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.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Gloucester (Electoral Changes) Order 2015

Made - - - -

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and (3)

Under section 58(4) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009(a) ("the Act") the Local Government Boundary Commission for England(b) ("the Commission") published a report dated June 2015 stating its recommendation for changes to the electoral arrangements for the city of Gloucester. 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 Gloucester (Electoral Changes) Order 2015.
- (2) This article and article 2 of this Order come into force on the day after this Order is made.
- (3) The remainder of 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(c) in 2016.

Interpretation

2. In this Order "the map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the Gloucester (Electoral Changes) Order 2015", held by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.

⁽a) 2009 c.20.

⁽b) 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) The ordinary day of election of councillors is prescribed by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 c.2.

Wards of the city of Gloucester and number of councillors

- **3.**—(1) The existing wards of the city of Gloucester are abolished.
- (2) The city of Gloucester is divided into 18 wards, each listed by name in the first column of the table in Schedule 1.
 - (3) Each ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the ward.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of the table in Schedule 1.
- (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.

Wards of the parish of Quedgeley and number of councillors

- **4.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Quedgeley are abolished.
- (2) The parish of Quedgeley is divided into five parish wards as listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 2.
- (3) Each parish ward comprises the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of the table in Schedule 2.

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

Name
Chairman
Local Government Boundary Commission for England

Article 3

Date

SCHEDULE 1 Names of wards and number of councillors

(1)	(2)	
Name of ward	Number of councillors	
Abbeydale	2	
Abbeymead	2	
Barnwood	2	
Barton & Tredworth	3	
Coney Hill	1	
Elmbridge	2	
Grange	2	
Hucclecote	2	
Kingsholm & Wotton	2	
Kingsway	2	
Longlevens	3	
Matson & Robinswood	3	
Moreland	3	
Podsmead	1	
Quedgeley Fieldcourt	2	
Quedgeley Severn Vale	2	
Tuffley	2	

Westgate	3

SCHEDULE 2

Article 4

Names of parish wards and number of councillors

Wards of the parish of Quedgeley

(1)	(2)	
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors	
Quedgeley Brook	1	
Quedgeley Kingsway	5	
Quedgeley Fieldcourt	1	
Quedgeley Central	4	
Quedgeley Severn Vale	5	

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes changes to electoral arrangements for the city of Gloucester following recommendations made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. The area of the city 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 city of Gloucester and replaces them with 18 new ones. That article and the map (as defined in article 2) also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new wards.

Article 4 abolishes the existing wards of the parish of Quedgeley and replaces them with new ones. That article and the map also establishes the names, areas and number of councillors of the new parish wards.

The map defined in article 2 shows the new city and parish wards. It is available at https://www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/south-west/gloucestershire/gloucester The map is also available for inspection at reasonable times at the offices of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 14th floor, Millbank Tower, London SW1P 4QP.

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

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