

**2007 No. 140**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND**

**The District of East Northamptonshire (Electoral Changes)  
Order 2007**

*Made* - - - - - *25th January 2007*

*Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)*

The Boundary Committee for England(a), under section 15(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1992(c) (“the 1992 Act”), have conducted a review of the district of East Northamptonshire and have submitted to the Electoral Commission(d) recommendations dated September 2006.

A period of not less than six weeks has expired since the receipt of those recommendations.

The Electoral Commission have decided to give effect, without modification, to those recommendations.

Accordingly, the Electoral Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 17(e) and 26(f) of the 1992 Act, make the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the District of East Northamptonshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2007.

(2) This Order comes into force—

- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007, on the day after that on which it is made;
- (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Order—

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- (a) 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 (“the 2000 Act”) (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.
  - (b) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.
  - (c) 1992 c.19.
  - (d) The Electoral Commission was established by the 2000 Act (c.41). The functions of the Secretary of State, under sections 13 to 15 and 17 of the 1992 Act (c.19), 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).
  - (e) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962 and also otherwise in ways not relevant to this Order.
  - (f) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

“district” means the district of East Northamptonshire;

“existing”, in relation to a ward, means the ward as it exists on the date this Order is made;

“map” means the map marked “Map referred to in the District of East Northamptonshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2007”, of which prints are available for inspection at the principal office of the Electoral Commission: and any reference to a numbered sheet is a reference to the sheet of the map which bears that number;

“ordinary day of election of councillors” has the meaning given by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983(a); and

“registration officer” means an officer appointed for the purpose of, and in accordance with, section 8(b) of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

### **Wards of the district of East Northamptonshire**

3.—(1) The existing wards of the district(c) shall be abolished.

(2) The district shall be divided into twenty-two wards which shall be named as set out in column (1) of the Schedule.

(3) Each ward shall comprise the area described in column (2) of the Schedule by reference to parishes and parish wards.

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be the number specified in respect of the ward in column (3) of the Schedule.

(5) 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 Higham Ferrers**

4.—(1) The parish of Higham Ferrers shall be divided into two wards which shall be named Higham Ferrers Chichele and Higham Ferrers Lancaster.

(2) Each ward shall comprise the area designated on sheets 2 and 3 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be eight.

### **Wards of the parish of Irthlingborough**

5.—(1) The parish of Irthlingborough shall be divided into two wards which shall be named Irthlingborough John Pyel and Irthlingborough Waterloo.

(2) Each ward shall comprise the area designated on sheet 2 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

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

### **Wards of the parish of Raunds**

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

(2) The parish shall be divided into two wards which shall be named Raunds Saxon and Raunds Windmill.

(3) Each ward shall comprise the area designated on sheets 1 and 3 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

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(a) 1983 c.2, section 37 has been amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50) and section 17 of, and paragraphs 1 and 5 of Schedule 3 to, the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c.29).

(b) Section 8 has been amended by the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994 (c.19) and the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c.39).

(c) See the District of East Northamptonshire (Electoral Changes) Order 1998 (S.I. 1998/2512).

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

**Wards of the parish of Rushden**

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

(2) The parish shall be divided into five wards which shall be named Rushden Bates, Rushden Hayden, Rushden Pemberton, Rushden Sartoris and Rushden Spencer.

(3) Each ward shall comprise the area designated on sheets 2 and 3 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for each of Rushden Hayden, Rushden Pemberton and Rushden Spencer wards shall be five, and for each of Rushden Bates and Rushden Sartoris wards shall be three.

**Wards of the parish of Thrapston**

8.—(1) The parish of Thrapston shall be divided into two wards which shall be named Thrapston Lakes and Thrapston Market.

(2) Each ward shall comprise the area designated on sheet 1 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for Thrapston Lakes ward shall be eight and for Thrapston Market ward shall be five.

**Map**

9. East Northamptonshire District Council shall make a print of the map available for inspection at its offices by any member of the public at any reasonable time.

**Electoral register**

10. The registration officer for the district 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.

Sealed with the seal of the Electoral Commission on the 25th day of January 2007



25th January 2007

*Sam Younger*  
Chairman of the Commission

25th January 2007

*Peter Wardle*  
Chief Executive to the Commission

## SCHEDULE

article 3

### NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

<i>Column (1)</i>	<i>Column (2)</i>	<i>Column (3)</i>
<i>Name of Ward</i>	<i>Area of Ward</i>	<i>Number of Councillors</i>
Barnwell	Aldwincle parish; Barnwell parish; Clopton parish; Hemington parish; Lilford-cum-Wigsthorpe parish; Luddington parish; Thorpe Achurch parish; Thurning parish; Titchmarsh parish	1
Fineshade	Collyweston parish; Duddington-with-Fineshade parish; Easton on the Hill parish; Harringworth parish; Wakerley parish	1
Higham Ferrers Chichele	Higham Ferrers Chichele parish ward of Higham Ferrers parish	2
Higham Ferrers Lancaster	Chelveston cum Caldecott parish; Newton Bromswold parish; Higham Ferrers Lancaster parish ward of Higham Ferrers parish	2
Irthlingborough John Pyel	Irthlingborough John Pyel parish ward of Irthlingborough parish	2
Irthlingborough Waterloo	Irthlingborough Waterloo parish ward of Irthlingborough parish	2
King's Forest	Apethorpe parish; Blatherwycke parish; Bulwick parish; Deene parish; Deenethorpe parish; King's Cliffe parish; Laxton parish	1
Lower Nene	Ashton parish; Cotterstock parish; Lutton parish; Polebrook parish; Tansor parish; Warmington parish	1
Lyveden	Brigstock parish; Lowick parish; Sudborough parish; Twywell parish	1
Oundle	Benefield parish; Oundle parish; Pilton parish; Stoke Doyle parish; Wadenhoe parish	3
Prebendal	Fotheringhay parish; Glapthorn parish; Nassington parish; Southwick parish; Woodnewton parish; Yarwell parish	1
Raunds Saxon	Raunds Saxon parish ward of Raunds parish	2
Raunds Windmill	Raunds Windmill parish ward of Raunds parish	2
Rushden Bates	Rushden Bates parish ward of Rushden parish	2
Rushden Hayden	Rushden Hayden parish ward of Rushden parish	3

Rushden Pemberton	Rushden Pemberton parish ward of Rushden parish	3
Rushden Sartoris	Rushden Sartoris parish ward of Rushden parish	2
Rushden Spencer	Rushden Spencer parish ward of Rushden parish	3
Stanwick	Hargrave parish; Stanwick parish	1
Thrapston Lakes	Islip parish; Thrapston Lakes parish ward of Thrapston parish	2
Thrapston Market	Denford parish; Ringstead parish; Thrapston Market parish ward of Thrapston parish	2
Woodford	Great Addington parish; Little Addington parish; Woodford parish	1

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order makes changes to the electoral arrangements for the district of East Northamptonshire following recommendations made by the Boundary Committee for England to the Electoral Commission.

The Electoral Commission accepted the Boundary Committee's recommendations without modification.

The electoral changes apply in respect of local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007.

Article 3 abolishes the existing wards of the district and replaces them with 22 new ones. That article, the Schedule and the map also establish the names and areas of the new district wards and the numbers of district councillors for each ward.

Article 4 establishes 2 parish wards for the parish of Higham Ferrers. That article and the map also establish the names and areas of the new parish wards and the numbers of parish councillors for each ward.

Article 5 establishes 2 parish wards for the parish of Irthlingborough. That article and the map also establish the names and areas of the new parish wards and the numbers of parish councillors for each ward.

Article 6 abolishes the existing parish wards of the parish of Raunds and replaces them with 2 new ones. That article and the map also establish the names and areas of the new parish wards and the numbers of parish councillors for each ward.

Article 7 abolishes the existing parish wards of the parish of Rushden and replaces them with 5 new ones. That article and the map also establish the names and areas of the new parish wards and the numbers of parish councillors for each ward.

Article 8 establishes 2 parish wards for the parish of Thrapston. That article and the map also establish the names and areas of the new parish wards and the numbers of parish councillors for each ward.

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

The map defined in article 2 shows the new parish wards. It is available at [www.boundarycommittee.org.uk/your-area/eastnorthamptonshire.cfm](http://www.boundarycommittee.org.uk/your-area/eastnorthamptonshire.cfm) and, at all reasonable times, at the offices of East Northamptonshire District Council and at the principal office of the Electoral Commission at Trevelyan House, Great Peter Street, London SW1P 2HW.

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