ALTERATION OF CORONER AREAS UNDER SCHEDULE 2 OF THE CORONERS AND JUSTICE ACT 2009¹ MINISTRY OF JUSTICE BUSINESS CASE TEMPLATE FOR MERGERS

NAMES OF CORONER AREAS THAT ARE PROPOSING TO MERGE

- Central Hampshire
- Southampton and New Forest
- North East Hampshire
- Portsmouth and South East Hampshire

PROPOSED NAME OF NEW AREA

Hampshire

INFORMATION ON AREAS THAT PROPOSE TO MERGE

Please provide key details in the table as follows:

Coroner area	North East Hampshire (Basingstoke)	Portsmouth & South East Hampshire	Central, Southampton & New Forest	Hampshire
Geographical area covered	Basingstoke, Alton, Fleet, Farnborough, Aldershot	Portsmouth, Havant, Fareham, Gosport, Petersfield	Southampton, New Forest, Winchester, Eastleigh, Andover, Romsey	All areas from left columns
Local authority/ authorities that fund(s) coroner area and %	Hampshire County Council 100%	Hampshire County Council 41.1% / Portsmouth City Council 58.9% (18/19)	Hampshire County Council 56.8% / Southampton City Council 43.1% (18/19)	Hampshire Council, Southampton City Council, Portsmouth City Council % to be agreed
Relevant authority (formerly lead authority)	Hampshire County Council	Portsmouth City Council	Hampshire County Council	Hampshire County Council
Police Force(s)	Hampshire Police	Hampshire Police	Hampshire Police	Hampshire Police
Transport links	M3, A31, A339, A33, A34. Basingstoke train station, plus numerous local train stations. Farnborough air facility and	A27, A3,A3(M), M275 Portsmouth and numerous local stations Ports for international cruise and freight and ferry services	M3, M27, A34, A303, A31, Southampton Central train station, Southampton Parkway, Winchester train station, plus numerous local	All links from left columns

¹ http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2009/25/schedule/2

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Coroner area	North East Hampshire (Basingstoke)	Portsmouth & South East Hampshire	Central, Southampton & New Forest	Hampshire
	Blackbushe private airport		train stations. Southampton Airport. Southampton Docks with cruise terminal.	
Major hospitals	1 (North Hampshire Hospital)	1 (Queen Alexandra Hospital)	2 (University Hospital Southampton and Royal Hampshire County Hospital)	All hospitals from left columns
Prisons in area	none	none	HMP Winchester	HMP Winchester
Other state detention facilities	1 (Parklands Hospital)	none	Antelope House, Woodhaven, Melbury Lodge (MH Facilities)	All from left columns
Courtrooms/ inquest venues	1 (Basingstoke Law Courts hired room)	1 (Portsmouth)	1 (Winchester)	Basingstoke (registration rooms) Portsmouth Winchester
Office/staff accommodation – location and capacity	1 (Basingstoke - room in registration office for 3 staff). A court room is hired in law courts for inquests.	Civic Offices, Guildhall Square Portsmouth. Office suite for 6, court and jury room	1 office in Winchester for 11 incl Senior Coroner. 2 small inquest rooms and use of Council Chamber for larger inquests	Winchester and Portsmouth (Basingstoke Office to close)
Employer of coroner's officers'	Hampshire County Council plus CO currently employed by Senior Coroner	Portsmouth City Council	Hampshire County Council	Hampshire County Council
Name of senior coroner	Andrew Bradley	David Horsley	Grahame Short	To be appointed
Number of area coroners	0	0	0	2
Number of assistant coroners	3	4	4	5
Number of coroner's officers	1	4.5 (4.04 FTE)	6	11.5 (10.04 FTE)

Coroner area	North East Hampshire (Basingstoke)	Portsmouth & South East Hampshire	Central, Southampton & New Forest	Hampshire
Number of administrative support staff	1 (0.6FTE)	2 (1.5 FTE)	3 (2.8 FTE)	6 (4.9 FTE)
Number of deaths reported in the previous calendar year	1,456	2,643	Central: 1493 Southampton & NF: 2205	7797
Inquests held in the previous calendar year	163	289	Central: 174 Southampton & NF: 236	862
Post mortem rate as % of reported deaths in the previous calendar year	31%	40%	Central: 33% Southampton & NF: 36%	Average 35%

• It would be helpful if you would also attach maps of the area showing the current position and the position in the event of a merger. Both maps should show details of for instance inquest venues, hospitals, prisons and transport links.

Please see Annex C and D for maps.

SENIOR CORONER APPOINTMENT

 Why are you seeking a merger now (ie which area's senior coroner is stepping down, when and why)?

The merger is predicated by the retirement of three Senior Coroners in year; Mr Andrew Bradley, Mr David Horsley and Mr Grahame Short. See below for details;

Mr Andrew Bradley, Senior Coroner for the part time jurisdiction of North East Hampshire retired at the end of June 2019. Hampshire County Council is the relevant local authority for this area, providing full funding.

Mr David Horsley, Senior Coroner for the jurisdiction of Portsmouth and South East Hampshire has also announced his intention to retire at the end of October 2019. Whilst Portsmouth City Council (PCC) are the lead local authority for this area, with Hampshire County Council providing funding for the number of deaths which occur within the South East Hampshire boundaries, PCC have recently confirmed support from their Cabinet for a merged jurisdiction with Hampshire County Council to form a wider Hampshire area.

Mr Grahame Short, Senior Coroner for Central Hampshire is also Acting Senior Coroner for Central Southampton and New Forest and, as of 1 July, the Acting Senior Coroner for North East Hampshire, providing cover following Mr Bradley's

retirement. This is an interim arrangement pending a decision relating to the proposed merger to form a new Hampshire Jurisdiction. However, Mr Short has also now announced his decision to retire at end October, thus providing the potential to form a new (merged) jurisdiction comprising Central Hampshire, Southampton & New Forest, North East Hampshire and Portsmouth and South East Hampshire. If approved, the intention would be to reduce the number of Senior Coroners across the jurisdiction to just one.

Hampshire County Council is presently seeking to appoint a new Senior Coroner. Whilst in the first instance the appointed person would take responsibility for the jurisdictions of Central Hampshire, Southampton & New Forest, and North East Hampshire, it is anticipated that subject to the necessary approvals for a single merged jurisdiction to include Portsmouth & South East Hampshire, they would take on the full Hampshire area in due course.

This merger is proposed to follow national policy established by the Chief Coroner to merge smaller coronial areas and to replace part time and acting Coroners with full time equivalents with a much larger case load.

How do you propose to appoint the senior coroner for the new merged area –
 (i.e. does the relevant authority propose to appoint one of the senior coroners
 from the affected areas or to hold an open competition)?

Hampshire County Council has recently advertised for the appointment of a new Senior Coroner for the existing jurisdictions of Central Hampshire, Southampton & New Forest and North East Hampshire. Upon appointment it is anticipated that the appointee would also take the acting role of Senior Coroner for the existing jurisdiction of Portsmouth & South East Hampshire.

In order to provide the necessary resilience, it is the intention of Hampshire County Council to seek the approval of both the Chief Coroner and the Ministry of Justice to appoint a single interim Senior Coroner with responsibility for the four existing jurisdictions whilst the process of a single merged jurisdiction is considered and Statutory Instrument prepared. If there is a gap between the retirement of existing Senior Coroners and appointment of the new Senior Coroner it is proposed that this should be covered by an Acting Interim Senior Coroner, appointed by the Chief Coroner.

Based on the 2018 Ministry of Justice reports, the total caseload for Central Hampshire and Southampton and New Forest is 3698 deaths per annum, therefore with the addition of North East Hampshire at 1456 deaths per annum, and Portsmouth & South East Hampshire at 2645 deaths, the total number of deaths would rise to 7799.

A further open competition will be held to appoint 1-2 Area Coroners for the merged areas with the approval of the Chief Coroner and the Ministry of Justice.

• Are all affected senior coroners aware of and content with this approach?

All three Senior Coroners are aware of this approach, though none are directly affected as they are all retiring or have already retired.

IMPACT OF PROPOSED MERGER ON SERVICE DELIVERY

What will be the impact of the proposed merger on service delivery?

The merger will have a positive impact on service delivery. It will afford an opportunity to put a keen focus on improving services to be eaved families, whilst retaining high quality and consistent services for local people.

An opportunity presents to seek efficiencies through the standardisation of processes and procedures across the merged jurisdiction. This will be achieved under the leadership of a single Senior Coroner. Harmonisation of working practices will be successfully navigated by identifying best practice across the merged jurisdiction, working with members of the team to drive positive change and bring economies of scale.

Hampshire is a large geographically spread county and there is no intention to change current arrangements for inquests which will continue to be held in Basingstoke, Winchester and Portsmouth. The significant benefit of a merged jurisdiction will be that families will be offered improved choice around the location of the inquest i.e. if a family lives in Portsmouth and the inquest is scheduled to be held in Basingstoke, they may opt for this to move to Portsmouth.

Will additional coronial or administrative support be provided in the new area?
 (eg. will additional coroners need to be recruited or will workloads be increased/redistributed etc? How will additional caseloads be managed?)

The merged area will deal with approximately 7800 deaths per annum based on the last calendar year Ministry of Justice Return (2018).

Hampshire County Council (HCC) provides coroners officers and administrative support to three areas at present, with the team being based in Winchester. It is expected that the existing officers and administration staff provided by Portsmouth City Council will be subject to TUPE/COSOP rules, enabling them to be employed by HCC following a consultation process. There are no plans to permanently relocate the support team from their existing premises in Portsmouth. It is anticipated the consultation will commence Autumn '19. The merger will also present opportunities for staff to work across two offices, and for some this may be their preference due to geographical location. This will benefit the jurisdiction in terms of office integration and resilience.

 What will be the impact of the merger on associated services – such as postmortem examinations, and mortuary provision?

Body storage and post mortem facilities are currently based at four NHS hospitals across the county in North East Hampshire County Hospital (Basingstoke), Royal Hampshire County Hospital (Winchester), University Hospital Southampton, and Queen Alexandra Hospital (Portsmouth).

Body removals will continue to these four hospitals.

Post mortems will continue to be carried out at these hospitals.

Due to the existing close working relationships of Coroners across all areas and the unification of Hampshire under one police force and ambulance provider, a new Sudden Death policy was implemented on May 1st 2019. It is anticipated that this will result in a reduction in the number of deceased persons being removed to mortuaries by up to 20%, thereby reducing mortuary storage costs, removal fees and staff time.

• How will the relevant local authority administer the new coroner area?

Hampshire County Council proposes to be the relevant local authority for the new coroner area and therefore be responsible for full administration including the appointment of Senior and Area Coroners and employment of coroner's support staff.

Discussions are being progressed to determine an equitable charging methodology which will be applied between Portsmouth and Hampshire, replacing existing arrangements.

 How will administrative governance be achieved between the relevant local authority and other funding local authorities?

Hampshire County Council, Southampton City Council and Portsmouth City Council have a well-established and positive working relationship that has operated successfully for many years.

On approval of the merger, all three local authorities will enter into legally binding agreement that clearly sets out the provision of the service, accountability, responsibilities, monitoring arrangements and financial arrangements.

How will the affected local authorities manage budgets?

Hampshire County Council will be the relevant local authority for the merged area and therefore will take responsibility for effectively managing the overall budget.

Existing contractual arrangements currently in place with Portsmouth City Council will be managed by Hampshire County Council upon merger and when these come to an end, it is hoped that new procurement of services will achieve economies of scale and create financial savings which will benefit all three authorities.

IMPACT OF MERGER ON THOSE WORKING IN / WITH THE SERVICE

- What will be the impact of the merger on:
 - Coroners (eg. will the workloads of the Senior Coroner, Area Coroner (if applicable) and assistant coroners be affected? Will all existing assistant coroners transfer to the new area? Are the current assistant coroners all currently working and being trained? Do they or will they all have the Chief Coroner's recommended 15 days a year of work?)

Due to the scale and average number of deaths for the merged area, it is proposed for the Senior Coroner will be supported by 1-2 new Area Coroners plus several Assistant Coroners. All existing Assistant Coroners would transfer to the new area. It is noted that two of the existing Assistant Coroners are already appointed to work in both Portsmouth & South East and also in the Central and Southampton jurisdictions. The current Assistant Coroners are all currently working and being trained, and all work the minimum of 15 days per year.

o Coroners' officers

Hampshire County Council currently employs the Coroner's Officers for Central Hampshire and Southampton & New Forest and an administrator in Basingstoke. The staff currently based in Winchester will remain as at present and the Administrator from Basingstoke has recently transferred to the Winchester Office. Two new appointments have recently been made to Coroners Officer roles and both new candidates will commence their employ in September will be based in Winchester.

Portsmouth and South East Hampshire Coroner's Officers and administrative staff are employed by Portsmouth City Council (PCC). Following the decision of PCC, they will be subject to TUPE/COSOP in advance of their transfer to the employ of Hampshire County Council. Whilst increased flexibility will be required in order to introduce improved workload consistency across existing jurisdictions, there are no plans for staff to relocate from existing offices in Portsmouth. Now that the coroner's service is becoming more digitally enabled, working across different locations is made possible, particularly as coronial decisions and signatures are made via the electronic case management system (WPC). This system operates across all four existing jurisdictions and it is hoped that in due course, the majority of referrals will be received electronically, thereby reducing the current level of calls in to the service.

Other staff in the coroner's offices

Court hearings will continue to be held in both Basingstoke, Winchester and Portsmouth and therefore existing resource requirements will remain as at present when court is sitting.

Pathologists

Post mortems will continue to take place in Winchester, Basingstoke, Southampton and Portsmouth so therefore the pathologists will continue as at present.

Others?

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS OF MERGER

- What will be the impact of the merger on resources in terms of:
 - Costs of delivering the service existing costs and predicted costs for amalgamated area (see tables in **Annex A** which may assist with this)
 - Accommodation for staff

The office accommodation in Basingstoke has now closed, with resource transferring to Winchester. Basingstoke inquests have historically been held in the law courts, but have now moved to the civil Registration Service building in Basingstoke (directly opposite to the law courts). This new approach will ensure the continuous provision of

high-quality environments in which inquests can be held whilst delivering savings to HCC in terms of the cost of room hire.

There will be savings in terms of Coroners salary due to a reduction from three Senior Coroners to one Senior with 1 - 2 Area Coroners.

Having one team under the leadership and guidance of a single Senior Coroner will provide resilience along with streamlined processes and procedures and consistent high-quality service delivery to be eaved families. This will be achieved whilst retaining all existing local Coroner services.

When contracts reach the point of renewal, the larger merged jurisdiction will provide economies of scale.

Inquest accommodation

Inquests will continue to be held in Basingstoke, Winchester and Portsmouth therefore the merger will not impact existing service levels. Local services will always be maintained as a priority for local people.

Savings will be made, as detailed above, in holding inquests in registration ceremony rooms in Basingstoke, rather than in the law courts.

o IT

Both PCC and HCC use the WPC case management system. Discussions will be held with this provider to unify the contracts and for the systems to merge, allowing all staff and Coroners to see cases for the entire merged area. This approach will offer improved resilience as the whole team will be able to support cases as appropriate across the merged jurisdiction.

 Post mortem examination costs (including transport and storage) for each area

Deceased persons will continue to be removed to mortuaries in Basingstoke, Winchester, Southampton and Portsmouth so therefore the transport and storage arrangements are not expected to change, other than that the Portsmouth and South East Hampshire removal contracts and NHS Trust contract will be transferred to Hampshire County Council.

Post mortem examinations will continue to be held within the hospital trusts using hospital pathologists.

o Any other costs / savings?

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

 Are you aware of any legal issues that need to be resolved before a merger can go ahead (in addition to the Lord Chancellor making an order under Schedule 2 of the 2009 Act)? If so please give details.

No.

VIEWS OF THOSE AFFECTED BY MERGER

• Do all affected local authorities support the merger? Please provide details.

Hampshire County Council, Southampton City Council and Portsmouth City Council all support the proposed merger.

 Have the local authority councillors / cabinets approved the merger? Please provide details.

Please see link to PCC Cabinet Report:

https://hants-

my.sharepoint.com/personal/rscrrw_hants_gov_uk/Documents/My%20Documents/Merger/Proposed%20Coroner%20Area%20Merger%20Cabinet%20report.pdf

• What is the view of affected coroners and their staff?

All three current Senior Coroners will be retiring and are aware of the proposed merger which has come about as a result of their retirements.

All existing support staff are being consulted with as part of the process.

• How will be reaved people be affected by the merger – eg travelling to inquests, being able to contact coroners' offices?

Bereaved families will benefit from the merger in that the whole county will be operating under unified processes and procedures, whilst local services will remain in the heart of communities as at present. Staff located in Winchester and Portsmouth will take cases for the whole merged area, which will provide improved resilience Inquests will remain in locations where they are being held currently.

 Have you sought the views of other affected stakeholders - such as police authority and constabulary, hospitals, prisons, GPs, faith groups and funeral directors? Please provide details.

Please see consultation document provided with business case.

What are the views of other stakeholders?

See above.

 What impact will the merger have in terms of disability, gender and racial equality? There will be no adverse impact and services will continue to be offered equally to all sectors of society. Please see link for full Equality Impact Assessment:

Equality Impact Statement

RISKS AND MITIGATING ACTIONS

Please provide details of any risks identified and mitigating action (to be) taken.

No risks have been identified at this stage.

ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S)

 Please describe other options considered, in addition to the proposed merger, and the advantages and disadvantages for each option.

<u>ALTERNATIVE OPTION ONE</u>: Coroner Jurisdictions remain the same with Portsmouth City Council appointing a like for like Senior Coroner

Advantages:

- Portsmouth City Council have civic pride in hosting a coroner's service
- Continuity of service for Portsmouth and South East Hampshire coroners support staff

Disadvantages:

- The retirement of the Senior Coroner for Portsmouth and South East Hampshire offers the opportunity for the whole of the Hampshire County Council Local Authority area to be coterminous with that of the coroner's jurisdiction. Under the existing laws as dictated by the Coroner's and Justice Act 2009, a merger of coroner areas must contain the whole of a local authority area or more than one local authority area.
- Financial savings will not be made as discussed in sections above

<u>ALTERNATIVE OPTION TWO</u>: South East Hampshire and Portsmouth City Council separate leaving South East Hampshire to merge with the three existing jurisdictions with Portsmouth City Council remaining a separate jurisdiction of itself

Advantages:

- Portsmouth would retain civic pride in hosting a separate coroner's jurisdiction

Disadvantages:

- Portsmouth City Council area deals with 1500 per annum and therefore would be considered too small and would not reflect both the Chief Coroner and Ministry of Justice recommendations to reduce the number of small and part time coronial jurisdictions
- Due to the reduction in size of the area, staff redundancies would potentially need to be considered by Portsmouth City Council

ALTERNATIVE OPTION THREE: Portsmouth City Council merges with the Isle of Wight

Advantages:

- Portsmouth City Council already have an existing cross organisational relationship with the Isle of Wight Council
- Portsmouth shares transport links with the Isle of Wight
- Opportunity for savings to be made by the Isle of Wight (reduction in long inquest payments compared to a salaried Coroner position)

Disadvantages:

- Portsmouth City Council do not support this as an option moving forward
- The Isle of Wight already has an existing part time Senior Coroner who would need to be considered

CONTACT WITH THE CHIEF CORONER'S OFFICE / MINISTRY OF JUSTICE / CONSULTEES

- Have you had previous discussions with the Chief Coroner on the proposed merger? (This is a requirement before MoJ can formally consult on the merger.) Please provide details of the discussion.
- Have you had previous contact with MoJ on the proposed merger? Please provide details.

A meeting was held on 7th February 2019 at the Royal Courts of Justice between the Chief Coroner, Ministry of Justice, Senior Coroners and representatives from both Hampshire County Council and Portsmouth City Council. The Chief Coroner, along with representatives from the MoJ, expressed their support for a merger of the four existing coronial areas.

A representative from the Chief Coroner's Office was involved in recent interviews for the Senior Coroner appointment. Subsequent dialogue has been progressed regarding the proposed merger, and a telephone conference was held involving representatives from the office of the Chief Coroner, Ministry of Justice and Hampshire County Council on 18 July 2019.

Are you happy for this business case in its entirety to be sent to all consultees?
 If not please provide details.

Yes

- Please list consultees for the consultation on the proposed merger the
 organisation's name and the most appropriate email address at **Annex B**.
 MoJ will remove email addresses from **Annex B** before sending the business
 case to consultees.
- Further information on the merger process is available in the form of Chief Coroner guidance at: http://www.judiciary.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/guidance-14-mergers-of-coroner-areas.pdf.

Annex A

Resource implications of the merger

Table A: Details of current Senior Coroners and Area Coroner/s (if applicable) in each existing coroner area

Position (eg Senior Coroner, Area Coroner)	First name	Surname	Current salary (including National Insurance and pension contributions)	Long Inquest Payments (if applicable) or other additional payments	Proposed salary in amalgamate d area (if applicable) (including National Insurance and pension contributions)
Senior Coroner - Central, Southampton,	Grahame	Short	2018/19: £159,963 2017/18:	2018/19: £0 2017/18: £0	New Senior Coroner salary to be agreed by the LA
New Forest		£139,794			
Senior Coroner - Portsmouth and South East Hampshire	Horsley	2018/19: £157,400	2018/19: £0	New single Area Coroner	
	Bavia	riorsiey	2017/18: £144,870	2017/18: £0	salary to be agreed by the LA
Senior Coroner - North East Hampshire (Basingstoke)	Andrew	Prodlov	2018/19: £72,292	2018/19: £0	New single Area Coroner
	Andrew	Bradley	2017/18: £76,932	2017/18: £0	salary to be agreed by the LA

Table B: Office costs

Coroner area	North East Hampshire (Basingstoke)	Portsmouth & South East Hampshire	Central, Southampton & New Forest	Hampshire
Fees for Assistant Coroner(s)	£0	£41,000	£27,136	Due to the appointment of an Area Coroner, it is expected that there will be a requirement to appoint an additional Assistant Coroner
Salary costs of Coroner's officer(s) (including National Insurance and pension contributions)	£37,109	£162,500	£182,475	£382,084
Salary costs of administrative staff (including National Insurance and pension contributions)	£14,966	£41,400	£103,666	£132,646,.51 (minus x2 admin from Central)
Staff accommodation	£13,433	£45,000	£15,000	£60,000 (Basingstoke office to close)
Inquest accommodation	£980	-	-	-
IT costs	£5,691	£17,100	£18,091	£40,882 (potential savings to be made in amalgamated case management contract)
Post mortem/Pathol ogist costs etc	£272, 395	£770,300	£814,745	£1,857,440

Coroner area	North East Hampshire (Basingstoke)	Portsmouth & South East Hampshire	Central, Southampton & New Forest	Hampshire
Other costs?	£5,684	£21,400	£12,415	£39,499 (potential savings to be made with economies of scale)

Annex B

List of consultees

[Please include:

- All effected Senior Coroners, Area Coroners and Assistant Coroners in the areas in question;
- relevant local authority contacts from all neighbouring coroner areas (MoJ can assist with this if necessary);
- all MP's with constituencies within the effected coroner areas;
- pathologist contacts;
- representatives of local funeral directors within the effected coroner areas;
- representatives from hospitals and/or prisons within the area;
- the Chief Coroner (MoJ will have the relevant contact details)
- local police contacts(MoJ can assist with this if necessary and will include a national ACPO contact as standard))

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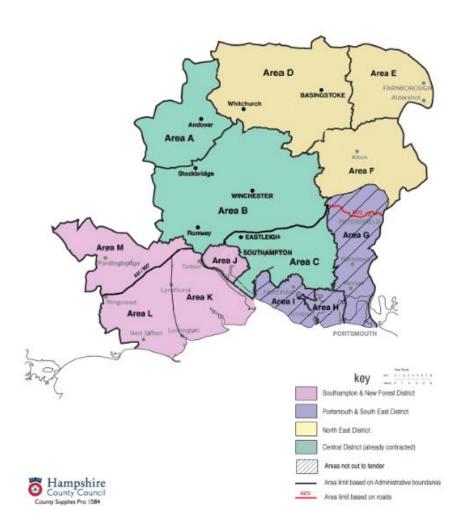
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Annex C: Map of Existing Coronial Jurisdictions

• Coroner's

Offices and court facilities currently in Basingstoke, Winchester and Portsmouth

• Major hospitals in Basingstoke, Winchester, Southampton and Portsmouth



Annex D: Proposed Merged Coronial Jurisdiction (excl. IoW)



- Court facilities remain in Basingstoke, Winchester and Portsmouth
- Office facilities in Winchester and Portsmouth