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LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The East Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016

Made - - - - *15th December 2016*

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

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 September 2016 stating its recommendations for changes to the electoral arrangements for the district of East Cambridgeshire. The Commission has decided to give effect to those recommendations.

A draft of the instrument has been laid before each House of Parliament, a period of forty days has expired since the day on which it was laid 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 East Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016.
- (2) This article and article 2 come into force on the day after the day on which this Order is made.
- (3) The remainder of this Order comes into force—
- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary, or relating, to the election of councillors, on the day after the day on which it is made;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in England and Wales^(c) in 2019.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order “the map” means the map marked “Map referred to in the East Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016”, held by 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 (c.20).
(c) The ordinary day of election of councillors is prescribed by section 37(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2.)

(2) 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 district of East Cambridgeshire and number of councillors

3.—(1) The existing wards of the district of East Cambridgeshire are abolished.

(2) The district of East Cambridgeshire is divided into 14 wards as listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 1.

(3) Each ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the ward.

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of the table in Schedule 1.

Wards of the City of Ely and number of councillors

4.—(1) The existing wards of the City of Ely are abolished.

(2) The City of Ely is divided into four parish wards as listed 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 Soham and number of councillors

5.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Soham are abolished.

(2) The parish of Soham is divided into three parish wards as listed 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.

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



15th December 2016

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Chief Executive
Local Government Boundary Commission for England

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

Names of district wards and number of councillors

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of district ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Number of councillors</i>
Bottisham	2
Burwell	2
Downham Villages	1
Ely East	2
Ely North	2
Ely West	3
Fordham & Isleham	2
Haddenham	1
Littleport	3
Soham North	2
Soham South	2
Stretham	2
Sutton	2
Woodditton	2

SCHEDULE 2

Articles 4 and 5

Names of parish wards and number of councillors

Table 1

Wards of the City of Ely

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Number of councillors</i>
Cathedral	1
Ely East	3
Ely North	5
Ely West	6

Table 2

Wards of the parish of Soham

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Number of councillors</i>
Soham Central	3
Soham North	6
Soham South	6

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes changes to electoral arrangements for the district of East Cambridgeshire following recommendations made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. The area of the district remains unchanged. The electoral changes in articles 3 to 5 apply in respect of local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2019.

Article 3 abolishes the existing electoral wards of the district of East Cambridgeshire and replaces them with 14 new ones. That article together with the map (as defined in article 2) also establish the names, areas and number of councillors, of the new electoral wards.

Articles 4 and 5 abolish the existing wards of the parishes of the City of Ely and Soham respectively and replace them with new ones. Those articles together with the map also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new parish wards.

The map shows the area of the new district electoral wards and parish wards and is available at <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/eastern/cambridgeshire/east-cambridgeshire> It is also available for inspection at reasonable times at the offices of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 14th floor, Millbank Tower, London SW1P 4QP.

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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