Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 59(9) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009; draft to lie for forty days pursuant to section 6(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, during which period either House of Parliament may resolve that the Order be not made.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Stratford-on-Avon (Electoral Changes) Order 2014

Made - - - - ***

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

Under section 58(4) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009(a) ("the Act") the Local Government Boundary Commission for England(b) ("the Commission") published a report dated March 2014 stating its recommendations for changes to the electoral arrangements for the district of Stratford-on-Avon. The Commission has decided to give effect to the recommendations.

A draft of the instrument has been laid before Parliament and a period of forty days has expired and neither House has resolved that the instrument be not made.

The Commission makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 59(1) of the Act:

Citation and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Stratford-on-Avon (Electoral Changes) Order 2014.
- (2) This Order comes into force—
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of councillors, on the day after it is made;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2015.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the Stratford-on-Avon (Electoral Changes) Order 2014", prints of which are available for inspection at the principal office of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England;

⁽a) 2009 c.20.

⁽b) The Local Government Boundary Commission for England was established on 1st April 2010 by section 55(1) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.

"ordinary day of election of councillors" has the meaning given by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983(a).

Wards of the district of Stratford-on-Avon and number of councillors

- **3.**—(1) The existing wards of the district of Stratford-on-Avon are abolished.
- (2) The district of Stratford-on-Avon is divided into 36 district wards, each listed by name in the table in Schedule 1.
- (3) Each district ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the district ward.
 - (4) One councillor is to be elected for each district ward.
- (5) Where a boundary is shown on the 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.

Wards of the parish of Alcester and number of councillors

- **4.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Alcester are abolished.
- (2) The parish of Alcester is divided into three parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 1 in Schedule 2.
- (3) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of table 1 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Bidford-on-Avon and number of councillors

- **5.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Bidford-on-Avon are abolished.
- (2) The parish of Bidford-on-Avon is divided into three parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 2 in Schedule 2.
- (3) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of table 2 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Luddington and number of councillors

- **6.**—(1) The parish of Luddington is divided into two parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 3 in Schedule 2.
- (2) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of table 3 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Sambourne and number of councillors

7.—(1) The parish of Sambourne is divided into two parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 4 in Schedule 2.

⁽a) 1983 c.2; section 37 has been amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50), paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c.29) and section 60(1) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (c.28).

- (2) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of table 4 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Shipston-on-Stour and number of councillors

- **8.**—(1) The parish of Shipston-on-Stour is divided into two parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 5 in Schedule 2.
- (2) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of table 5 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Southam and number of councillors

- **9.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Southam are abolished.
- (2) The parish of Southam is divided into four parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 6 in Schedule 2.
- (3) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of table 6 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Stratford-upon-Avon and number of councillors

- **10.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Stratford-upon-Avon are abolished.
- (2) The parish of Stratford-upon-Avon is divided into nine parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 7 in Schedule 2.
- (3) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of table 7 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Studley and number of councillors

- 11.—(1) The parish of Studley is divided into two parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 8 in Schedule 2.
- (2) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of table 8 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Wellesbourne & Walton and number of councillors

- 12.—(1) The parish of Wellesbourne & Walton(a) is divided into three parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 9 in Schedule 2.
- (2) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.

⁽a) The parish of Wellesbourne was renamed Wellesbourne & Walton with effect from 1 April 2014 by order of Stratford-on-Avon District Council dated 22 July 2013 in exercise of the powers conferred by the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of table 9 in Schedule 2.

Sealed with the seal of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England

Name
Chairman
Local Government Boundary Commission for England

Date

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

Names of district wards

Alcester Town

Alcester & Rural

Avenue

Bidford East

Bidford West & Salford

Bishop's Itchington

Bishopton

Brailes & Compton

Bridgetown

Clopton

Ettington

Guildhall

Harbury

Hathaway

Henley-in-Arden

Kineton

Kinwarton

Long Itchington & Stockton

Napton & Fenny Compton

Quinton

Red Horse

Shipston North

Shipston South

Shottery

Snitterfield

Southam North

Southam South

Studley with Mappleborough Green

Studley with Sambourne

Tanworth-in-Arden

Tiddington

Welcombe

Welford-on-Avon Wellesbourne East Wellesbourne West Wotton Wawen

SCHEDULE 2

Articles 4 to 12

Table 1
Wards of the parish of Alcester and number of councillors

(1)	(2)	
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors	
Alcester West	5	
Oversley	10	
Oversley Green	1	

Table 2
Wards of the parish of Bidford-on-Avon and number of councillors

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Bidford East	6
Bidford West	3
Broom	1

Table 3
Wards of the parish of Luddington and number of councillors

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Luddington East	3
Luddington West	4

Table 4
Wards of the parish of Sambourne and number of councillors

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Sambourne North	2
Sambourne South	3

Table 5 Wards of the parish of Shipston-on-Stour and number of councillors

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Shipston North	4
Shipston South	9

Table 6
Wards of the parish of Southam and number of councillors

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Browns Bridge	4
Merestone	2
Mill Hill	5
Southam Fields	3

Table 7
Wards of the parish of Stratford-upon-Avon and number of councillors

(1)	(2)	
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors	
Avenue	2	
Bishopton	2	
Bridgetown	2	
Clopton	2	
Guildhall	2	
Hathaway	2	
Shottery	2	
Tiddington	2	
Welcombe	2	

Table 8
Wards of the parish of Studley and number of councillors

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Studley North	6
Studley South	6

Table 9
Wards of the parish of Wellesbourne & Walton and number of councillors

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Hastings	5
Mountford	5
Walton	1

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes changes to electoral arrangements for the district of Stratford-on-Avon following recommendations made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. The area of the district remains unchanged.

The electoral changes apply in respect of local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2015.

Article 3 abolishes the existing wards of the district of Stratford-on-Avon and replaces them with 36 new ones. That article, the map (as defined in article 2) and Schedule 1 also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new district wards.

Articles 4, 5, 9 and 10 abolish the existing wards of the parishes of (i) Alcester, (ii) Bidford-on-Avon, (iii) Southam and (iv) Stratford-upon-Avon respectively and replace them with new ones. Those articles, the map and Schedule 2 also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new parish wards.

Articles 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12 create new parish wards in each of the parishes of (i) Luddington, (ii) Sambourne, (iii) Shipston-on-Stour, (iv) Studley and (v) Wellesbourne & Walton respectively. These parishes were formerly unwarded. Those articles, the map and Schedule 2 also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new parish wards.

The map defined in article 2 shows the new district and parish wards. It is available at https://www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/west-midlands/warwickshire/stratford-on-avon-fer. The map is also available for inspection at all reasonable times at the offices of Stratford-on-Avon District Council, Elizabeth House, Church Street, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 6HX and at the offices of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England at Layden House, 76 – 86 Turnmill Street, London EC1M 5LG.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.

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