

*Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 59(9) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009; draft to lie for forty days pursuant to section 6(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, during which period either House of Parliament may resolve that the Order be not made.*

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DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No.**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND**

**The Bristol (Electoral Changes) Order 2015**

*Made - - - -*

*Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) – (4)*

Under section 58(4) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009<sup>(1)</sup> (“the Act”) the Local Government Boundary Commission for England<sup>(2)</sup> (“the Commission”) published a report dated May 2015 stating its recommendations for changes to the electoral arrangements for the district of Bristol. The Commission has decided to give effect to the recommendations.

A draft of the instrument has been laid before Parliament and a period of forty days has expired 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 Bristol (Electoral Changes) Order 2015.
- (2) This Order comes into force—
  - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of councillors, on the day after it is made;
  - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2016.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Order—

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(1) 2009 c.20.

(2) 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).

“map” means the map marked “Map referred to in the Bristol (Electoral Changes) Order 2015”, prints of which are available for inspection at the principal office of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England;

“ordinary day of election of councillors” has the meaning given by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983(3).

**Wards of the district of Bristol and number of councillors**

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

(2) The district of Bristol is divided into 34 district wards, each listed by name in the first column of the table in the Schedule.

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

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

(5) 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.

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

Date

*Name*  
Chairman  
Local Government Boundary Commission for  
England

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(3) 1983 c.2; section 37 has been amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50), paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c.29) and section 60(1) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (c.28).

SCHEDULE

Article 3

Names of district wards

<i>Name of district ward</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Ashley	3
Avonmouth & Lawrence Weston	3
Bedminster	2
Bishopston & Ashley Down	2
Bishopsworth	2
Brislington East	2
Brislington West	2
Central	2
Clifton Down	2
Clifton	2
Cotham	2
Easton	2
Eastville	2
Filwood	2
Frome Vale	2
Hartcliffe & Withywood	3
Henbury & Brentry	2
Hengrove & Whitchurch Park	3
Hillfields	2
Horfield	2
Hotwells & Harbourside	1
Knowle	2
Lawrence Hill	2
Lockleaze	2
Redland	2
Southmead	2
Southville	2
St George Central	2
St George Troopers Hill	1
St George West	1
Stockwood	2
Stoke Bishop	2

**Draft Legislation:** This is a draft item of legislation. This draft has since been made as a UK Statutory Instrument: The Bristol (Electoral Changes) Order 2015 No. 1871

<i>Name of district ward</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Westbury-on-Trym & Henleaze	3
Windmill Hill	2

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order makes changes to electoral arrangements for the district of Bristol, which is a metropolitan district with city status, following recommendations made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. The area of the district remains unchanged. The electoral changes apply in respect of local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2016.

Article 3 abolishes the existing wards of the district of Bristol and replaces them with 34 new ones. That article, the map (as defined in article 2) and the Schedule also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new district wards.

The map defined in article 2 shows the new district wards. It is available at [www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/south-west/bristol/bristol](http://www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/south-west/bristol/bristol). The map is also available for inspection at all reasonable times at the offices of Bristol City Council, City Hall, College Green, Bristol BS1 5TR and at the offices of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England at 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Millbank Tower, Millbank, London SW1P 4QP.

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