APPENDIX A

COUNTY OF DORSET (PARISHES OF EAST STOUR, STOUR PROVOST, TODBER AND WEST STOUR) GROUPING ORDER 1972

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY OF DORSET

November 1972

To the Parish Meetings of the Parishes of East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber and West Stour.

To the Chairmen of the Parish Meetings of the said Parishes.

To the Clerk of the Shaftesbury Rural District Council.

To All others whom it may concern.

Whereas by Section 45(1) of the Local Government Act 1933 it is provided that the Parish Meeting of a rural parish may apply to the County Council for an order grouping the parish with some neighbouring parish or parishes in the same county under a common parish council and the County Council may thereupon make an Order accordingly.

And whereas the Parish Meetings of the Parishes of East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber and West Stour in the Shaftesbury Rural District in the County of Dorset have applied to the County Council for an Order under the said section grouping the four parishes.

NOW, Therefore we the County Council of the Administrative County of Dorset in pursuance of the powers us hereunto enabling do hereby order as follows:

- 1) The Parishes of East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber and West Stour shall be grouped under a common parish council to be known as "The Stours Parish Council" (hereinafter referred to as the "grouped parish council").
- 2) The grouped parish council shall consist of twenty parish councillors of whom seven shall represent the Parish of East Stour, seven shall represent the Parish of Stour Provost, three shall represent the Parish of Todber and three shall represent the Parish of West Stour.
- 3) There shall continue to be a separate parish meeting for each of the Parishes of East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber and West Stour and, so far as it is not inconsistent with the provisions of this Order, such Parish Meetings shall be held and shall exercise their powers in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1933 (hereinafter referred to as the "Act of 1933").
- 4) That the first elections of Parish Councillors for the said Parishes shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Parish Council Election rules in force for the time being.
- 5) That the date of the elections referred to in paragraph (4) be such as may be determined by the Clerk of the Shaftesbury Rural District Council as Returning Officer.
- 6) The grouped parish council shall hold their first meeting within fourteen days of the date of the said elections and shall be convened by the Chairman of the East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber and West Stour Parish Meetings or in default the Clerk of the Shaftesbury Rural District Council.

- 7) A casual vacancy among the parish councillors on the grouped parish council shall be filled by the grouped parish council, from among the persons qualified to be elected for the parish in respect of which the casual vacancy occurs and the grouped parish council shall forthwith be convened for the purpose of filling the vacancy.
- 8) All parish property as defined in Section 305 of the Act of 1933 of any of the parishes of East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber and West Stour shall vest in the grouped parish Council upon the coming into office of the grouped parish council.
- 9) Where under any provision contained in the Act of 1933 or otherwise the consent of the parish meeting for a parish is required in respect of any act, matter or thing done or contemplated to be done by a parish council the consent of the parish meetings of the parishes of East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber and West Stour shall be necessary in respect of such act, matter or thing done or contemplated to be done by the grouped parish council. Provided that if such act, matter or thing done or contemplated to be done as aforesaid shall be limited in its effect to the Parish of East Stour, or the Parish of Stour Provost, or the Parish of Todber or the Parish of West Stour only then the consent of the parish meetings of the parishes not affected shall not be necessary.
- 10) With respect to charities or documents exclusively affecting or relating to the Parish of East Stour or the Parish of Todber or the Parish of Stour Provost or the Parish of West Stour, the powers relating to the appointment of trustees and to the beneficiaries of a local charity under the Local Government Act 1894 and to the custody of parish documents under the Act of 1933 shall vest in and be exercisable by the parish meeting of the parish exclusively concerned.
- 11) That except with the express approval of each parish meeting of the parishes so grouped expenditure to be incurred in respect of any amenity shall be a charge only on the parish in which the amenity is to be provided.
- 12) This Order may be cited as the County of Dorset (Parishes of East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber and West Stour) Grouping Order 1972.

Given under the Common Seal of the Dorset County Council this tenth day of November 1972.

The Common Seal of the DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL was affixed hereto in the presence of

Sgd. JOHN SIMMONS

Deputy Clerk of County Council