

**2007 No. 150**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND**

**The Cotswold (Electoral Changes) Order 2007**

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

*Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and 1(3)*

Cotswold District Council, under section 9(a) of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997(b) (“the 1997 Act”), have made to the Electoral Commission(c) proposals dated July 2006 for electoral changes to two wards of the district of Cotswold and two electoral divisions of the county of Gloucestershire:

The Electoral Commission have decided to give effect to those proposals and, in relation to the changes made on 1st April 2004 affecting the parishes of Coln St Aldwyns and Hatherop(d), to make related alterations of the boundaries of Fairford and Riversmeet wards of the district of Cotswold, and Bourton and East Cotswold electoral divisions of the county of Gloucestershire:

Accordingly, the Electoral Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 14(e) and 23(f) of the 1997 Act, make the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Cotswold (Electoral Changes) Order 2007.
- (2) This Order, with the exception of article 3(2), 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.
- (3) Article 3(2) 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 2009, on 15th October 2008;
  - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2009.

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- (a) This section has been amended by the Local Government Commission for England (Transfer of Functions) Order 2001 (S.I. 2001/3962).
- (b) 1997 c.29.
- (c) 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, 14 and 17(4) of the 1997 Act (c.29), to the extent that they relate to electoral arrangements within the meaning of that Act, were transferred with modifications to the Electoral Commission on 1st April 2002 (S.I. 2001/3962).
- (d) The areas of the parishes of Coln St Aldwyns and Hatherop were altered by the Cotswold (Parishes) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/2337).
- (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.

## Interpretation

### 2. In this Order—

“county” means the county of Gloucestershire;

“district” means the district of Cotswold;

“map” means the map marked “Map referred to in the Cotswold (Electoral Changes) Order 2007”, of which prints are available for inspection at the principal office of the Electoral Commission;

“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.

## Alteration of the areas of district wards and county electoral divisions

3.—(1) The area coloured and designated by the letter “A” on the map shall cease to be part of Riversmeat ward of the district and shall become part of Fairford ward of the district.

(2) The area coloured and designated by the letter “A” on the map shall cease to be part of Bourton electoral division of the county and shall become part of East Cotswold electoral division of the county.

## Map

4. Cotswold 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

5. 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

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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).

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order gives effect to proposals made to the Electoral Commission for related alterations of the boundaries of Fairford and Riversmeet wards of the district of Cotswold, and Bourton and East Cotswold electoral divisions of the county of Gloucestershire as a result of changes to the boundaries of the parishes of Coln St Aldwyns and Hatherop made by the Cotswold (Parishes) Order 2003.

The new electoral arrangements apply in respect of district elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007, and county elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2009.

Article 3 makes alterations to the areas of Fairford and Riversmeet district wards, and Bourton and East Cotswold county electoral divisions.

Article 5 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 related alterations of the boundaries of Fairford and Riversmeet wards of the district of Cotswold, and Bourton and East Cotswold electoral divisions of the county of Gloucestershire. It is available at [www.electoralcommission.org.uk/your-area/ParishEAOrders.cfm](http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/your-area/ParishEAOrders.cfm) and, at all reasonable times, at the offices of Cotswold District Council and at the principal office of the Electoral Commission at Trevelyan House, Great Peter Street, London SW1P 2HW.