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

2016 No.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Leicestershire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016

Made

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2), (3) and (4)

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 April 2016 stating its recommendation for changes to the electoral arrangements for the county of Leicestershire. 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 Leicestershire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016.
- (2) This article and article 2 come into force on the day after this Order is made.
- (3) Article 3 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 2017.

(4) 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 in 2019.

⁽**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.20).

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

Interpretation

2. In this Order "the map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the Leicestershire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016", held by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England(\mathbf{a}).

Divisions of the county of Leicestershire and number of councillors

3.—(1) The existing divisions of the county of Leicestershire are abolished.

(2) The county of Leicestershire is divided into 53 divisions as listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 1.

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

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for each division is the number specified in relation to that division 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 Barwell and number of councillors

4.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Barwell are abolished.

(2) The parish of Barwell is divided into three parish wards as listed in the first column of table 1 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 table 1 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Braunstone and number of councillors

5.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Braunstone are abolished.

(2) The parish of Braunstone is divided into four parish wards as listed in the first column of table 2 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 table 2 in Schedule 2.

Wards of the parish of Mountsorrel and number of councillors

6.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Mountsorrel are abolished.

(2) The parish of Mountsorrel is divided into three parish wards as listed in the first column of table 3 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 table 3 in Schedule 2.

⁽a) Prints of the map are available for inspection at reasonable times at the principal office of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 14th floor, Millbank Tower, London SW1P 4QP and is also accessible online at https://www.lgbce.org.uk/__data/assets/pdf_file/0005/27923/Leicestershire_SO.pdf

Wards of the parish of Syston and number of councillors

Date

7.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Syston are abolished.

(2) The parish of Syston is divided into four parish wards as listed in the first column of table 4 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 table 4 in Schedule 2.

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

Name Chief Executive Local Government Boundary Commission for England

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

Names of county electoral divisions and number of councillors

(1)	(2)
Name of county ward	Number of councillors
In the district of Blaby	
Blaby & Glen Parva	1
Braunstone	1
Cosby & Countesthorpe	1
Enderby & Lubbesthorpe	1
Glenfields, Kirby Muxloe & Leicester Forests	2
Narborough & Whetstone	1
Stoney Stanton & Croft	1
In the borough of Charnwood	
Birstall	1
Bradgate	1
Loughborough East	1
Loughborough North	1
Loughborough North West	1
Loughborough South	1
Loughborough South West	1
Quorn & Barrow	1
Rothley & Mountsorrel	1
Shepshed	1
Sileby & The Wolds	1
Syston Fosse	1
Syston Ridgeway	1
Thurmaston Ridgemere	1
In the district of Harborough	
Broughton Astley	1
Bruntingthorpe	1
Gartree	1
Launde	1
Lutterworth	1
Market Harborough East	1

Market Harborough West & Foxton	1	
In the borough of Hinckley & Bosworth		
Burbage	1	
De Montfort	1	
Earl Shilton	1	
Groby & Ratby	1	
Hollycroft	1	
Mallory	1	
Market Bosworth	1	
Markfield, Desford & Thornton	1	
St Marys	1	
In the borough of Melton		
Belvoir	1	
Melton East	1	
Melton West	1	
Melton Wolds	1	
In the district of North West Leicestershi		
Ashby de la Zouch	1	
Castle Donnington & Kegworth	1	
Coalville North	1	
Coalville South	1	
Forest & Measham	1	
Ibstock & Appleby	1	
Valley	1	
Whitwick	1	
In the borough of Oadby & Wigston		
East Wigston	1	
North Wigston	1	
Oadby	2	
South & West Wigston	1	

SCHEDULE 2

Articles 4 to 7

Names of parish wards and number of councillors

Table 1

Wards of the parish of Barwell

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Charnwood	4
Redhall	4
St Marys	4

Table 2

Wards of the parish of Braunstone

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Braunstone Millfield	3
Braunstone Ravenhurst & Fosse	9
Braunstone Thorpe Astley	5

Braunstone Winstanley

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Table 3

Wards of the parish of Mountsorrel

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Mountsorrel	11
Mountsorrel Castle	1
Mountsorrel North End	1

Table 4

Wards of the parish of Syston

(1)	(2)
Name of parish ward	Number of councillors
Syston Merton	7
Syston New Barkby	5
Syston St Peter's East	4
Syston St Peter's West	4

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes changes to electoral arrangements for the county of Leicestershire following recommendations made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. The area of the county remains unchanged. The electoral changes in article 3 apply in respect of local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2017. The electoral change in articles 4 to 7 apply in respect of such elections in 2019.

Article 3 abolishes the existing electoral divisions of the county of Leicestershire and replaces them with 53 new ones. That article and the map (as defined in article 2) also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new electoral divisions.

Articles 4 to 7 abolish the existing wards of the parishes of (i) Barwell, (ii) Braunstone, (iii) Mountsorrel and (iv) Syston respectively and replace them with new ones. Those articles and the map also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new parish wards.

The map defined in article 2 shows the new county divisions and parish wards. It is available at https://www.lgbce.org.uk/__data/assets/pdf_file/0005/27923/Leicestershire_SO.pdf. 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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