
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1984 No. 1875

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES

CHANGES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS

The Rhymney Valley (Communities) Order 1984

Made - - - - - 28th November 1984

Coming into Operation—

*For the purposes described
in article 2* - - - - - 1st January 1985

For all other purposes - - - - - 1st April 1985

Whereas the Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales, under paragraph 6 of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1972(a), made proposals to the Secretary of State for Wales in relation to communities in the District of Rhymney Valley:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State for Wales, in exercise of his powers under paragraph 7 of the said Schedule and section 67(4) and (5) of the said Act as applied by paragraph 9 of the said Schedule, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order giving effect to the said proposals with modifications:—

Title and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Rhymney Valley (Communities) Order 1984.

2. 1st January 1985 is hereby specified as the day on which this order shall come into operation for any purposes set out in regulation 4(1) (Coming into operation of order) of the Regulations.

For all other purposes this order shall come into operation on the appointed day.

Interpretation

3. In this order—

“the appointed day” means 1st April 1985;

(a) 1972 c.70.

“as altered” means as altered by the Taff-Ely (Communities) Order 1984(a) and this order;

“new community” means a community constituted by this order;

“new community council” means a community council established by this order;

“new community ward” means a community ward formed by this order;

“the Regulations” means the Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976(b) as amended by the Local Government Area Changes (Amendment) Regulations 1978(c); and

“Schedule 1” and “Schedule 2” mean Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 to this order.

The boundary map

4.—(1) In this order, “the boundary map” means the map issued by the Welsh Office and marked “Boundary map of the Rhymney Valley (Communities) Order 1984”. The sheets of the boundary map are respectively marked with the numbers 1 to 20 and are in this order referred to by such numbers.

(2) Regulation 5(3)(a)(ii) of the Regulations (which requires the supply of prints of maps referred to in orders to the Secretary of State for Social Services) shall not apply.

Changes in counties and districts

5.—(1) That part of the County of Gwent, of the Borough of Blaenau Gwent and of the Town of Tredegar which is shown coloured red on sheet 2 of the boundary map shall be transferred to the County of Mid Glamorgan and to the District of Rhymney Valley.

(2) The other boundaries of the District of Rhymney Valley with the Boroughs of Blaenau Gwent and Brecknock, such boundaries being also boundaries of the County of Mid Glamorgan with the County of Gwent or Powys, shall be such boundaries as shown by the relevant continuous red lines on the boundary map, and any county or district boundary meeting a boundary displaced by this provision shall be continued to the new boundary hereby established in the shortest possible distance.

(3)(a) Sub-paragraphs (b) to (e) shall apply in the Borough of Blaenau Gwent or Brecknock.

(b) Any community or community ward boundary meeting a boundary displaced by paragraph (2) shall be continued to the new boundary thereby established in the shortest possible distance.

(c) Any area added to the borough by paragraph (2) to which (b) does not apply shall form part of the community which it adjoins.

(d) Any area added to the borough by paragraph (2) to which (b) does not

(a) S.I. 1984/1441.

(b) S.I. 1976/246.

(c) S.I. 1978/247.

apply in its application to community ward boundaries shall form part of the community ward, if any, which it adjoins.

(e) Any alteration of a community ward, or of a community not divided into community wards, made by this paragraph shall extend to the electoral division of a county, ward of the borough, petty sessional division and coroner's district in which the community ward or the community, as the case may be, is situated.

(4) Any provision of paragraph (3) shall not have effect in relation to communities, community wards and petty sessional divisions in the Borough of Blaenau Gwent if any order under the powers recited in this order is made relating to such borough and coming into operation (otherwise than for the purposes first described in article 2) on the appointed day.

Communities

6. In the District of Rhymney Valley as altered—

(1) the two communities of Bedwas and Machen, and Van shall continue;

(2) the seven existing communities of Caerphilly, Gelligaer, Llanfedw, New Tredegar, Rhydygwern, Rhymney and Rudry shall be abolished;

(3) twelve new communities to be known as Aber Valley, Bargoed, Caerphilly, Darren Valley, Gelligaer, Llanbradach, Maesycwmmwr, Nelson, New Tredegar, Penyrheol, Rhymney and Rudry shall be constituted; and

(4) the communities named in paragraphs (1) and (3) shall consist of the areas shown by the relevant continuous red lines on the boundary map.

Electoral divisions and district wards

7. Where any boundary of the District of Rhymney Valley altered by article 5 is also the boundary of an electoral division of the County of Mid Glamorgan or of a ward of the said district, the alteration shall extend to such electoral division or ward.

Community councils

8.—(1) The community council of any community named in paragraph (2) of article 6 shall be dissolved.

(2) The community wards of the communities of Bedwas and Machen, Gelligaer and Rhymney shall be abolished.

(3) There shall be a community council for each new community.

(4) The communities in respect of which new community wards are named in column (2) of Schedule 1 shall be divided into such wards, such wards consisting of the areas shown by the relevant continuous green lines on the boundary map.

(5) Subject to paragraph (6), the number of councillors for the new community of Maesycwmmr, and for each new community ward, shall be that shown in respect thereof in column (3) of Schedule 1.

(6) Until the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1987 the numbers of councillors for the Machen ward of the Community of Bedwas and Machen, the Trethomas ward of that community and the St. David's ward of the Community of Rhymney shall be 4, 4 and 3 respectively.

(7) The annual meetings of—

the new community councils; and

the Community Council of Van

for 1985 shall be held in April 1985. Such meetings of the new community councils shall be convened by the officer appointed by the District Council of Rhymney Valley for the purpose.

Petty sessional divisions

9.—(1) The Lower Rhymney Valley petty sessional division shall comprise the communities of Aber Valley, Bargoed, Bedwas and Machen, Caerphilly, Gelligaer, Llanbradach, Maesycwmmr, Nelson, Penyrheol, Rudry and Van as existing on and after the appointed day.

(2) The Upper Rhymney Valley petty sessional division shall comprise the communities of Darren Valley, New Tredegar and Rhymney as so existing.

Coroner's district

10. The Eastern coroner's district shall consist of the District of Rhymney Valley as altered and the Borough of Merthyr Tydfil.

Councillors

11.—(1) Regulation 8(1) (Councillors) of the Regulations shall not apply to any community or community ward in the District of Rhymney Valley.

(2) Any person in office at the appointed day as councillor for any community ward named in column (1) of Part I of Schedule 2 shall represent the area specified in respect of such community ward in column (2) on the appropriate council until the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1987. Any casual vacancy which exists at the coming into operation of this order or occurs before the appointed day in the office of councillor for any such community ward shall (except where notice of the

election has at the coming into operation of this order already been given) be deemed to have arisen in the representation of the area specified in the said column (2). Where notice of the election has at the coming into operation of this order already been given the person elected shall represent the area specified in the said column (2) on the appropriate council until the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1987.

(3) Any casual vacancy which exists at the coming into operation of this order or occurs before the appointed day in any office named or described in Part II of Schedule 2 shall (except where notice of the election has at the coming into operation of this order already been given) not be filled. Any person in office at the appointed day in any such office shall retire from office on that day.

(4) Elections of councillors for the Community of Maesycwmmmer and the community wards named or described in Part III of Schedule 2 shall be held on such day prior to the appointed day as the returning officer shall appoint and the community council election rules for the time being in force shall apply to the elections with any necessary modifications. The persons elected shall come into office on the appointed day and shall retire on the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1987.

Residuary successors

12. In relation to any authority named in column (1) of the following table, for the purposes of any provision of the Regulations which refers to the residuary successor of a dissolved authority, the new community council specified in respect of the first-mentioned authority in column (2) is hereby specified as the residuary successor of such authority.

TABLE	
(1)	(2)
Community Council of Gelligaer	The Community Council of Gelligaer
Community council of Llanfedw, Rhydygwern or Rudry	The Community Council of Rudry
Community Council of Rhymney	The Community Council of Rhymney

Community books, etc.

13.—(1) The specified papers of a community named in column (1) of the following table shall be deposited in the custody of the new community council named in respect of such community in column (2).

TABLE	
(1)	(2)
Rhydygwern or Rudry	The Community Council of Rudry
Rhymney	The Community Council of Rhymney

(2) The specified papers of the Community of Gelligaer shall be deposited in such custody as may, with the approval of the District Council of Rhymney Valley, be agreed between the new community councils of Bargoed, Darren Valley, Gelligaer, New Tredegar and Rhymney, or failing such approval and agreement, as may be directed by the said district council.

(3) In this article, "specified papers", in relation to any community, means the public books, writings and papers of the community (including any photographic copies thereof) and all documents directed by law to be kept therewith.

Expenses of new community councils

14. In the year beginning on the appointed day the District Council of Rhymney Valley may levy rates in each new community and make payments to the new community council as if such council had issued a precept to the district council requiring the payment of a sum not exceeding the product of a rate of 6p in the pound calculated on the total rateable value as set out in the valuation list on the appointed day.

Town and country planning

15. The provisions applicable to any area transferred by article 5 from one county to another of—

- (i) the structure plan;
- (ii) the old development plan (within the meaning of paragraph 2 of Schedule 7 to the Town and Country Planning Act 1971)(a);
- (iii) any local plan which has been adopted by the council of the county from which the area is transferred; and
- (iv) any local plan which has been adopted by the council of the district from which the area is transferred;

shall have effect as if they were—

- (a) in the case of (i) or (ii), contained in similar plans made by the council of the county to which the area is transferred;
- (b) in the case of (iii), a local plan adopted by the council of such county; and
- (c) in the case of (iv), a local plan adopted by the council of the district to which the area is transferred.

Local Acts, orders and byelaws

16. The existing communities named in any entry in column (1) of the following table are hereby specified in relation to regulation 41(4) (Local Acts, orders and byelaws) of the Regulations and the new communities named in respect of such communities in column (2) are hereby specified in relation to such communities.

(a) 1971 c.78.

TABLE

(1)	(2)
Caerphilly	Aber Valley, Caerphilly, Llanbradach, Nelson and Penyrheol
Gelligaer and New Tredegar	Bargoed and New Tredegar
Gelligaer	Darren Valley
Caerphilly and Gelligaer	Gelligaer
Bedwas and Machen	Maesycwmmmer
Gelligaer and Rhymney	Rhymney
Llanfedw, Rhydygwern and Rudry	Rudry

Property, liabilities, contracts, etc., notices and proceedings

17. Regulation 62 of the Regulations shall have effect in respect of any factory in the Tafarnaubach Industrial Estate partly situated in the area transferred by article 5 as if the whole of such factory were situated in such area.

SCHEDULE 1

Article 8

COMMUNITIES: WARDS: COUNCILLORS

(1) Community	(2) Ward	(3) Number of community councillors
<i>New communities</i>		
Aber Valley	Abertridwr	6
	Senghenydd	5
Bargoed	Aberbargoed	4
	Bargoed	5
	Gilfach	2
	Park	2
Caerphilly	Bryncenydd	1
	Castle	3
	Parcyfelin	3
	Tonyfelin	1
	Twyn	2
Darren Valley	Watford	2
	Deri	4
	Fochriw	5
Gelligaer	Cascade	2
	Cefn Hengoed	2
	Greenhill	3
	Hengoed	2
	Tir-y-berth	1
Llanbradach	Ystrad Mynach	3
	Llanbradach	4
	Pwll-y-pant	1
Maesycwmmmer	Wingfield	4
	—	9
Nelson	Llanfabon	3
	Llwyncelyn	6
New Tredegar	Brithdir	2
	Cwmsyflog	3
	New Tredegar	3
	Phillipstown	3
Penyrheol	Tir-Phil	2
	Energlyn	2
	Penyrheol	5
Rhymney	Trecenydd	5
	Abertysswg	3
	Moriah	3
	Pontlottyn	3
	St. David's	2
Rudry	Twyn Carno	4
	Llanfedw	2
	Rhydygwern	2
Other communities	Rudry	5
	Bedwas and Machen	4
	Bedwas	4
	Machen	5
Van	Trethomas	3
	Brynau	2
	Lansbury	4
	Porset	4

COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS

PART I

Councillors continued in office

(1) Existing community ward	(2) New community ward represented on and after appointed day
<i>Bedwas and Machen</i>	<i>Bedwas and Machen</i>
Bedwas	Bedwas
Machen	Machen
Trethomas	Trethomas
<i>Rhymney</i>	<i>Rhymney</i>
Abertysswg	Abertysswg
Rhymney Lower	Moriah
Rhymney Middle	St. David's

PART II

Offices where councillors are to retire at the appointed day

Communities

Councillors of the communities of Llanfedw, Rhydygwern, Rudry and Van.

Community wards

Councillors of the Maesycwmmwr ward of Bedwas and Machen, all the wards of Gelligaer and the Rhymney Upper ward of Rhymney.

PART III

New community wards where elections are to be held before the appointed day

Both wards of Aber Valley

All the wards of Bargoed

All the wards of Caerphilly

Both wards of Darren Valley

All the wards of Gelligaer

All the wards of Llanbradach

Both wards of Nelson

All the wards of New Tredegar

All the wards of Penyrheol

The Pontlottyn and Twyn Carno wards of Rhymney

All the wards of Rudry
All the wards of Van.

Signed by authority of
the Secretary of State.
28th November 1984.

A. J. Beale,
An Under Secretary in
the Welsh Office.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This order continues two communities and constitutes twelve new communities in the District of Rhymney Valley and makes minor alterations in the boundary of the district and the boundary of the County of Mid Glamorgan.

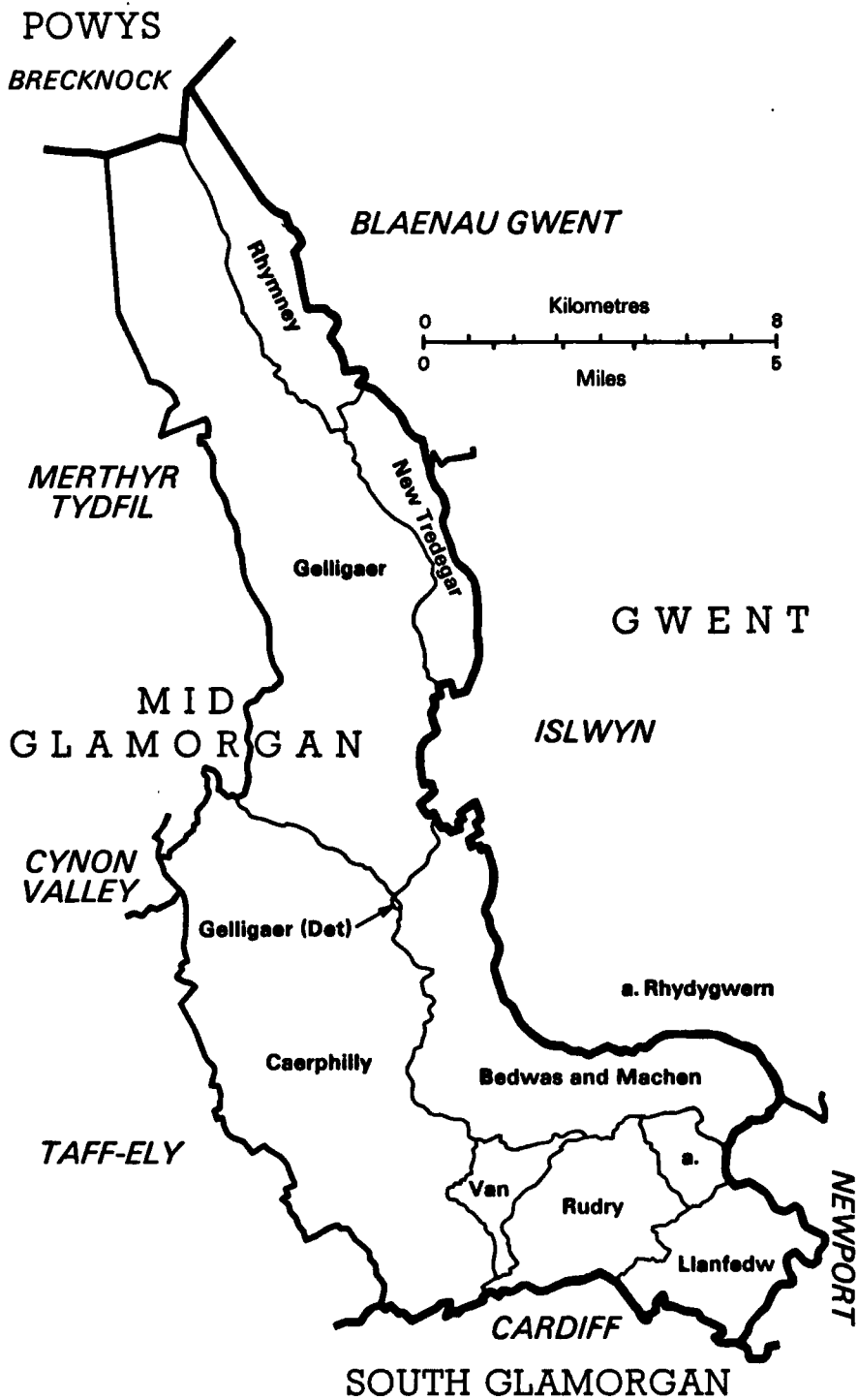
The two continued communities have community councils. The order establishes a community council for each new community.

The maps forming part of this note (pages 12 and 13) show (a) the existing communities, and (b) the continued and new communities and the transferred area referred to in article 5(1) of the order. The map on page 13 also incorporates a grid identifying the sheets of the boundary map referred to in article 4 of the order.

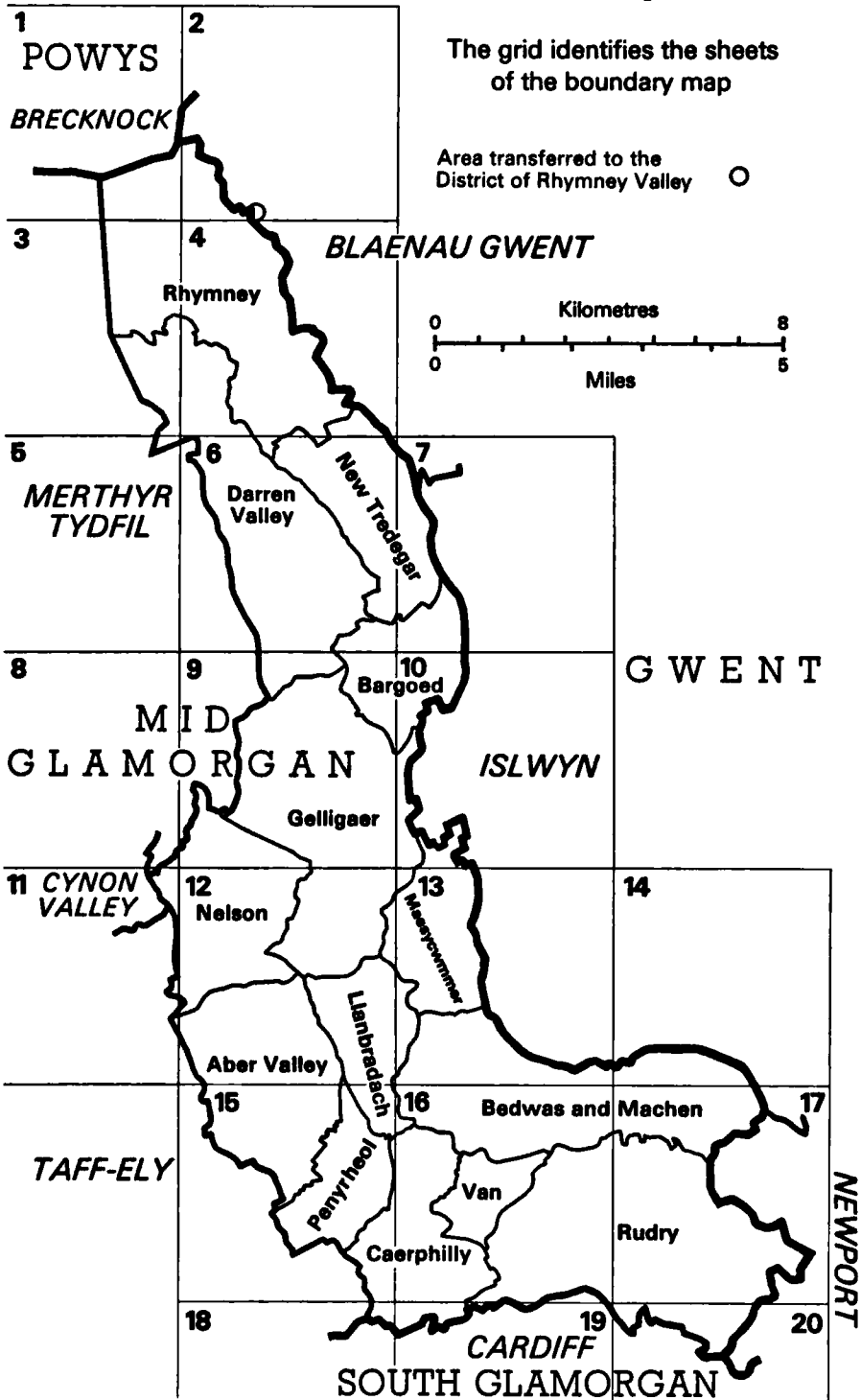
Prints of the boundary map referred to in article 4 of the order may be inspected at the offices of the district councils of Blaenau Gwent, Brecknock and Rhymney Valley. Prints may be purchased from the Welsh Office's Map Library.

Incidental, consequential, transitional and supplementary provision in consequence of orders of the nature of the present one is contained in the Regulations referred to in article 3 of the order.

Existing Communities



Communities as from 1st April 1985



Cartographic Services, Welsh Office.

Based on the Ordnance Survey map.

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