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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 167**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND**

**The County of Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2005**

*Made - - - - 1st February 2005*

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

Whereas the Boundary Committee for England<sup>(1)</sup>, acting pursuant to section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 1992<sup>(2)</sup>, has submitted to the Electoral Commission<sup>(3)</sup> recommendations dated September 2004 on its review of the county of Cambridgeshire:

And whereas the Electoral Commission have decided to give effect, with modifications, to those recommendations:

And whereas a period of not less than six weeks has expired since the receipt of those recommendations:

Now, therefore, the Electoral Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 17(4) and 26(5) of the Local Government Act 1992, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the County of Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2005.

(2) This Order shall come 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 2005, on the day after that on which it is made;
- (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2005.

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(1) 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 (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.

(2) 1992 c. 19. This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

(3) 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 to 15 and 17 of the Local Government Act 1992 (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).

(4) This section has been amended by section 89(3) of the Local Government Act 2000 (c. 22), S.I. 2001/3962 and also otherwise in ways not relevant to this Order.

(5) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

## Interpretation

### 2. In this Order –

“county” means the county of Cambridgeshire;

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

references to wards, unless the context otherwise requires, are references to district and city wards in the county(6); and

any reference to the map is a reference to the map marked “Map referred to in the County of Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2005”, of which prints are available for inspection at –

- (a) the principal office of the Electoral Commission; and
- (b) the offices of Cambridgeshire County Council.

## Electoral divisions of the county of Cambridgeshire

3.—(1) The existing electoral divisions of the county(7) shall be abolished.

(2) The county shall be divided into sixty electoral divisions which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of the Schedule.

(3) The electoral divisions shall comprise the areas described in column (2) of the Schedule by reference to wards, parishes, or parish wards or, where an area is not so described, the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the electoral division and demarcated by red lines; and the number of councillors to be elected for each electoral division shall be the number specified in respect of the electoral division in column (3) of the Schedule.

(4) 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.

## Maps

4. Cambridgeshire County Council shall make a print of the map marked “Map referred to in the County of Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2005” available for inspection at its offices by any member of the public at any reasonable time.

## Electoral registers

5. The Electoral Registration Officer(8) for each district or city in the county 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.

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(6) See the City of Cambridge (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2369), the District of East Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2596), the District of Fenland (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2595), the District of Huntingdonshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2984), and the District of South Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2374) as amended by the District of South Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) (Amendment) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/711).

(7) See the County of Cambridgeshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1984 (S.I. 1984/1944). The area of the county of Cambridgeshire was altered by the Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire and Lincolnshire (County Boundaries) Order 1989 (S.I. 1989/133), the Cambridgeshire, Norfolk and Suffolk (County Boundaries) Order 1990 (S.I. 1990/228), the Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Cambridgeshire (County Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I. 1991/282), the Cambridgeshire and Suffolk (County Boundaries) Order 1992 (S.I. 1992/3026) and the Cambridgeshire (City of Peterborough) (Structural, Boundary and Electoral Changes) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/1878).

(8) As to electoral registration officers and the register of local government electors, see sections 8 to 13 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2).

## Revocation

6. The County of Cambridgeshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1984(9) is revoked, save for article 5.

Sealed with the seal of the Electoral Commission on the 1st day of February 2005

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1st February 2005

*Sam Younger*  
Chairman of the Commission

1st February 2005

*Peter Wardle*  
Chief Executive to the Commission

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## SCHEDULE

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## NAMES AND AREAS OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

<i>Column (1)</i> <i>Name of Electoral Division</i>	<i>Column (2)</i> <i>Area of Electoral Division</i>	<i>Column (3)</i> <i>Number of Councillors</i>
<b>In the city of Cambridge</b>		
Abbey	Abbey ward	1
Arbury	Arbury ward	1
Castle	Castle ward	1
Cherry Hinton	Cherry Hinton ward	1
Coleridge	Coleridge ward	1
East Chesterton	East Chesterton ward	1
King's Hedges	King's Hedges ward	1
Market	Market ward	1
Newnham	Newnham ward	1
Petersfield	Petersfield ward	1
Queen Edith's	Queen Edith's ward	1
Romsey	Romsey ward	1
Trumpington	Trumpington ward	1
West Chesterton	West Chesterton ward	1
<b>In the district of East Cambridgeshire</b>		
Burwell	Burwell ward; The Swaffhams ward	1
Ely North and East	Ely East ward; Ely North ward	1
Ely South and West	Ely South ward; Ely West ward	1
Haddenham	Haddenham ward; Stretham ward	1
Littleport	Littleport East ward; Littleport West ward	1
Soham and Fordham Villages	Fordham Villages ward; Isleham ward; Soham North ward; Soham South ward	2
Sutton	Downham Villages ward; Sutton ward	1
Woodditton	Bottisham ward; Cheveley ward; Dullingham Villages ward	1
<b>In the district of Fenland</b>		
Chatteris	Birch ward; The Mills ward; Wenneye ward	1

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Forty Foot	Doddington ward; Manea ward; Slade Lode ward; Wimblington ward	1
March East	March East ward; Christchurch parish	1
March North	March North ward	1
March West	March West ward; Benwick parish	1
Roman Bank and Peckover	Peckover ward; Roman Bank ward	1
Waldersey	Parson Drove and Wisbech St Mary ward; Elm parish	1
Whittlesey North	Bassenhally ward; Delph ward; Kingsmoor ward; St Andrews ward	1
Whittlesey South	Lattersey ward; St Marys ward; Whittlesey South parish ward of Whittlesey parish	1
Wisbech North	Clarkson ward; Kirkgate ward; Waterlees ward	1
Wisbech South	Hill ward; Medworth ward; Staithe ward	1
<b>In the district of Huntingdonshire</b>		
Brampton and Kimbolton	Brampton ward; Kimbolton and Staughton ward	1
Buckden, Gransden and The Offords	Buckden ward; Gransden and The Offords ward	1
Godmanchester	Godmanchester ward; Huntingdon East ward	2
Huntingdon	Alconbury and The Stukeleys ward; Huntingdon North ward; Huntingdon West ward	2
Little Paxton and St Neots North	Little Paxton ward; St Neots Eaton Ford ward; St Neots Priory Park ward	2
Norman Cross	Elton and Folksworth ward; Stilton ward; Yaxley and Farcet ward	2
Ramsey	Ramsey ward	1
St Ives	St Ives East ward; St Ives South ward; St Ives West ward;	2

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	Holywell-cum-Needingworth parish	
St Neots Eaton Socon	St Neots Eaton Socon ward; St Neots Eynesbury ward	2
Sawtry and Ellington	Ellington ward; Sawtry ward	1
Somersham and Earith	Somersham ward; Bluntisham parish; Earith parish	1
The Hemingfords and Fenstanton	Fenstanton ward; The Hemingfords ward	1
Warboys and Upwood	Upwood and The Raveleys ward; Warboys and Bury ward	1
<b>In the district of South Cambridgeshire</b>		
Bar Hill	Bar Hill ward; Girton ward	1
Bassingbourn	Bassingbourn ward; The Mordens ward	1
Bourn		1
Cottenham, Histon and Impington	Cottenham ward; Histon and Impington ward	2
Duxford	Duxford ward; The Abingtons ward; Whittlesford ward; Fowlmere parish	1
Fulbourn	Fulbourn ward; Teversham ward; The Wilbrahams ward	1
Gamlingay	Gamlingay ward; Haslingfield and The Eversdens ward; Orwell and Barrington ward	1
Hardwick	Barton ward; Caldecote ward; Comberton ward; Hardwick ward	1
Linton	Balsham ward; Linton ward	1
Melbourn	Melbourn ward; Meldreth ward; Foxton parish	1
Papworth and Swavesey		1
Sawston	Harston and Hauxton ward; Sawston ward; The Shelfords and Stapleford ward	2
Waterbeach	Milton ward; Waterbeach ward	1
Willingham	Longstanton ward; Willingham and Over ward	1

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order gives effect, with modifications, to recommendations by the Boundary Committee for England, a committee of the Electoral Commission, for electoral changes in the county of Cambridgeshire.

The modifications concern the boundaries and names of Little Paxton and St Neots North, and St Neots Eaton Socon electoral divisions and the names of Cottenham, Histon and Impington, Ely North and East, and Ely South and West electoral divisions.

The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2005.

Article 3 abolishes the existing electoral divisions of the county and provides for the creation of 60 new electoral divisions. That article and the Schedule also make provision for the names and areas of, and numbers of councillors for, the new electoral divisions.

Article 5 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer for each district or city in the county of Cambridgeshire to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

Article 6 revokes the County of Cambridgeshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1984, with the exception of article 5.

The areas of the new electoral divisions are demarcated on the map described in article 2. Prints of the map may be inspected at all reasonable times at the offices of Cambridgeshire County Council and at the principal office of the Electoral Commission at Trevelyan House, Great Peter Street, London SW1P 2HW.