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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2023 No. 1189**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND**

**The Dorset (Electoral Changes) Order 2023**

*Made - - - - 8th November 2023  
Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and  
(3)*

Under section 92(2) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007<sup>(1)</sup>, Dorset Council (“the Council”) made recommendations in a review to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England<sup>(2)</sup> for the related alteration of the boundaries of a number of district wards within the Council’s area.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England has decided to give effect to the recommendations and makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 92(3) of that Act.

**Citation, commencement, extent and application**

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Dorset (Electoral Changes) Order 2023.
- (2) This article comes into force on the day after the day on which this Order is made.
- (3) Article 2 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 this Order is made;
  - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in England<sup>(3)</sup> in 2024.
- (4) This Order extends to England and Wales but applies in relation to England only.

**Alteration of district ward boundaries**

2.—(1) The area that ceases to be part of the parish of Chideock and becomes part of the parish of Symondsburby by virtue of the Dorset Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order

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(1) 2007 c. 28 (“the 2007 Act”). Section 92 was amended by paragraph 32 of Schedule 4 to the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20) (“the 2009 Act”).

(2) The Local Government Boundary Commission for England was established on 1st April 2010 by section 55(1) of the 2009 Act. The functions of the Electoral Commission under Chapter 3 of Part 4 of the 2007 Act were transferred under section 60 of the 2009 Act to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on 1st April 2010.

(3) The ordinary day of election of councillors in England is prescribed by section 37(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2), as amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50), renumbered by paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c. 29), and further amended by section 6(16) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4).

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.*

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[No.4] 2023(4) (“the Order”) ceases to be part of the Marshwood Vale district ward and becomes part of the Bridport district ward.

(2) The area that ceases to be part of the parish of Netherbury and becomes part of the parish of Symondsby by virtue of the Order ceases to be part of the Eggardon district ward and becomes part of the Bridport district ward.

(3) The area that ceases to be part of the parish of Loders and becomes part of the parish of Shipton Gorge by virtue of the Order ceases to be part of the Eggardon district ward and becomes part of the Chesil Bank district ward.

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



8th November 2023

*Jolyon Jackson*  
Chief Executive  
Local Government Boundary Commission for  
England

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(4) That Order was made on 6th April 2023 under powers including section 86 of the 2007 Act; such Orders are not required to be made by statutory instrument. A hard copy of that Order is available for inspection at reasonable times at the offices of Dorset Council, County Hall, Colliton Park, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 1XJ.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Dorset Council to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England for the related alteration of four district ward boundaries.

The alterations are a consequence of changes to parish boundaries and warding arrangements under the Dorset Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order [No.4] 2023. That Order was made by Dorset Council under powers including section 86 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (c. 28). A hard copy of that Order is available for inspection at reasonable times at the offices of Dorset Council, County Hall, Colliton Park, Dorchester, Dorset, DT1 1XJ.

The changes described in article 2 apply in respect of elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in England in 2024.

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