
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999 No. 2926

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The District of West Wiltshire (Electoral Changes) Order 1999

Made - - - - 22nd October 1999

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

Whereas the Local Government Commission for England, acting pursuant to section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 1992⁽¹⁾, has submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated March 1999 on its review of the district of West Wiltshire together with its recommendations:

And whereas the Secretary of State has decided to give effect to those recommendations:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 17⁽²⁾ and 26 of the Local Government Act 1992, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the District of West Wiltshire (Electoral Changes) Order 1999.

(2) This Order shall come into force—

- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on 1st May 2003, on 10th October 2002;
- (b) for all other purposes, on 1st May 2003.

(3) In this Order—

“district” means the district of West Wiltshire;

“existing”, in relation to a ward, means the ward as it exists on the date this Order is made; and any reference to the map is a reference to the map prepared by the Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions marked “Map of the District of West Wiltshire (Electoral Changes) Order 1999”, and deposited in accordance with regulation 27 of the Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994⁽³⁾.

(1) 1992 c. 19.

(2) Section 17 is amended by section 39(4) and (5) of the Police and Magistrates' Courts Act 1994 (c. 29).

(3) S.I.1994/867, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

Wards of West Wiltshire

2.—(1) The existing wards of the district⁽⁴⁾ shall be abolished.

(2) The district shall be divided into twenty-five wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 1.

(3) The wards shall comprise the areas described in column (2) of that Schedule by reference to parishes, or parish wards, or parishes and parish wards or, where no area is so described, the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by red lines; and the number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be the number specified in respect of the ward in column (3) of that Schedule.

(4) Where a boundary is shown on the map as running along a road, railway line, footway, waterway or similar geographical feature, it shall be treated as running along the centre line of the feature.

Wards of the parish of Bradford-on-Avon

3.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Bradford-on-Avon shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 2; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2) of that Schedule, and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be six.

Wards of the parish of Melksham

4.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Melksham shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into three parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 3; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2) of that Schedule, and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be the number specified in respect of the parish ward in column (3) of that Schedule.

Wards of the parish of Melksham Without

5.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Melksham Without shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 4; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2) of that Schedule, and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be the number specified in respect of the parish ward in column (3) of that Schedule.

Wards of the parish of Trowbridge

6.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Trowbridge shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into five parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 5; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2) of that Schedule, and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be four.

(4) See the District of West Wiltshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1979 (S.I. 1979/1108).

Wards of the parish of Warminster

7.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Warminster shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 6; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2) of that Schedule, and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be six.

Wards of the parish of Westbury

8.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Westbury shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 7; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2) of that Schedule, and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be eight.

Revocation

9. The District of West Wiltshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1979 is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions

Beverley Hughes
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of the Environment Transport and
the Regions

22nd October 1999

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SCHEDULE 1

Article 2

NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of Ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Description of area</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Number of councillors</i>
Atworth and Whitley		1
Bradford-on-Avon North		2
Bradford-on-Avon South		2
Dilton Marsh	The parishes of Chapmanslade, Corsley, Dilton Marsh, North Bradley and Upton Scudamore	2
Ethandune	The parishes of Bratton Coulston and Edington and the parish ward of Heywood Village of the parish of Heywood	1
Holt	The parishes of Broughton Gifford and Holt	1
Manor Vale	The parishes of Limpley Stoke, Monkton Farleigh, South Wraxall, Westwood and Winsley	2
Melksham North		2
Melksham Spa		2
Melksham Without		2
Melksham Woodrow		1
Mid Wylve Valley	The parishes of Boyton, Chitterne, Codford, Heytesbury, Knook, Sherrington, Stockton and Upton Lovell	1
Paxcroft	The parishes of Hilperton, Semington and Staverton	2
Shearwater	The parishes of Bishopston, Brixton Deverill, Horningsham, Kingston Deverill, Longbridge Deverill, Norton Bavant and Sutton Veny	1
Southwick and Wingfield	The parishes of Southwick and Wingfield	1
Summerham	The parishes of Bulkington, Great Hinton, Keevil, Steeple Ashton and West Ashton	1

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<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of Ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Description of area</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Number of councillors</i>
Trowbridge Adcroft		2
Trowbridge College		2
Trowbridge Drynham		2
Trowbridge John of Gaunt		2
Trowbridge Park		2
Warminster East		3
Warminster West		3
Westbury Ham		2
Westbury Laverton		2

SCHEDULE 2

Article 3

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF BRADFORD-ON-AVON: NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Area of Ward</i>
Bradford-on-Avon North	So much of the district ward of Bradford-on-Avon North as comprises part of the parish of Bradford-on-Avon
Bradford-on-Avon South	So much of the district ward of Bradford-on-Avon South as comprises part of the parish of Bradford-on-Avon

SCHEDULE 3

Article 4

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF MELKSHAM: NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Area of ward</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Number of councillors</i>
Melksham North	So much of the district ward of Melksham North as comprises part of the parish of Melksham	6
Melksham Spa	So much of the district ward of Melksham Spa as comprises part of the parish of Melksham	6
Melksham Woodrow	The district ward of Melksham Woodrow	3

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SCHEDULE 4

Article 5

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF MELKSHAM WITHOUT: NAMES
AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Area of ward</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Number of councillors</i>
Beanacre and Bowerhill	So much of the district ward of Melksham Without as comprises part of the parish of Melksham Without	10
Shaw and Whitley	So much of the district ward of Atworth and Whitley as comprises part of the parish of Melksham Without	3

SCHEDULE 5

Article 6

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF TROWBRIDGE: NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Area of ward</i>
Trowbridge Adcroft	The district ward of Trowbridge Adcroft
Trowbridge College	The district ward of Trowbridge College
Trowbridge Drynham	The district ward of Trowbridge Drynham
Trowbridge John of Gaunt	The district ward of Trowbridge John of Gaunt
Trowbridge Park	The district ward of Trowbridge Park

SCHEDULE 6

Article 7

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF WARMINSTER: NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Area of ward</i>
Warminster East	The district ward of Warminster East
Warminster West	The district ward of Warminster West

SCHEDULE 7

Article 8

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF WESTBURY: NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Area of ward</i>
Ham	So much of the district ward of Westbury Ham as comprises part of the parish of Westbury
Laverton	The district ward of Westbury Laverton

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations by the Local Government Commission for England for electoral changes in the district of West Wiltshire. The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after 1st May 2003.

Article 2 abolishes all of the existing wards of the district and provides for the creation of 25 new wards. That article and Schedule 1 also make provision for the names and areas of, and numbers of councillors for, the new wards.

Articles 3 to 8 make electoral changes in the parishes of Bradford-on-Avon, Melksham, Melksham Without, Trowbridge, Warminster and Westbury.

Articles 9 revokes the District of West Wiltshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1979.

The areas of the new district and parish wards are demarcated on the map described in article 1(3). Prints of the map may be inspected at all reasonable times at the offices of West Wiltshire District Council and at the offices of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, 2nd Floor, Ashdown House, 123 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6DE.