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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2001 No. 2438**

**The Borough of Colchester (Electoral Changes) Order 2001**

**Parish Elections**

8.—(1) The ordinary election of parish councillors for the parish of Copford with Easthorpe in 2002 shall not take place; and any such parish councillor holding office immediately before 6th May 2002 who would, but for this paragraph, have retired on that date shall, unless he resigns his office or it otherwise becomes vacant, continue to hold office until the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2003.

(2) The ordinary election of parish councillors for the parish of Langham in 2003 shall not take place; and any such parish councillor holding office immediately before 5th May 2003 who would, but for this paragraph, have retired on that date, shall, unless he resigns his office or it otherwise becomes vacant, continue to hold office until the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2004.

(3) Elections of all parish councillors for the parishes of Abberton, Birch, East Mersea, Fingringhoe, Great Wigborough, Langenhoe, Layer-de-la-Haye, Little Wigborough, Messing-cum-Inworth, Peldon, Salcott and Virley shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2002 and every fourth year after 2002.

(4) Elections of all parish councillors for the parishes of Aldham, Boxted, Copford with Easthorpe, Fordham, West Bergholt and Wormingford shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2003 and every fourth year after 2003.

(5) Elections of all parish councillors for the parishes of Dedham, East Donyland, Langham and Marks Tey shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2004 and every fourth year after 2004.

(6) The term of office of any parish councillor to whom paragraphs (3) to (5) of this article applies shall be four years; and those parish councillors shall retire on the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in the year of retirement, and the newly-elected councillors shall come into office on the day on which their predecessors retire.

(7) Rule 8 of the Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) Rules 1986(1) (filling of casual vacancies) shall have effect, in the case of a casual vacancy occurring before 3rd May 2003 in the office of a parish councillor for the parish of Copford with Easthorpe as if the references in paragraphs (1) and (4) of that rule to the day on which that councillor would regularly have retired were a reference to 3rd May 2003.

(8) Rule 8 of the Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) Rules 1986(2) (filling of casual vacancies) shall have effect, in the case of a casual vacancy occurring before 8th May 2004 in the office of a parish councillor for the parish of Langham as if the references in paragraphs (1) and (4) of that rule to the day on which that councillor would regularly have retired were a reference to 8th May 2004.

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(1) S.I. 1986/2215, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.  
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