

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 Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016

*Made - - - -
Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2), (3),
(4) and (5)*

Under section 58(4) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009⁽¹⁾ (“the Act”), the Local Government Boundary Commission for England⁽²⁾ (“the Commission”) published a report dated September 2016 stating its recommendations for changes to the electoral arrangements for the county of Cambridgeshire. The Commission has decided to give effect to those recommendations.

A draft of the instrument has been laid before each House of Parliament, a period of forty days has expired since the day on which it was laid 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 Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016.
- (2) This article and article 2 come into force on the day after the day on which this Order is made.
- (3) Article 3 and Schedule 1 come into force—
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary, or relating, to the election of councillors, on the day after the day on which it is made;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in England and Wales⁽³⁾ in 2017.
- (4) Articles 4 to 7 and Schedule 2 come into force—

(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.
(3) The ordinary day of election of councillors is prescribed by section 37(1) of the Representation of the People Act [1983 \(c.2\)](#).

- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary, or relating, to the election of councillors, on the day after the day on which it is made;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in England and Wales in 2018.
- (5) Articles 8 to 10 and Schedule 3 come 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 England and Wales in 2019.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order “the map” means the map marked “Map referred to in the Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016”, held by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England⁽⁴⁾.

(2) 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.

Divisions of the county of Cambridgeshire and number of councillors

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

(2) The county of Cambridgeshire is divided into 59 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.

Wards of the parish of Fen Ditton and number of councillors

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

(2) The parish of Fen Ditton is divided into two 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 Huntingdon and number of councillors

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

(2) The parish of Huntingdon is divided into five 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) 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. It is also accessible online at <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/eastern/cambridgeshire/cambridgeshire-county-council>

(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 St Ives and number of councillors

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

(2) The parish of St Ives is divided into four 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.

Wards of the parish of St Neots and number of councillors

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

(2) The parish of St Neots is divided into five 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.

Wards of the parish of March and number of councillors

8.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of March are abolished.

(2) The parish of March is divided into seven parish wards as listed in the first column of table 1 in Schedule 3.

(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 3.

Wards of the parish of Whittlesey and number of councillors

9.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Whittlesey are abolished.

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

(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 3.

Wards of the parish of Wisbech St Mary and number of councillors

10.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Wisbech St Mary are abolished.

(2) The parish of Wisbech St Mary is divided into two parish wards as listed in the first column of table 3 in Schedule 3.

(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 3.

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

Address
Date

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Chairman
Local Government Boundary Commission for
England

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

Names of county divisions and number of councillors

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of county division</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Cambridge City	1
Abbey	1
Arbury	1
Castle	1
Cherry Hinton	1
Chesterton	1
King's Hedges	1
Market	1
Newnham	1
Petersfield	1
Queen Edith's	1
Romsey	1
Trumpington	1
East Cambridgeshire District	1
Burwell	1
Ely North	1
Ely South	1
Littleport	1
Soham North & Isleham	1
Soham South & Haddenham	1
Sutton	1
Woodditton	2
Fenland District	1

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of county division</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Chatteris	1
March North & Waldersey	1
March South & Rural	1
Roman Bank & Peckover	1
Whittlesey North	1
Whittlesey South	1
Wisbech East	1
Wisbech West	1
Huntingdonshire District	1
Alconbury & Kimbolton	1
Brampton & Buckden	1
Godmanchester & Huntingdon South	1
Huntingdon North & Hartford	1
Huntingdon West	1
Ramsey & Bury	1
St Ives North & Wyton	1
St Ives South & Needingworth	1
St Neots East & Gransden	1
St Neots Eynesbury	1
St Neots Priory Park & Little Paxton	1
St Neots The Eatons	1
Sawtry & Stilton	1
Somersham & Earith	1
The Hemingfords & Fenstanton	1
Warboys & The Stukeleys	1

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of county division</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Yaxley & Farcet	1
South Cambridgeshire District	1
Bar Hill	1
Cambourne	1
Cottenham & Willingham	1
Duxford	1
Fulbourn	1
Gamlingay	1
Hardwick	1
Histon & Impington	2
Linton	1
Longstanton, Northstowe & Over	
Melbourn & Bassingbourn	
Papworth & Swavesey	
Sawston & Shelford	
Waterbeach	

SCHEDULE 2

Articles 4 to 7

Names of parish wards and number of councillors: in application to elections in 2018

Table 1

Wards of the parish of Fen Ditton

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
West	3
East	6

Draft Legislation: This is a draft item of legislation. This draft has since been made as a UK Statutory Instrument: The Cambridgeshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2016 No. 1222

Table 2**Wards of the parish of Huntingdon**

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Central	2
East	4
North East	4
South	2
West	7

Table 3**Wards of the parish of St Ives**

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Beech	1
North	7
South	7
West	2

Table 4**Wards of the parish of St Neots**

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Eaton Ford	4
Eaton Socon	3
Eynesbury	6
East	4
Priory Park	4

SCHEDULE 3

Articles 8 to 10

Names of parish wards and number of councillors: in application to elections in 2019

Table 1

Wards of the parish of March

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Central	1
East	3
Eastwood	1
North	3
Rural North	1
Rural South	1
South	2

Table 2

Wards of the parish of Whittlesey

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Bassenhally	3
Coates & Eastrea	3
Delph	1
Elm	1
Lattersey	2
St Andrews	1
St Marys North	1
St Marys South	1
Stonald	1

Table 3**Wards of the parish of Wisbech St Mary**

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>
<i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>Number of councillors</i>
Murrow	3
Wisbech St Mary	8

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes changes to electoral arrangements for the county of Cambridgeshire 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 changes in articles 4 to 7 apply in respect of such elections in 2018. The electoral changes in articles 8 to 10 apply in respect of such elections in 2019.

Article 3 abolishes the existing divisions of the county of Cambridgeshire and replaces them with 59 new ones. That article together with the map (as defined in article 2) also establish the names, areas and number of councillors, of the new electoral divisions.

Articles 4 to 10 abolish the existing wards of the parishes of Fen Ditton, Huntingdon, St Ives, St Neots, March, Whittlesey and Wisbech St Mary respectively and replace them with new ones. Those articles together with 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 and parish wards. It is available at <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/eastern/cambridgeshire/cambridgeshire-county-council> 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.