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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2021 No. 1081 (W. 256)**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WALES**

**The County of Powys (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021**

*Made - - - - 22 September 2021  
Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and  
(3)*

The Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales<sup>(1)</sup> has, in accordance with section 36(5) of the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013<sup>(2)</sup> (“the 2013 Act”), submitted to the Welsh Ministers a report dated March 2019 containing its recommendations for change and the details of its review of the electoral arrangements for the County of Powys.

The Welsh Ministers have, after consideration of the matters referred to and set out in section 37(2) (a) and (c) of the 2013 Act, decided to give effect to those recommendations with modifications.

In accordance with section 37(3) of the 2013 Act, more than 6 weeks have elapsed since those recommendations were submitted to the Welsh Ministers.

The Welsh Ministers make the following Order in exercise of their powers conferred by section 37(1) of the 2013 Act.

**Title and commencement**

1.—(1) The title of this Order is the County of Powys (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.

(2) For any purpose set out in regulation 4(1) of the Regulations, this Order comes into force on 1 October 2021.

(3) For all other purposes, this Order comes into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2022<sup>(3)</sup>.

**Commencement Information**

**II** Art. 1 in force at 1.10.2021 for specified purposes, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

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- (1) The Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales was established by section 53 of, and Schedule 8 to, the Local Government Act 1972 (c. 70) (“the 1972 Act”). Section 53 and Schedule 8 were repealed by section 73(2) of, and Schedule 2 to, the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013 (anaw 4) (“the 2013 Act”). The 2013 Act re-names the Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales as the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales (see section 2).
- (2) 2013 anaw 4.
- (3) The Local Authorities (Change to the Years of Ordinary Elections) (Wales) Order 2019 (S.I. 2019/1269 (W. 220)) amends section 26(1) of the 1972 Act to provide that the year in which the ordinary elections of councillors of local authorities shall take place is 2022 instead of 2021.

**I2** Art. 1 in force at 5.5.2022 for all other purposes, see [art. 1\(3\)](#)

## Interpretation

### 2. In this Order—

“electoral ward” (“*ward etholiadol*”) means any area for which members are elected to Powys County Council;

“the Regulations” (“*y Rheoliadau*”) means the Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976(4);

any reference to a map means one of the 2 maps marked “Map of the County of Powys (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021” deposited in accordance with regulation 5 of the Regulations, labelled “1” and “2”, and a reference to a numbered map is a reference to the map that bears that number;

where a boundary is shown on a map as running along a road, railway line, footway, watercourse or similar geographical feature, it is to be treated as running along the centre line of the feature;

words and expressions used in this Order have the same meaning as they have in Part 3 of the [F1Democracy and Boundary Commission Cymru etc. Act 2013], except so far as a contrary intention appears.

### Textual Amendments

**F1** Words in [art. 2](#) substituted (25.6.2024) by [Senedd Cymru \(Members and Elections\) Act 2024 \(asc 4\)](#), s. 25(1)(a), [Sch. 1 para. 11](#)

### Commencement Information

**I3** Art. 2 in force at 1.10.2021 for specified purposes, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)

**I4** [Art. 2](#) in force at 5.5.2022 for all other purposes, see [art. 1\(3\)](#)

## Electoral arrangements for the County of Powys

**3.—(1)** The electoral wards of the County of Powys, as they exist immediately before the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2022, are abolished.

(2) The County of Powys is divided into 60 electoral wards each bearing the English language name listed in column 1 and the Welsh language name listed in column 2 of the Table in the Schedule to this Order.

(3) Each electoral ward comprises the areas specified in relation to that electoral ward in column 3 of the Table in the Schedule to this Order.

(4) The number of members of the council to be elected for each electoral ward is the number specified in column 4 of the Table in the Schedule to this Order.

(5) The provisions in this Order take precedence over any conflicting provision in any previous statutory instrument made under section 58(2) of the Local Government Act 1972(5).

(4) [S.I. 1976/246](#). Section 74(3) of the 2013 Act provides that the Regulations continue to have effect in relation to orders made under Part 3 of the 2013 Act, as if those orders were made under Part 4 of the 1972 Act.

(5) [1972 c. 70](#); section 58 of the 1972 Act was repealed by section 73(2) of, and Schedule 2 to, the 2013 Act, subject to savings provisions specified in section 74 of the 2013 Act.

**Commencement Information**

- I5** Art. 3 in force at 1.10.2021 for specified purposes, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)  
**I6** [Art. 3](#) in force at 5.5.2022 for all other purposes, see [art. 1\(3\)](#)

**The community of Welshpool: changes to community wards**

- 4.** In the community of Welshpool—
- (a) the part of the Llanerchydol ward shown hatched on Map 1 is transferred to the Castle ward;
  - (b) the part of the Gungrog ward shown cross-hatched on Map 1 is transferred to the Castle ward;
  - (c) the part of the Gungrog ward shown hatched on Map 2 is transferred to the Llanerchydol ward.

**Commencement Information**

- I7** Art. 4 in force at 1.10.2021 for specified purposes, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)  
**I8** [Art. 4](#) in force at 5.5.2022 for all other purposes, see [art. 1\(3\)](#)

**The community of Welshpool: consequential changes to electoral arrangements**

- 5.** In the community of Welshpool—
- (a) the number of members to be elected for the Castle ward is 5;
  - (b) the number of members to be elected for the Gungrog ward is 5;
  - (c) the number of members to be elected for the Llanerchydol ward is 5.

**Commencement Information**

- I9** Art. 5 in force at 1.10.2021 for specified purposes, see [art. 1\(2\)](#)  
**I10** [Art. 5](#) in force at 5.5.2022 for all other purposes, see [art. 1\(3\)](#)

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## SCHEDULE

Article 3

NAMES AND AREAS OF ELECTORAL WARDS  
AND NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

**Commencement Information**

**I11** Sch. in force at 1.10.2021 for specified purposes, see **art. 1(2)**

**I12** Sch. in force at 5.5.2022 for all other purposes, see **art. 1(3)**

**Table**

<i>Column (1)</i>	<i>Column (2)</i>	<i>Column (3)</i>	<i>Column (4)</i>
<i>English language name of electoral ward</i>	<i>Welsh language name of electoral ward</i>	<i>Area of electoral ward</i>	<i>Number of members of the council</i>
Aber-craf and Ystradgynlais	Aber-craf ac Ystradgynlais	The Aber-craf and Ystradgynlais wards of the community of Ystradgynlais	2
Banwy, Llanfihangel and Llanwddyn	Banwy, Llanfihangel a Llanwddyn	The communities of Banwy, Llanfihangel, Llangynog, Llanwddyn, and Pen-y-bont-Fawr	1
Berriew and Castle Caereinion	Aberriw a Chastell Caereinion	The communities of Berriew and Castle Caereinion	1
Brecon East	Dwyrain Aberhonddu	The St. John East and St. Mary wards of the community of Brecon	2
Brecon West	Gorllewin Aberhonddu	The St. David Within and St. John West wards of the community of Brecon	2
Bronllys and Felin-fach	Bronllys a Felin-fach	The communities of Bronllys, Erwood, and Felin-fach	1
Builth	Llanfair-ym-Muallt	The community of Builth	1
Caersws	Caersŵs	The communities of Carno and Caersws	1
Churchstoke	Yr Ystog	The community of Churchstoke	1
Crickhowell with Cwmdu and Tretower	Crucywel gyda Chwm-du a Thretŵr	The Cwmdu and Tretower wards of the community of Cwmdu and District, and the communities of	2

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		Crickhowell and The Vale of Grwyney	
Cwm-twrch	Cwm-twrch	The Cwm-twrch ward of the community of Ystradgynlais	1
Disserth and Trecoed with Newbridge	Diserth a Thre-coed gyda'r Bontnewydd-ar-Wy	The Newbridge ward of the community of Llanyre, and the community of Disserth and Trecoed	1
Dolforwyn	Dolforwyn	The communities of Abermule with Llandyssil, and Bettws Cedewain	1
Forden and Montgomery	Ffordun a Threfaldwyn	The Forden ward of the community of Forden with Leighton and Trelystan, and the community of Montgomery	1
Glantwymyn	Glantwymyn	The communities of Cadfarch and Glantwymyn	1
Glasbury	Y Clas-ar-Wy	The communities of Clyro and Glasbury	1
Guilsfield	Cegidfa	The community of Guilsfield	1
Gwernyfed	Gwernyfed	The communities of Gwernyfed and Llanigon	1
Hay	Y Gelli	The community of Hay	1
Ithon Valley	Dyffryn Ieithon	The communities of Llanbadarn Fawr, Llanbadarn Fynydd, Llanbister, Llanddewi Ystradenny and Penybont	1
Kerry	Ceri	The Kerry and Sarn wards of the community of Kerry	1
Knighton with Beguildy	Trefyclo gyda Bugeildy	The communities of Beguildy and Knighton	2

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Llanafanfawr with Garth	Llanafan-fawr gyda Garth	The Garth ward of the community of Treflys, and the communities of Cilmerly, Duhonw, Llanafanfawr, and Llanwrthwl	1
Llanbrynmair	Llanbrynmair	The communities of Llanbrynmair and Trefeglwys	1
Llandinam with Dolfor	Llandinam gyda Dolfor	The Dolfor ward of the community of Kerry, and the communities of Llandinam, and Mochdre with Penstrowed	1
Llandrindod North	Gogledd Llandrindod	The Llandrindod Wells North ward of the community of Llandrindod Wells	1
Llandrindod South	De Llandrindod	The Llandrindod Wells East, Llandrindod Wells West, Llandrindod Wells South No.1, and the Llandrindod Wells South No.2 wards of the community of Llandrindod Wells	2
Llandrinio	Llandrinio	[ <sup>F2</sup> The communities of Llandrinio, and Bausley with Criggion]	1
Llandysilio	Llandysilio	[ <sup>F3</sup> The communities of Llandysilio and Carreghofa]	1
Llanelwedd	Llanelwedd	The communities of Aberedw, Glascwm, Llanelwedd and Painscastle	1
Llanfair Caereinion and Llanerfyl	Llanfair Caereinion a Llanerfyl	The communities of Llanerfyl and Llanfair Caereinion	1
Llanfyllin	Llanfyllin	The community of Llanfyllin	1

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Llangattock and Llangynidr	Llangatwg a Llangynidr	The communities of Llangattock and Llangynidr	1
Llangors with Bwlch	Llan-gors gyda Bwlch	The Bwlch ward of the community of Cwmdu and District, and the community of Llangors	1
Llangunllo with Norton	Llangynllo gyda Norton	The Norton ward of the community of Presteigne, and the communities of Llanfihangel Rhydithon, Llangunllo, and Whitton	1
Llangyniew and Meifod	Llangynyw a Meifod	The communities of Llangyniew and Meifod	1
Llanidloes	Llanidloes	The communities of Llangurig, Llanidloes Without, and Llanidloes	2
Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant and Llansilin	Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant a Llansilin	The communities of Llangedwyn, Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant, and Llansilin	1
Llansantffraid	Llansantffraid	[ <sup>F4</sup> The communities of Llansantffraid and Llanfechain]	1
Llanwrtyd Wells	Llanwrtyd	The Beulah ward of the community of Treflys, and the communities of Llangamarch and Llanwrtyd Wells	1
Llanyre with Nantmel	Llanllŷr gyda Nantmel	The Llanfihangel Helygen and Llanyre ward of the community of Llanyre, and the communities of Abbey Cwmhir, Nantmel, and St. Harmon	1
Machynlleth	Machynlleth	The community of Machynlleth	1
Maescar and Llywel	Maes-car a Llywel	The communities of Cray, Llywel, and Maescar	1

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Newtown Central and South	Canol a De'r Drenewydd	The Newtown Central and Newtown South wards of the town of Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn	2
Newtown East	Dwyrain Drenewydd	The Newtown East ward of the town of Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn	1
Newtown North	Gogledd Drenewydd	The Llanllwchaiarn North ward of the town of Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn	1
Newtown West	Gorllewin Drenewydd	The Llanllwchaiarn West ward of the town of Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn	1
Old Radnor	Pencraig	The communities of Gladestry, New Radnor, and Old Radnor	1
Presteigne	Llanandras	The Presteigne Town ward of the community of Presteigne	1
Rhayader	Rhaeadr Gwy	The community of Rhayader	1
Rhiwcyon	Rhiwcyon	The communities of Aberhafesp, Dwyriv, Manafon, and Tregynon	1
Talgarth	Talgarth	The community of Talgarth	1
Talybont-on-Usk	Tal-y-bont ar Wysg	The communities of Glyn-Tarell, Llanfrynach, and Talybont-on-Usk	1
Tawe Uchaf	Tawe Uchaf	The communities of Ystradfellte and Tawe-Uchaf	1
Trelystan and Trewern	Trelystan a Threwern	The Trelystan ward of the community of Forden with Leighton and Trelystan, and the community of Trewern	1



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Welshpool Castle	Y Trallwng Castell	The Castle ward of the community of Welshpool	1
Welshpool Gungrog	Y Trallwng Gungrog	The Gungrog ward of the community of Welshpool	1
Welshpool Llanerchydol	Y Trallwng Llanerchydol	The Llanerchydol ward of the community of Welshpool	1
Ynyscedwyn	Ynysgedwyn	The Ynyscedwyn ward of the community of Ystradgynlais	1
Yscir with Honddu Isaf and Llanddew	Ysgir gyda Honddu Isaf a Llan-ddew	The communities of Honddu Isaf, Llanddew, Merthyr Cynog, Trallong, and Yscir	1

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F2** Words in Sch. substituted (10.12.2021) by [The County of Powys \(Electoral Arrangements\) \(Amendment\) Order 2021 \(S.I. 2021/1387\)](#), arts. 1(2), **2(2)**
- F3** Words in Sch. substituted (10.12.2021) by [The County of Powys \(Electoral Arrangements\) \(Amendment\) Order 2021 \(S.I. 2021/1387\)](#), arts. 1(2), **2(3)**
- F4** Words in Sch. substituted (10.12.2021) by [The County of Powys \(Electoral Arrangements\) \(Amendment\) Order 2021 \(S.I. 2021/1387\)](#), arts. 1(2), **2(4)**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order implements the recommendations of the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales (“the Commission”), which reported in March 2019 on its review of the electoral arrangements for the County of Powys. The Commission’s Report proposed a reduction in the number of electoral wards from 73 to 60, and a reduction in the number of councillors from 73 to 68.

This Order implements the Commission’s recommendations, with modifications.

Article 3 of this Order abolishes the existing electoral arrangements for the County of Powys and introduces the Schedule, which sets out the new electoral arrangements for the County of Powys.

**Changes to legislation:** *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The County of Powys (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 4 makes changes to the boundaries between the community wards of Llanerchydol, Gungrog and Castle within the community of Welshpool. Article 5 sets out the number of members to be elected for those wards.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to this Order. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with this Order.

Prints of the maps labelled "1" and "2" to which this Order relates are deposited in the offices of the Welsh Government at Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ (Local Government Democracy Division), and with Powys County Council. Prints deposited with Powys County Council are open to inspection by anyone affected by the provisions of this Order.

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