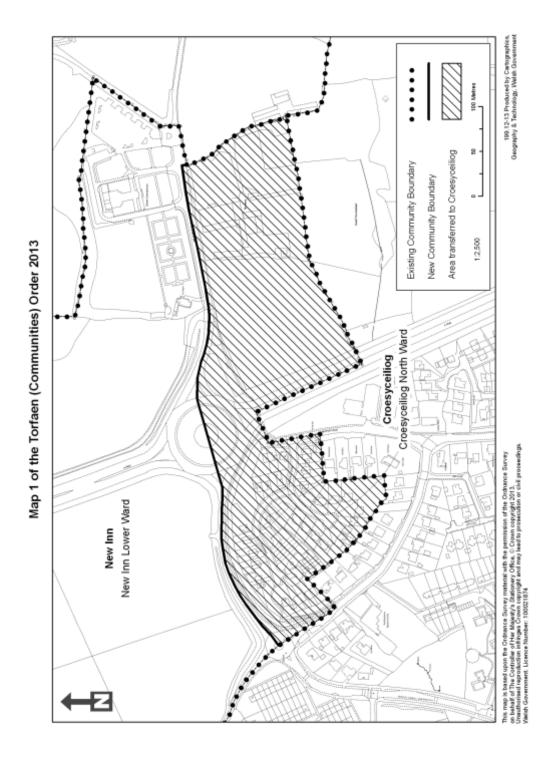
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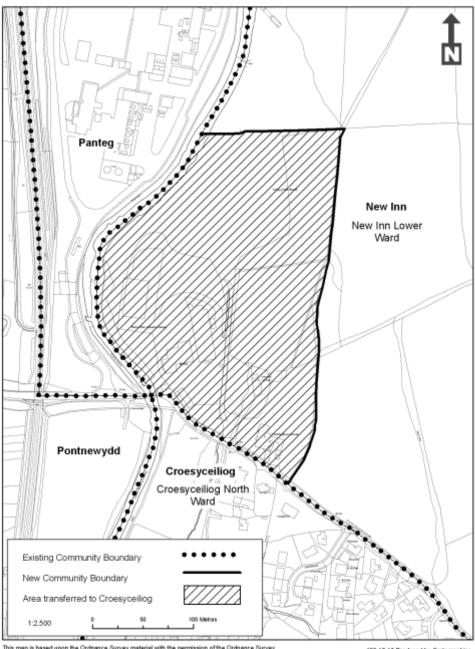
(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order, made in accordance with section 58(2) of the Local Government Act 1972, gives effect without modification to proposals of the Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales ("the Commission"). The Commission reported in January 2013 on a review conducted by Torfaen County Borough Council of the community boundaries for the County Borough of Torfaen. The report recommended changes to a number of existing boundaries.

The effect of this Order is that there are changes to a number of community areas and some consequential changes in community council electoral arrangements. Changes are made to the boundaries of Abersychan, Croesyceiliog, Cwmbran Central, Fairwater, New Inn, Pen Tranch, Pontnewydd and Upper Cwmbran. The existing Llanyrafon community wards of Llanyrafon North and Llanyrafon South are abolished and the new community wards of Llanyrafon East and Llanyrafon West are created. The new community ward of Thornhill is created. Consequential changes are made to the electoral arrangements in the County of Torfaen, including the creation of the new electoral divisions of Llanyrafon East and Ponthir, and Llanyrafon West.

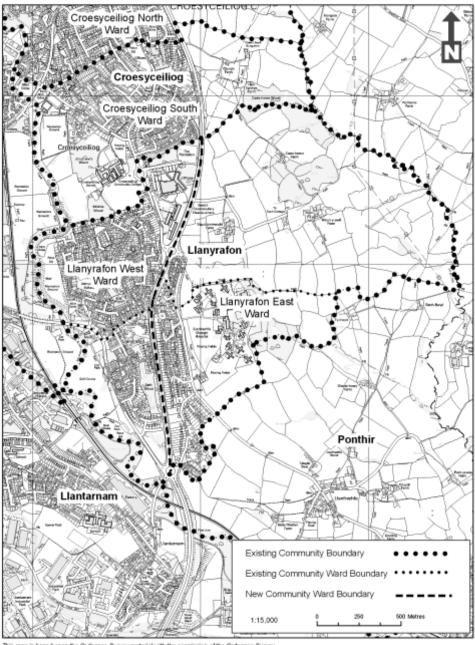
Prints of the boundary maps 1 to 8 to which this Order relates are deposited and may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of Torfaen County Borough Council, and at the offices of the Welsh Government at Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ (Local Government and Communities Division).





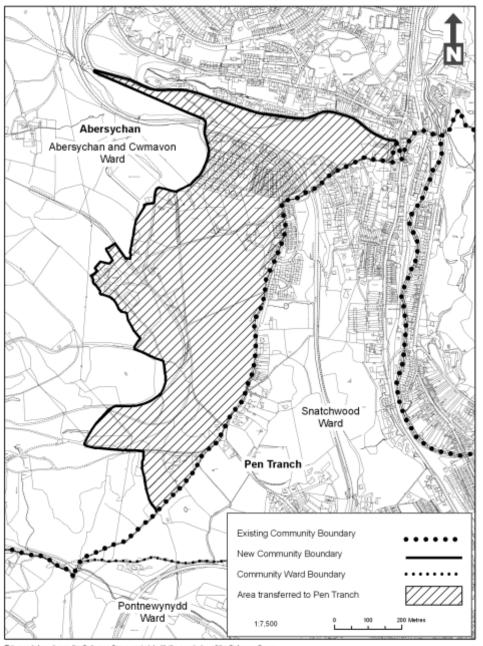
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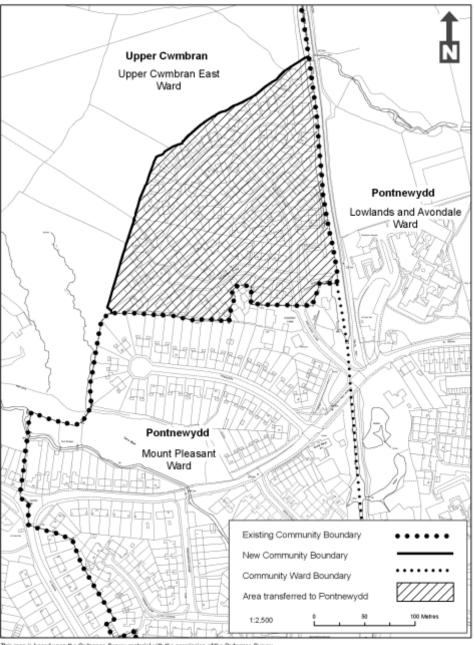
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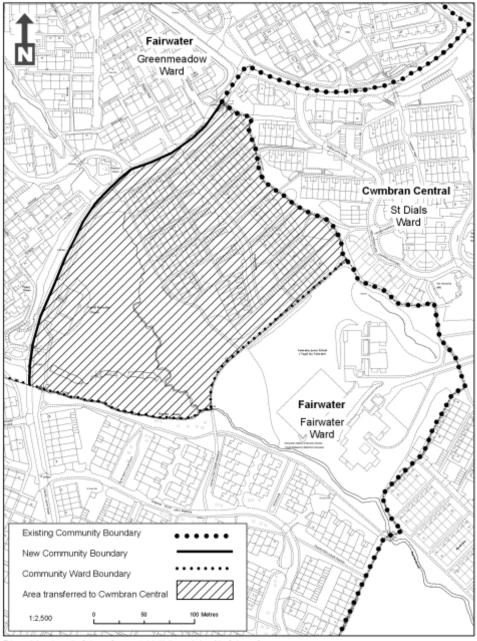
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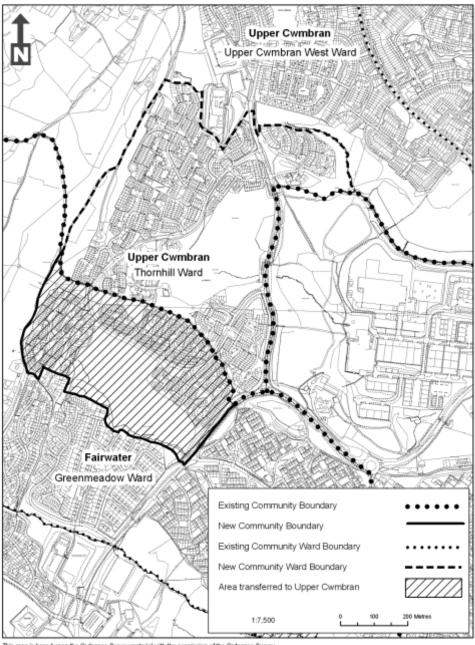
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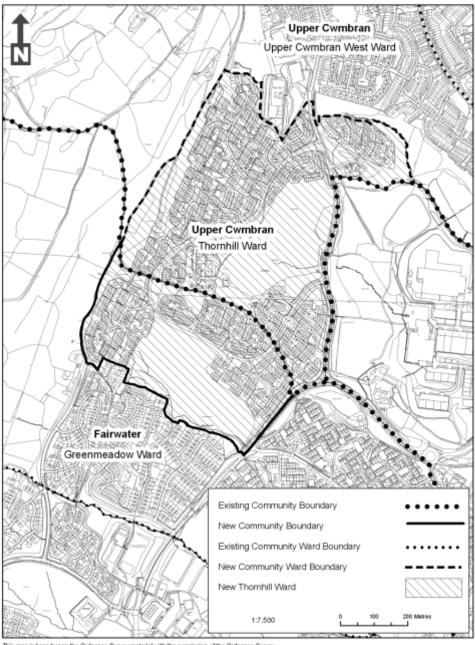
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