	Woodlands North and Girdle Toll Academy
North Lanarkshire	Airdrie Central
North Lanarkshire	Bargeddie and Langloan
North Lanarkshire	Belhaven
North Lanarkshire	Bellshill North
North Lanarkshire	Benhar
North Lanarkshire	Blairpark
North Lanarkshire	Calder Valley
North Lanarkshire	Calderbank
North Lanarkshire	Carbrain East
North Lanarkshire	Carbrain West and Greenfaulds
North Lanarkshire	Chapelhall
North Lanarkshire	Chryston and Auchinloch
North Lanarkshire	Clarkston
North Lanarkshire	Cleland
North Lanarkshire	Coatbridge Central
North Lanarkshire	Coltness
North Lanarkshire	Condorrat Central
North Lanarkshire	Condorrat North and Westfield
North Lanarkshire	Craigneuk
North Lanarkshire	Craigneuk and Petersburn
North Lanarkshire	Dykehead
North Lanarkshire	Fallside
North Lanarkshire	Forgewood
North Lanarkshire	Garrion
North Lanarkshire	Hattonrig

## Scotland (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
North Lanarkshire	Holytown
North Lanarkshire	Kirkshaws
North Lanarkshire	Kirkwood
North Lanarkshire	Knowetop
North Lanarkshire	Moodiesburn East and Blackwood West
North Lanarkshire	Moodiesburn West and Gartcosh
North Lanarkshire	Mossend East and New Stevenston North
North Lanarkshire	Mossend West and Thorndean
North Lanarkshire	Muirhouse and Netherton
North Lanarkshire	New Stevenston and Carfin
North Lanarkshire	Newarthill
North Lanarkshire	North Cairnhill and Coatdyke
North Lanarkshire	North Central and Glenboig
North Lanarkshire	North Motherwell
North Lanarkshire	Old Monkland
North Lanarkshire	Orbiston
North Lanarkshire	Pather and Gowkthrapple
North Lanarkshire	Salsburgh
North Lanarkshire	Seafar and The Village
North Lanarkshire	Shawhead
North Lanarkshire	Sikeside and Carnbroe
North Lanarkshire	South East Cairnhill and Gartlea
North Lanarkshire	Stepps
North Lanarkshire	Stewarton
North Lanarkshire	Tannochside
North Lanarkshire	Townhead
North Lanarkshire	Viewpark
North Lanarkshire	Watsonville
North Lanarkshire	Westerwood, Carrickstone and Dullatur
North Lanarkshire	Whinhall
Renfrewshire	Arkleston and Newmains
Renfrewshire	Bishopton
Renfrewshire	Blackhall and Hawkhead
Renfrewshire	Blythswood
Renfrewshire	Deanside
Renfrewshire	Erskine Central
Renfrewshire	Erskine S.E. and Inchinnan
Renfrewshire	Erskine West
Renfrewshire	Ferguslie
Renfrewshire	Gallowhill and Whitehaugh
Renfrewshire	Houston and Langbank
Renfrewshire	Linwood East

## Scotland (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Renfrewshire	Moorpark
Renfrewshire	Paisley Central
Renfrewshire	Parkmains
Renfrewshire	Sandyford
Renfrewshire	Seedhill
Renfrewshire	Shortroods
Renfrewshire	St. James
Renfrewshire	Townhead
South Ayrshire	Annbank Mossblown St Quivox
South Ayrshire	Dundonald and Loans
South Ayrshire	Prestwick St Cuthbert's and Monkton
South Ayrshire	Prestwick St Nicholas'
South Ayrshire	Tarbolton Symington Craigie
South Ayrshire	Troon East
South Ayrshire	Troon North
South Ayrshire	Troon South
South Ayrshire	Troon West
South Lanarkshire	Avondale North
South Lanarkshire	Blantyre West
South Lanarkshire	Bothwell South
South Lanarkshire	Burgh
South Lanarkshire	Burnbank/Blantyre
South Lanarkshire	Cairns
South Lanarkshire	Cambuslang Central
South Lanarkshire	Coatshill/Low Blantyre
South Lanarkshire	Earnock
South Lanarkshire	Eastfield
South Lanarkshire	Hallside
South Lanarkshire	Hamilton Centre North
South Lanarkshire	Heatheryknowe
South Lanarkshire	High Blantyre
South Lanarkshire	Hillhouse
South Lanarkshire	Kirkhill/Whitlawburn
South Lanarkshire	Long Calderwood
South Lanarkshire	Low Waters
South Lanarkshire	Mossneuk/Kittoch
South Lanarkshire	Stewartfield
South Lanarkshire	Uddingston
South Lanarkshire	Uddingston South/Bothwell
South Lanarkshire	Udston
South Lanarkshire	Wellhall/Earnock
South Lanarkshire	Whitehill
South Lanarkshire	Whitehills
Stirling	Argyll

## Scotland (continued)

Local authority	Ward name (2003 CAS wards)
Stirling	Logie
Stirling	Polmaise
Stirling	Raploch
Stirling	Sauchenford
West Dunbartonshire	Alexandria North/Tullichewan
West Dunbartonshire	Barloan/Overtoun
West Dunbartonshire	Bowling/Milton/Old Kilpatrick
West Dunbartonshire	Dalmuir/Central
West Dunbartonshire	Dumbarton Central
West Dunbartonshire	Dumbarton East
West Dunbartonshire	Kilbowie
West Dunbartonshire	Kilbowie West
West Dunbartonshire	Linnvale/Drumry
West Dunbartonshire	Mountblow
West Dunbartonshire	Parkhall
West Dunbartonshire	Renton/Alexandria South
West Dunbartonshire	Riverside
West Dunbartonshire	Whitecrook

# Annex E: Respondents to stage 2 of the public consultation

## Responses sent to the Assisted Areas Review Team

### Scotland

- 1 Schuh Ltd
- 2 Real Time Engineering Ltd, Glasgow
- 3 Almond Engineering Ltd, West Lothian
- 4 Tullis Russell, Fife
- 5 Shetland Islands Council
- 6 Scottish Enterprise Forth alley
- 7 East Lothian Council
- 8 South of Scotland Alliance
- 9 Inverclyde Council
- 10 North Lanarkshire Council
- 11 Scottish Borders Council
- 12 Scottish Chambers of Commerce
- 13 East of Scotland European Consortium
- 14 West Lothian Council/West Lothian Economic Partnership
- 15 Scottish Council for Development and Industry
- 16 Highlands and Islands Enterprise
- 17 Renfrewshire Council
- 18 City of Edinburgh Council
- 19 West Lothian Chamber of Commerce
- 20 Stirling Council
- 21 Aberdeen City and Shire Economic Forum
- 22 Falkirk Council
- 23 Scottish Enterprise
- 24 Greater Pollock Development Company, Glasgow
- 25 Clackmannanshire Council
- 26 South Lanarkshire Council
- 27 West of Scotland European Consortium
- 28 Angus Council
- 29 Glasgow City Council
- 30 Moray Council
- 31 Fife Council/Fife Economic Forum
- 32 Fife Chamber of Commerce
- 33 Dundee City Council
- 34 West Dunbartonshire Council
- 35 West Lothian Federation of Small Businesses
- 36 East Ayrshire Council
- 37 Coalfield Communities Campaign (Scottish region)
- 38 Donaldson LLP, Glasgow
- 39 North Ayrshire Council
- 40 South Ayrshire Council

- 41 The Highland Council
- 42 Tepnel Scientific Services, West Lothian
- 43 East Dunbartonshire Council

### **MPs and MSP**

- 1 Michael Moore MP
- 2 Michael Connarty MP
- 3 Bristow Muldoon MSP
- 4 Margaret Smith, MSP for Edinburgh West
- 5 Jim Hood MP
- 6 Baroness Ford of Cunninghame

### **Wales**

- 1 Machynlleth Town Council
- 2 Powys County Council
- 3 Newport Unlimited
- 4 Wrexham County Borough Council
- 5 Cardiff Council
- 6 Flintshire County Council
- 7 Newport City Council
- 8 The Vale of Glamorgan Council
- 9 Novelis UK Ltd
- 10 Wales Local Government Association
- 11 CBI Wales
- 12 Connah's Quay Labour Party

### **MPs**

- 1 Jenny Willott MP
- 2 Jenny Randerson AM
- 3 Jane Hutt AM
- 4 John Griffiths AM

### **North East**

- 1 Derwentside District Council
- 2 Hartlepool Borough Council
- 3 Chester-le-Street District Council
- 4 District of Easington Council
- 5 Teesdale District Council
- 6 Northumberland County Council
- 7 One North East
- 8 County Durham Economic Partnership
- 9 Durham County Council
- 10 Alnwick District council
- 11 Redcar and Cleveland Partnership

- 12 Wansbeck District Council
- 13 North East Chamber of Commerce
- 14 Tees Valley Joint Strategy Unit
- 15 Darlington Borough Council
- 16 Sunderland City Council
- 17 North Tyneside Council
- 18 Tyne and Wear Development Company
- 19 Newcastle City Council
- 20 Wear Valley
- 21 South Tyneside Council
- 22 Castle Morpeth Council
- 23 Cleveland Potash Ltd

## **MPs**

- 1 Fiona Hall MEP
- 2 Fiona Hall MEP
- 3 Dr. Ashok Kumar MP
- 4 Alan Milburn MP
- 5 Vera Baird QC MP

## **North West**

- 1 Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council
- 2 Cheshire & Warrington Economic Alliance
- 3 Metropolitan Borough of Wirral
- 4 Carlisle City Council
- 5 Vauxhall Motors, Ellesmere Port
- 6 Furness Enterprise
- 7 NW Regional Assembly/NW Development Agency
- 8 Allerdale Borough Council
- 9 Partners in Cumbria
- 10 Liverpool Vision
- 11 Blackpool Council
- 12 Lancashire Partnership.
- 13 Lancaster District Chamber of Commerce
- 14 Lancashire sub-region
- 15 Keep Our Future Afloat, Furness (Chairman)
- 16 Keep Our Future Afloat, Furness (Secretariat)
- 17 Manchester Enterprises
- 18 Halton Borough Council
- 19 Merseyside Policy Unit
- 20 Manchester City Council
- 21 Association of Greater Manchester Authorities
- 22 Ellesmere Port and Neston Borough Council
- 23 Lancaster City Council
- 24 Maryport Town Council
- 25 Wigan Council

- 26 Copeland Borough Council
- 27 Lancashire County Council
- 28 Cheshire County Council
- 29 Manchester College of Arts & Technology
- 30 Borough of Pendle

### **MPs**

1. Angela Eagle MP
2. Joan Humble MP

### **Yorkshire & Humber**

- 1 Yorkshire and Humber Assembly
- 2 Kingston Upon Hull City Council
- 3 Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council
- 4 Rotherham Partnership
- 5 Wakefield Metropolitan District Council
- 6 North East Lincolnshire Council
- 7 East Riding of Yorkshire Council
- 8 South Yorkshire Partnership
- 9 Sheffield City Council
- 10 Yorkshire Forward

### **MPs**

- 1 Ian Cawsey MP

### **East Midlands**

- 1 West Lindsey District Council
- 2 Derbyshire County Council
- 3 Alliance SSP
- 4 Ashfield District Council
- 5 Lincolnshire Assembly
- 6 Mansfield District Council
- 7 Nottinghamshire County Council
- 8 East Midlands Development Agency
- 9 Greater Nottingham Partnership
- 10 Chesterfield Borough Council
- 11 Newark & Sherwood District Council

### **West Midlands**

- 1 Jobcentre Plus – West Midland Region
- 2 Keele University
- 3 Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council
- 4 South Staffordshire Council
- 5 Warwickshire County Council

- 6 Stoke-on-Trent City Council
- 7 Coventry City Council
- 8 CSW Partnership Ltd
- 9 Advantage West Midlands
- 10 Birmingham City Council
- 11 Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council
- 12 Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council
- 13 Black Country Consortium
- 14 West Midlands Regional Assembly
- 15 North Warwickshire Borough Council
- 16 Cannock Chase District Council
- 17 Staffordshire County Council

## **MPs**

- 1 Jim Cunningham MP

## **East of England**

- 1 Great Yarmouth Borough Council
- 2 Joint Luton and South Bedfordshire Borough Council
- 3 Waveney District Council
- 4 Norfolk County Council
- 5 Joint EEDA and EERA (Development Agency and Regional Assembly)

## **London**

- 1 Bexley Council
- 2 London Assembly
- 3 Thames Gateway London Partnership
- 4 North London Strategic Alliance
- 5 London Development Agency

## **South East**

- 1 Thanet District Council
- 2 Channel Chamber of Commerce
- 3 East Sussex County Council
- 4 Isle of Wight Council
- 5 Swale Council
- 6 Medway Council
- 7 Brighton and Hove City Council
- 8 Kent County Council
- 9 East Kent Partnership
- 10 Hastings Borough Council
- 11 Dover District Council
- 12 Kent and Medway Economic Board (KMEB)

- 13 Channel Corridor
- 14 Thames Gateway Kent Partnership
- 15 SEEDA
- 16 Locate in Kent
- 17 Liberal Democrats Isle of Wight
- 18 Shepway District Council
- 19 East Kent Locality Team
- 20 Medway Economic Partnership

### **MPs**

- 1 Michael Howard QC MP
- 2 David Lepper MP
- 3 Celia Barlow MP

### **South West**

- 1 South West Regional Development Agency (SWRDA)
- 2 Torbay Development Agency
- 3 Devon County Council
- 4 Devon & Cornwall Business Council
- 5 Dorset County Council
- 6 Plymouth City Council
- 7 South Hams District Council

### **MPs**

1. Geoffrey Cox, Q.C., M.P

# Annex F: Data collation supplement

## Assisted Areas Map 2007-2013

Further detail on data and analysis

### General approach

Following a nine-week public consultation four indicators were chosen to prioritise areas for selection in drawing the UK Assisted Areas draft map.

These are:

- Employment rate;
- Adult skills at Level 2 or above;
- Incapacity Benefit claimants;
- Manufacturing share of employment.

Data have been built up from ward level, using Census Area Statistics wards (2003 CAS wards). Where possible, averages of the three most recent years' data have been used.

For a zone (minimum population 100,000) to be eligible for coverage, we propose that it must be:

*either*

- one standard deviation worse than the Great Britain average on any one of these indicators,

*or*

- half a standard deviation worse than the Great Britain average on at least two of these indicators.

### Employment rate

Ward level data from 2001 Census have been used – working age<sup>9</sup> population in employment (ILO definition) divided by total working age population (Source: NOMIS).

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<sup>9</sup> Working age population defined throughout as ages 16-64 for males and 16-59 for females

To construct more recent estimates, numerators have been factored by Local Authority estimates of employment rate, using four-quarterly averages from the Labour Force Survey (Source: NOMIS). The base year is taken as March 2001 – February 2002. A three-year average has been taken of these derived estimates, using the years March 02 – February 2003, March 2003 – February 2004 and March 2004 – February 2005.

The Great Britain average on this basis was **69.2%**, with a standard deviation of **6.4%**. Therefore the thresholds for eligibility of a zone were:

- half a standard deviation: employment rate **less than 66.1%**;
- one standard deviation: employment rate **less than 62.9%**;

### **Adult skills at level 2 or above**

Ward level data from 2001 Census have been used – working age population with NVQ Level 2 qualification (or equivalent) or higher, divided by total working age population (Source: NOMIS).

To construct more recent estimates, numerators have been factored by Local Authority estimates of working age Level 2+ skills rate, using the Local Area Labour Force Survey (Source: NOMIS). The base year is taken as March 2001 – February 2002. A three-year average has been taken of these derived estimates, using the years March 2001 – February 2002, March 2002 – February 2003 and March 2003 – February 2004.

The Great Britain average on this basis was **52.2%**, with a standard deviation of **7.5%**. Therefore the thresholds for eligibility of a zone were:

- half a standard deviation: Level 2+ skills rate **less than 48.5%**;
- one standard deviation: Level 2+ skills rate **less than 44.7%**;

### **Incapacity Benefit claimants**

Administrative data are available at ward level from the Department of Work and Pensions. The series used includes both Incapacity Benefit claimants and Severe Disablement Allowance claimants. The claimant count denominator has been used (Source: NOMIS).

A three-year average has been taken, using data from November 2003, November 2004 and November 2005.

The Great Britain average on this basis was **7.9%**, with a standard deviation of **3.5%**. Therefore the thresholds for eligibility of a zone were:

- half a standard deviation: IB claimant rate **greater than 9.7%**
- one standard deviation: IB claimant rate **greater than 11.4%**

### **Manufacturing share of employment**

Data are taken from the Annual Business Inquiry employee analysis (Source: NOMIS). Rates are constructed as employment in Manufacturing (Standard Industrial Classification code D) divided by employment in all industrial sectors.

Only two years' data are available for 2003 CAS wards. Therefore a two-year average has been taken, using data from 2003 and 2004.

The Great Britain average on this basis was **12.3%**, with a standard deviation of **6.0%**. Therefore the thresholds for eligibility of a zone were:

- half a standard deviation: manufacturing share of employment **greater than 15.3%**;
- one standard deviation: manufacturing share of employment **greater than 18.3%**;

### **Sources**

All data used are publicly available. Data can be obtained through the following websites:

#### **NOMIS**

<http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/>

#### **Department of Work and Pensions**

<http://www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/tabtool.asp>

#### **General Register Office for Scotland (for Scottish Census data)**

<http://www.gro-scotland.gov.uk/census/censushm/index.html>

## Annex G: The UK's NUTS hierarchy

NUTS (Nomenclature of Units for Territorial Statistics) areas are used by Eurostat, the European Commission's Statistical Office, for presenting regional and local statistics. In the UK, there are five hierarchical levels, built up from local government administrative units as follows:

**Table 3: UK NUTS hierarchy**

Level	England	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
NUTS 1	Government Office Regions	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
NUTS 2	Counties or groups of counties	Combinations of council areas, LECs <sup>10</sup> and parts thereof	Groups of unitary authorities	Northern Ireland
NUTS 3	Counties or groups of unitary authorities	Combinations of council areas, LECs and parts thereof	Groups of unitary authorities	Groups of district council areas
LAU 1 (formerly NUTS 4) Districts or unitary	authorities	Combinations of council areas, LECs and parts thereof	Unitary authorities	District council areas
LAU 2 (formerly NUTS 5)	Electoral wards or divisions	Electoral wards or, rarely, parts thereof	Electoral divisions	Electoral wards

Details of other geographical units within the UK can be found on the National Statistics website, at the following address:

[http://www.statistics.gov.uk/geography/beginners\\_guide.asp](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/geography/beginners_guide.asp)

<sup>10</sup> Local Enterprise Company Area









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