
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 2506

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

**The Borough of Stockton-on-Tees
(Electoral Changes) Order 2003**

*Made - - - - 29th September 2003
Coming into force in accordance with articles 1(2) and
1(3)*

Whereas the Boundary Committee for England⁽¹⁾, acting pursuant to section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 1992⁽²⁾, has submitted to the Electoral Commission⁽³⁾ recommendations dated March 2003 on its review of the borough⁽⁴⁾ of Stockton-on-Tees:

And whereas the Electoral Commission have decided to give effect to those recommendations:

And whereas a period of not less than six weeks has expired since the receipt of those recommendations:

Now, therefore, the Electoral Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 17⁽⁵⁾ and 26⁽⁶⁾ of the Local Government Act 1992, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees (Electoral Changes) Order 2003.

(2) This Order, with the exception of articles 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, shall come into force —

- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on the ordinary day of elections in 2005, on the day after that on which it is made;
- (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of elections in 2005.

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- (1) The Boundary Committee for England is a committee of the Electoral Commission, established by the Electoral Commission in accordance with section 14 of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41). The Local Government Commission for England (Transfer of Functions) Order 2001 (S.I.2001/3962) transferred to the Electoral Commission the functions of the Local Government Commission for England.
- (2) 1992 c. 19. This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.
- (3) The Electoral Commission was established by the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41). The functions of the Secretary of State, under sections 13 to 15 and 17 of the Local Government Act 1992, to the extent that they relate to electoral changes within the meaning of that Act, were transferred with modifications to the Electoral Commission on 1st April 2002 (S.I. 2001/3962).
- (4) The non-metropolitan district of Stockton-on-Tees has the status of a borough.
- (5) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962 and also otherwise in ways not relevant to this Order.
- (6) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

- (3) Articles 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 shall come into force —
- (a) for the purposes of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on the ordinary day of elections in 2007, on 15th October 2007;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of elections in 2007.

Interpretation

2. In this Order —

“borough” means the borough of Stockton-on-Tees;

“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 marked “Map referred to in the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees (Electoral Changes) Order 2003”, of which prints are available for inspection at —

- (a) the principal office of the Electoral Commission; and
- (b) the offices of Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council.

Wards of the borough of Stockton-on-Tees

3.—(1) The existing wards of the borough(7) shall be abolished.

(2) The borough shall be divided into twenty-six 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, where an area is not 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, watercourse or similar geographical feature, it shall be treated as running along the centre line of the feature.

Wards of the parish of Grindon

4. The parish of Grindon 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 borough 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 Ingleby Barwick

5.—(1) The parish of Ingleby Barwick shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names Ingleby Barwick East and Ingleby Barwick West; the parish ward of Ingleby Barwick West shall be coterminous with the borough ward of the same name, and the parish ward of Ingleby Barwick East shall consist of the rest of the parish.

(2) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be six.

(7) See the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1976 (S.I. 1976/1053).

Wards of the parish of Thornaby

6. The parish of Thornaby shall be divided into three parish wards which shall bear the names Mandale and Victoria, Stainsby Hill, and Village; and each parish ward shall comprise the area of the borough ward bearing the same name, and the number of councillors to be elected for the parish ward of Mandale and Victoria shall be seven, and for each of the parish wards of Stainsby Hill and Village shall be three.

Wards of the parish of Wolviston

7. The parish of Wolviston shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 3; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the borough 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.

Numbers of parish councillors for the parish of Yarm

8. The number of parish councillors to be elected for the parish of Yarm shall be eleven.

Maps

9. Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council shall make a print of the map marked “Map referred to in the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees (Electoral Changes) Order 2003” available for inspection at its offices by any member of the public at any reasonable time.

Electoral registers

10. The Electoral Registration Officer⁽⁸⁾ for the borough shall make such rearrangement of, or adaptation of, the register of local government electors as may be necessary for the purposes of, and in consequence of, this Order.

Revocation

11. The Borough of Stockton-on-Tees (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1976⁽⁹⁾ is revoked, save for article 8.

Sealed with the seal of the Electoral Commission on the 29th day of September 2003

L.S.

29th September 2003

Sam Younger
Chairman of the Commission

29th September 2003

Jacqui Dixon
Secretary to the Commission

(8) As to electoral registration officers and the register of local government electors, *see* sections 8 to 13 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2).

(9) S.I. 1976/1053.

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SCHEDULE 1

article 3

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>
Billingham Central		2
Billingham East		2
Billingham North		3
Billingham South		2
Billingham West		2
Bishopsgarth and Elm Tree		2
Eaglescliffe		3
Fairfield		2
Grangefield		2
Hardwick		2
Hartburn		2
Ingleby Barwick East		3
Ingleby Barwick West		3
Mandale and Victoria		3
Newtown		2
Northern Parishes		1
Norton North		2
Norton South		2
Norton West		2
Parkfield and Oxbridge		2
Roseworth		2
Stainsby Hill		2
Stockton Town Centre		2
Village		2
Western Parishes	The parishes of Carlton, Elton, Longnewton, Redmarshall, and Stillington and Whitton	1
Yarm	The parishes of Castlelevington, Kirklevington and Yarm	3

SCHEDULE 2

article 4

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF GRINDON

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>
Grindon East	So much of the borough ward of Billingham West as comprises the parish of Grindon	3
Grindon West	So much of the borough ward of Northern Parishes as comprises the parish of Grindon	4

SCHEDULE 3

article 7

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF WOLVISTON

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>
Wolviston East	So much of the borough ward of Billingham North as comprises the parish of Wolviston	7
Wolviston West	So much of the borough ward of Northern Parishes as comprises the parish of Wolviston	3

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations by the Boundary Committee for England, a committee of the Electoral Commission, for electoral changes in the borough of Stockton-on-Tees.

The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of elections in 2005.

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Article 3 abolishes the existing wards of the borough and provides for the creation of twenty-six 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 4 to 8 make electoral changes in the parishes of Grindon, Ingleby Barwick, Thornaby, Wolviston and Yarm.

Article 10 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

Article 11 revokes the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1976, with the exception of article 8.

The areas of the new borough and parish wards are demarcated on the map described in article 2. Prints of the map may be inspected at all reasonable times at the offices of Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council and at the principal office of the Electoral Commission at Trevelyan House, Great Peter Street, London SW1P 2HW.