

**2006 No. 394**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**The Orkney Islands (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2006**

*Made* - - - - *27th June 2006*

*Coming into force* - - *14th July 2006*

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 17(2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973(a) and giving effect to proposals submitted to them on 20th March 2006 by the Boundary Commission under section 17(1) of that Act regarding electoral arrangements for the area of Orkney Islands Council, hereby make the following Order:

**Citation, commencement and application**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Orkney Islands (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2006 and shall come into force on 14th July 2006.

(2) This Order shall apply only for the purposes of elections to be held after the date on which section 1 of the Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004(b) comes into force.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Order—

- (a) a reference to an electoral ward is a reference to that electoral ward as constituted in this Order; and
- (b) “the deposited data” means the data recorded on the DVD-ROM—
  - (i) entitled “Orkney Islands (Electoral Arrangements) 2006”; and
  - (ii) deposited with the Scottish Ministers at their offices at Victoria Quay, Leith, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ.

**Electoral arrangements**

3.—(1) The area of Orkney Islands Council shall be divided into 6 electoral wards.

(2) The number and name of an electoral ward is as specified in columns 1 and 2 respectively of the Schedule to this Order.

(3) The number of councillors to be returned for an electoral ward is as specified in the entry in column 3 of the Schedule to this Order corresponding to that electoral ward.

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(a) 1973 c.65. The functions of the Secretary of State transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46).  
(b) 2004 asp 9.

(4) The boundaries of the electoral wards are as described by the deposited data.

St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh  
27th June 2006

*TOM McCABE*  
A member of the Scottish Executive

# SCHEDULE

Article 3

## ELECTORAL WARDS

| <i>Column 1</i><br><i>Number of electoral ward</i> | <i>Column 2</i><br><i>Name of electoral ward</i> | <i>Column 3</i><br><i>Number of councillors to be returned</i> |
|--|--|--|
| 1  | Kirkwall East                                    | 4  |
| 2  | Kirkwall West and Orphir                         | 4  |
| 3  | Stromness and South Isles                        | 3  |
| 4  | West Mainland                                    | 4  |
| 5  | East Mainland, South Ronaldsay<br>and Burray     | 3  |
| 6  | North Isles                                      | 3  |

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order gives effect to proposals made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland for the future electoral arrangements for the area of Orkney Islands Council. The area of Orkney Islands Council is divided into 6 electoral wards as described in the Schedule to the Order. The proposals follow on the review of the whole of Scotland undertaken by the Commission in terms review under section 4(1) of the Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004. The Order applies only for the purposes of elections held after the coming into force of section 1 of that Act.

The Order described the boundaries of the new electoral wards by means of data stored on a DVD-ROM. Copies of the DVD-ROM are to be deposited with and maps of the boundaries of the electoral wards are available from the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland and Orkney Islands Council.

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