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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 321 (C. 16)**

**EDUCATION  
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH**

**The Higher Education and Research Act 2017  
(Commencement Order No. 6) Regulations 2020**

*Made - - - - 19th March 2020*

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 124(5) of the Higher Education and Research Act 2017(1).

**Citation**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Higher Education and Research Act 2017 (Commencement No. 6) Regulations 2020.

**Commencement of provisions**

2. The following provisions of the Higher Education and Research Act 2017 come into force on 30th March 2020—

- (a) section 109(1)(g);
- (b) section 109(2) to the extent it applies to the Science and Technology Facilities Council which ceases to exist by virtue of paragraph (a);
- (c) section 122(2) to the extent it applies to paragraph (d);
- (d) in Schedule 12 (minor and consequential amendments relating to Part 3)—
  - (i) paragraph 4(2)(a) (to the extent it applies to the Science and Technology Facilities Council);
  - (ii) paragraph 4(2)(c) (insofar as not already commenced);
  - (iii) paragraph 5 (to the extent it applies to the Science and Technology Facilities Council);
  - (iv) paragraph 11 (insofar as it relates to the Chair or Chief Executive of the Science and Technology Facilities Council);

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(v) paragraph 12 (to the extent it applies to the Science and Technology Facilities Council).

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Strategy

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations are the sixth commencement Regulations made under the Higher Education and Research Act 2017 (c. 29).

The commencement of section 109(1)(g) causes the Science and Technology Facilities Council to cease to exist.

The commencement of section 109(2) to the extent that it applies to the Science and Technology Facilities Council causes its Royal Charter (and supplemental Royal Charter) to be revoked.

Minor and consequential provisions in Schedule 12 are also commenced.

These provisions are commenced on 30th March 2020.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

The following provisions of the Higher Education and Research Act 2017 have been brought into force by Commencement Regulations made before the date of these Regulations.

| <i>Provision</i>                          | <i>Date of Commencement</i> | <i>S.I. No.</i>           |
|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Section 1                                 | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/788</a>  |
| Section 2                                 | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/1146</a> |
| Section 3(1), (7), (8) and (10) partially | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/1146</a> |
| Section 3 (remainder)                     | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Sections 4 to 12                          | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Section 13(1), (2) and (3) (partially)    | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/1146</a> |
| Section 13 (remainder)                    | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Section 14                                | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Section 15                                | 1st August 2019             | <a href="#">2018/1226</a> |
| Sections 16 and 17                        | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Sections 18 (partially)                   | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Section 18 (remainder)                    | 1st August 2019             | <a href="#">2018/1226</a> |
| Sections 19 and 20                        | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Section 21                                | 1st August 2019             | <a href="#">2018/1226</a> |
| Section 22                                | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Section 23 (partially)                    | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/1146</a> |
| Section 23 (remainder)                    | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |

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| Section 24                        | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 25                        | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 26                        | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 27                        | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 28                        | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 29(2) (partially) and (4) | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 29 (remainder)            | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 30 (partially)            | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 30 (remainder)            | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 31 (partially)            | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 31 (remainder)            | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 32 (partially)            | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 32 (remainder)            | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 33 to 35                  | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 36 (partially)            | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 36 (remainder)            | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 37                        | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 38                        | 1st August 2019             | 2018/1226       |
| Sections 39 to 41                 | 1st January 2019            | 2018/1226       |
| Section 42(1) and (3) (partially) | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 42 (remainder)            | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 43                        | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 44(5) (partially)         | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 44 (remainder)            | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 45(1) and (7) (partially) | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 45 (remainder)            | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Section 46 (partially)            | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |
| Section 46 (remainder)            | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Sections 47 to 49                 | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Sections 50 and 51                | 1st August 2019             | 2018/1226       |
| Sections 53 to 55                 | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Sections 56 and 57                | 1st April 2019              | 2018/1226       |
| Sections 58 to 61                 | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241        |
| Sections 62(1) to (4)             | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146       |

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| Section 62 (remainder)   | 1st January 2019            | 2018/1226                       |
| Section 63   | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Section 64 (partially)   | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Section 64 (remainder)   | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241                        |
| Section 65 (partially)   | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Section 65 (remainder)   | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241                        |
| Section 66(1) (partially) and (2)(a)                                   | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Section 66 (remainder)   | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241                        |
| Sections 67 to 69  | 1st August 2019             | 2018/1226                       |
| Section 70   | 1st January 2019            | 2018/1226                       |
| Section 71   | 1st August 2019             | 2018/1226                       |
| Section 72 (but not to the extent it refers to anything in section 71) | 1st January 2019            | 2018/1226                       |
| Section 72 (remainder)   | 1st August 2019             | 2018/1226                       |
| Section 73   | 1st August 2019             | 2018/1226                       |
| Section 74   | 1st January 2019            | 2018/1226                       |
| Section 75   | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Section 76   | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241                        |
| Section 77   | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Section 78   | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Sections 79 to 82  | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241                        |
| Section 83   | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Section 84   | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241                        |
| Section 85(1) to (3)   | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Section 85 (remainder)   | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241                        |
| Sections 88 and 89   | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241 and<br>2018/415 (W.73) |
| Section 90   | 1st August 2019             | 2018/1226                       |
| Sections 91 to 108   | 30th March 2018             | 2018/241                        |
| Section 109(3) and (4)   | 30th March 2018             | 2018/241                        |
| Section 109 (partially)  | 31st October 2018           | 2018/1054                       |
| Section 111  | 30th March 2018             | 2018/241                        |
| Section 112 to 114   | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241                        |
| Section 118  | 1st January 2018            | 2017/1146                       |
| Section 122(1) (partially) and (2) (partially)                         | 1st April 2018              | 2018/241                        |

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| Section 122(1) (remainder)    | 1st August 2019             | <a href="#">2018/1226</a> |
| Section 122(2) (partially)    | 31st October 2018           | <a href="#">2018/1054</a> |
| Schedule 1                    | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/788</a>  |
| Schedule 2                    | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Schedule 3                    | 1st August 2019             | <a href="#">2018/1226</a> |
| Schedule 4 Parts 1 and 3      | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/1146</a> |
| Schedule 4 Part 2 (partially) | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/1146</a> |
| Schedule 4 Part 2 (remainder) | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Schedule 5                    | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Schedule 6 Parts 1 and 3      | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/1146</a> |
| Schedule 6 (remainder)        | 1st January 2019            | <a href="#">2018/1226</a> |
| Schedule 7                    | 1st August 2019             | <a href="#">2018/1226</a> |
| Schedule 8                    | 1st August 2019             | <a href="#">2018/1226</a> |
| Schedule 9                    | 30th March 2018             | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Schedule 10                   | 1st January 2018            | <a href="#">2017/1146</a> |
| Schedule 11 (partially)       | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Schedule 11 (partially)       | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Schedule 11 (remainder)       | 1st August 2019             | <a href="#">2018/1226</a> |
| Schedule 12 (partially)       | 1st April 2018              | <a href="#">2018/241</a>  |
| Schedule 12 (partially)       | 31st October 2018           | <a href="#">2018/1054</a> |