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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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1986 No. 1909

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES**  
**CHANGES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS**  
**The Lancashire (District Boundaries) Order 1986**

*Made* - - - - - 5th November 1986  
*Laid before Parliament* - - - - - 17th November 1986  
*Coming into Operation—*  
*for the purposes described in article 2(1)* 10th December 1986  
*for all other purposes* - - - - - 1st April 1987

Whereas the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, acting pursuant to sections 47 and 51(1) of the Local Government Act 1972(a), has made proposals to the Secretary of State for alterations in the boundaries between the boroughs of Chorley and South Ribble; and in the boundaries between the boroughs of Burnley, Hyndburn, Pendle and Ribble Valley:

And whereas more than six weeks has elapsed since those proposals were made:

And whereas the Secretary of State has decided to give effect to the proposals:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of his powers under sections 51(2) and 67(4) and (5) of the Act and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

*Title and commencement*

1. This order may be cited as the Lancashire (District Boundaries) Order 1986.

2.—(1) 10th December 1986 is hereby specified as the day on which this order shall come into operation for any purpose set out in regulation 4(1) (coming into operation of order) of the Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976(b).

(2) For all other purposes, this order shall come into operation on 1st April 1987.

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(a) 1972 c. 70.

(b) S.I. 1976/246, amended by S.I. 1978/247.

*Interpretation*

3. In this order—

“the boundary maps” means the 4 maps (duly numbered for reference) which are issued by the Department of the Environment as the “Maps of the Lancashire (District Boundaries) Order 1986”; and

“county electoral division” means an electoral division of the county of Lancashire.

*Transfers from the borough of Chorley to the borough of South Ribble*

4.—(1) Those parts of the borough of Chorley and of the parishes of Clayton-le-Woods and Cuerden which are marked D, E and G on boundary maps 2 and 3 shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of South Ribble;
- (b) the Farington ward of that borough;
- (c) the parish of Farington;
- (d) the South Ribble Central county electoral division; and
- (e) the South Ribble petty sessional division.

(2) Those parts of the borough of Chorley and of the parishes of Clayton-le-Woods and Cuerden which are marked F and H on boundary maps 2 and 3 shall cease to form part of any parish, and shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of South Ribble;
- (b) the St. Ambrose Wesley ward of that borough;
- (c) the South Ribble South county electoral division; and
- (d) the South Ribble petty sessional division.

(3) That part of the borough of Chorley and of the parish of Cuerden which is marked C1 on boundary map 3 shall cease to form part of any parish and shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of South Ribble;
- (b) the Walton-le-Dale South ward of that borough;
- (c) the South Ribble East county electoral division; and
- (d) the South Ribble petty sessional division.

(4) That part of the borough of Chorley and of the parish of Cuerden which is marked C2 on boundary map 3 shall cease to form part of any parish, and shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of South Ribble;
- (b) the Walton-le-Dale West ward of that borough;
- (c) the South Ribble North county electoral division; and
- (d) the South Ribble petty sessional division.

(5) That part of the borough of Chorley and of the parish of Ulnes Walton which is marked J on boundary map 2 shall cease to form part of any parish and shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of South Ribble;
- (b) the St. James Moss Side ward of that borough;
- (c) the South Ribble South West county electoral division; and
- (d) the South Ribble petty sessional division.

*Transfers from the borough of South Ribble to the borough of Chorley*

5.—(1) That part of the unparished area of the borough of South Ribble which is marked A on boundary map 1 shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of Chorley;
- (b) the Brindle and Hoghton ward of that borough;
- (c) the Chorley Rural North county electoral division; and
- (d) the Chorley petty sessional division.

It shall form part of the parish of Hoghton.

(2) That part of the unparished area of the borough of South Ribble which is marked B on boundary map 1 shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of Chorley;
- (b) the Clayton-le-Woods East ward of that borough;
- (c) the Chorley Rural North county electoral division; and
- (d) the Chorley petty sessional division.

It shall form part of the parish of Clayton-le-Woods, and of the East ward of that parish.

*Transfers from the borough of Burnley to the borough of Hyndburn*

6. Those parts of the borough of Burnley and of the parishes of Hapton and Simonstone which are marked B1, B2 and C on boundary map 4 shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of Hyndburn;
- (b) the Altham ward of that borough;
- (c) the parish of Altham;
- (d) the Rishton, Clayton-le-Moors and Altham county electoral division;
- (e) the Church petty sessional division; and
- (f) the Blackburn, Hyndburn and Ribble Valley coroners' district.

*Transfer from the borough of Burnley to the borough of Pendle*

7. That part of the borough of Burnley and of the parish of Simonstone which is marked G on boundary map 4 shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of Pendle;
- (b) the Fence ward of that borough;
- (c) the parish of Higham-with-West Close Booth;

- (d) the Pendle West county electoral division; and
- (e) the Pendle petty sessional division.

*Transfer from the borough of Hyndburn to the borough of Burnley*

8. That part of the borough of Hyndburn and of the parish of Altham which is marked D on boundary map 4 shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of Burnley;
- (b) the Hapton ward of that borough;
- (c) the parish of Hapton;
- (d) the Burnley West county electoral division;
- (e) the Burnley petty sessional division; and
- (f) the East Lancashire coroners' district.

*Transfers from the boroughs of Burnley and Hyndburn to the borough of Ribble Valley and creation of a new parish of Simonstone*

9.—(1) That part of the borough of Burnley and of the parish of Simonstone which is marked E on boundary map 4 and those parts of the unparished area of the borough of Burnley which are marked F1 and F2 on boundary map 4 shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of Ribble Valley;
- (b) the Ribble Valley North East county electoral division;
- (c) the Ribble Valley petty sessional division; and
- (d) the Blackburn, Hyndburn and Ribble Valley coroners' division.

(2) Those parts of the borough of Hyndburn and of the parish of Altham which are marked A1 and A2 on boundary map 4 shall be transferred to—

- (a) the borough of Ribble Valley;
- (b) the Ribble Valley North East county electoral division; and
- (c) the Ribble Valley petty sessional division.

(3) The areas transferred by paragraphs (1) and (2) of this article shall form the area of a new parish of Simonstone.

(4) The boundary of the area marked E on boundary map 4 between the points marked A and B on that boundary map shall be the south-easterly edge of the watercourse running between those points. The area to the south-east of that boundary shall be part of the unparished area of the borough of Burnley, and the area to the north-west of that boundary shall be part of the borough of Ribble Valley and of the parish of Simonstone.

*Parish of Simonstone in the borough of Ribble Valley*

10.—(1) There shall be a parish council for the new parish of Simonstone in the borough of Ribble Valley.

(2) From 1st April 1987 until 11th May 1987 the parish council of the new parish of Simonstone shall consist of those persons representing the parish of Simonstone in the borough of Burnley immediately before 1st April 1987. Thereafter it shall consist of 7 parish councillors.

(3) The proper officer of Ribble Valley Borough Council shall convene—  
the first annual meeting of the parish council for the new parish; and the first assembly of the parish meeting of the new parish.

If in the new parish the first assembly of the parish meeting is held before the first annual meeting of the parish council for the new parish, the parish meeting of the new parish may appoint a person to take the chair, who shall have, for the purpose of that occasion only, the powers and authority of a chairman.

(4) In the financial year beginning on 1st April 1987, the Ribble Valley Borough Council shall levy rates in the new parish of Simonstone, and make payments to the parish council of that parish as if that parish council had issued a precept to the Ribble Valley Borough Council requiring the payment of a sum equal to the product of a rate of 0.5 pence in the pound, calculated on the total rateable value of the new parish as set out in the valuation lists at the beginning of that financial year.

*Parishes and the unparished area of the borough of Burnley*

11.—(1) That part of the parish of Simonstone in the borough of Burnley which is marked K on boundary map 4 shall be transferred to the parish of Ightenhill and to the Whittlefield ward of the borough of Burnley.

(2) Those parts of the parish of Simonstone in the borough of Burnley which are marked H, J1 and J2 on boundary map 4 shall cease to be part of any parish. The part marked H shall be transferred to the Park ward of the borough of Burnley, and the parts marked J1 and J2 shall be transferred to the Gawthorpe ward of that borough.

(3) Those parts of the unparished area of the borough of Burnley which are marked M, L1, L2 and L3 on boundary map 4 shall become part of the parish of Ightenhill and shall be transferred to the Whittlefield ward of the borough of Burnley.

(4) The parish and parish council of Simonstone as constituted immediately before 1st April 1987 shall be abolished. The new parish council of Simonstone created by article 10 shall be its residuary successor, and shall have custody of all the public books and documents of the parish.

*Electoral arrangements in the boroughs of Chorley and South Ribble*

12.—(1) From 11th May 1987 the representation of the Clayton-le-Woods East ward of the borough of Chorley shall be increased from 2 to 3.

(2) The additional representative for the Clayton-le-Woods East ward of the borough of Chorley shall be elected on 7th May 1987, and shall retire on the fourth day after the ordinary day of elections in 1990 and every fourth year thereafter.

(3) That part of the unparished area of the borough of South Ribble which is marked K on boundary map 3 shall be transferred to the Walton-le-Dale West ward of that borough, and to the South Ribble North county electoral division.

*Electoral arrangements in the borough of Burnley*

13.—(1) That part of the area of the Simonstone Hill ward of the borough of Burnley which is marked N on boundary map 4 shall be transferred to the Whittlefield ward of that borough.

(2) The Simonstone ward of the borough of Burnley shall be abolished and the borough councillor representing that ward shall retire on 1st April 1987.

*Electoral arrangements in the borough of Ribble Valley*

14.—(1) There shall be created in the borough of Ribble Valley a new borough ward, to be known as the Simonstone borough ward, which shall consist of the area of the new parish of Simonstone created by article 9.

(2) From 1st April 1987 until 11th May 1987 the new Simonstone ward of the borough of Ribble Valley shall be represented by the person representing the Simonstone ward of the Borough of Burnley immediately before 1st April 1987. Thereafter it shall be represented by 1 borough councillor.

*Town and country planning*

15. Any provisions of a local plan adopted by a borough council which apply immediately before 1st April 1987 to an area transferred by this order shall continue to have effect in relation to that area as if they were part of such a plan adopted by the council of the borough to which the area is transferred.

*Land registration*

16. Registration of title under the Land Registration Acts 1925 to 1986<sup>(a)</sup> shall remain compulsory on sale in the new parish of Simonstone created by article 9.

Signed by authority of  
the Secretary of State

*Christopher Chope,*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State  
Department of the Environment.

5th November 1986.

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(a) 1925 c. 21; 1936 c. 26; 1966 c. 39; 1971 c. 54; 1986 c. 26.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the order.)*

This order—

- (a) makes transfers between the boroughs of Chorley and South Ribble;
- (b) makes transfers between the boroughs of Burnley and the boroughs of Hyndburn, Pendle and Ribble Valley;
- (c) makes a transfer from the borough of Hyndburn to the borough of Ribble Valley;
- (d) creates a new parish of Simonstone in the borough of Ribble Valley; and
- (e) makes consequential alterations to parishes and electoral areas in those boroughs.

The maps forming part of this note (pages 8 and 9) give a general guide to the areas affected by this order as from 1st April 1987.

Prints of the detailed boundary maps, which are referred to in article 3, may be inspected at the offices of the borough councils, and may be inspected at or purchased from the Department of the Environment's Map Library, 2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 3EB.

The table below shows the approximate areas, populations and rateable values transferred between the boroughs—

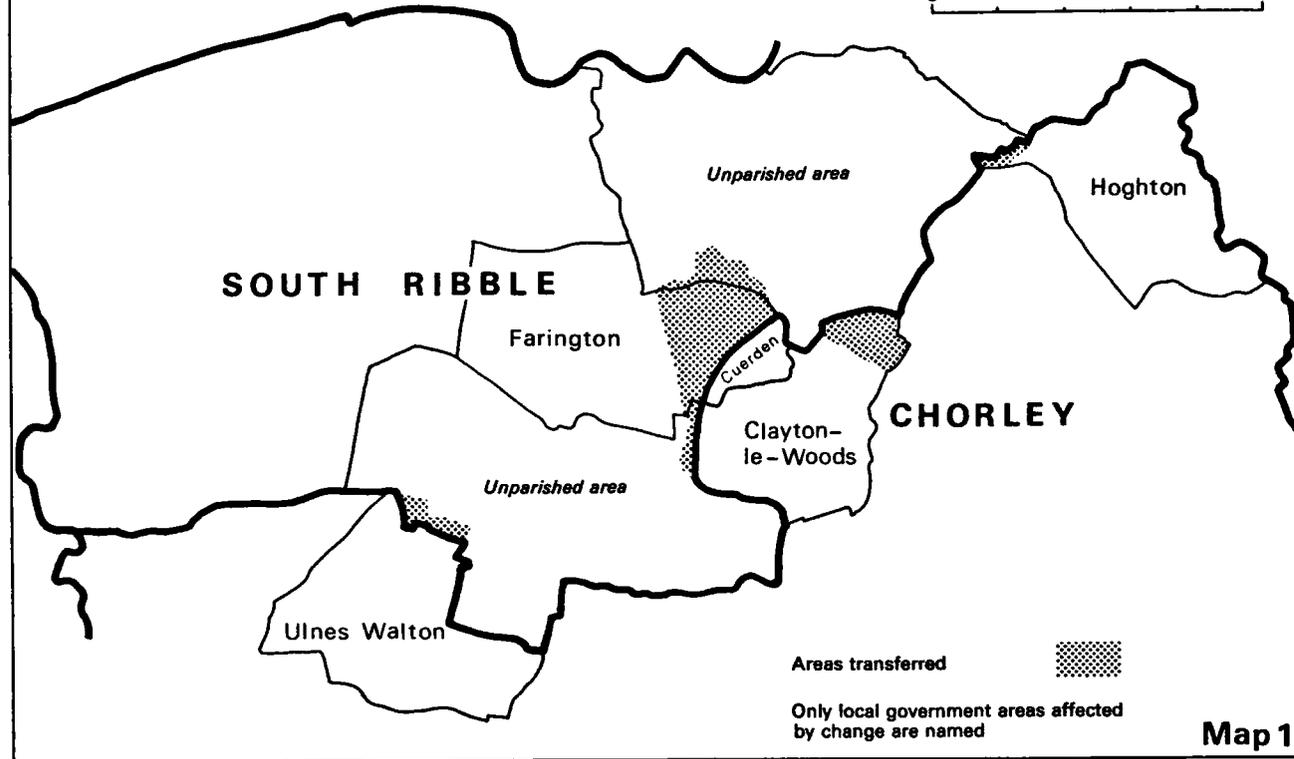
Transferred from	Transferred to—	Area (in hectares)	Population	Rateable Value
Chorley	South Ribble	273.5	2,328	£227,205.
South Ribble	Chorley	85	3,450	£227,230.
Burnley	Hyndburn	0.88	nil	nil
Burnley	Pendle	135.17	18	£604.
Burnley	Ribble Valley	553	1,330	£282,245.
Hyndburn	Burnley	less than 1.0	nil	nil
Hyndburn	Ribble Valley	13.10	3	£839.

The new parish of Simonstone in the borough of Ribble Valley will have approximately an area of 566.1 hectares, a population of 1,333 and a rateable value of £283,084.

The Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976, mentioned in article 2(1), contain further provisions about the effect and implementation of orders such as the present one.

# Areas as from 1 April 1987

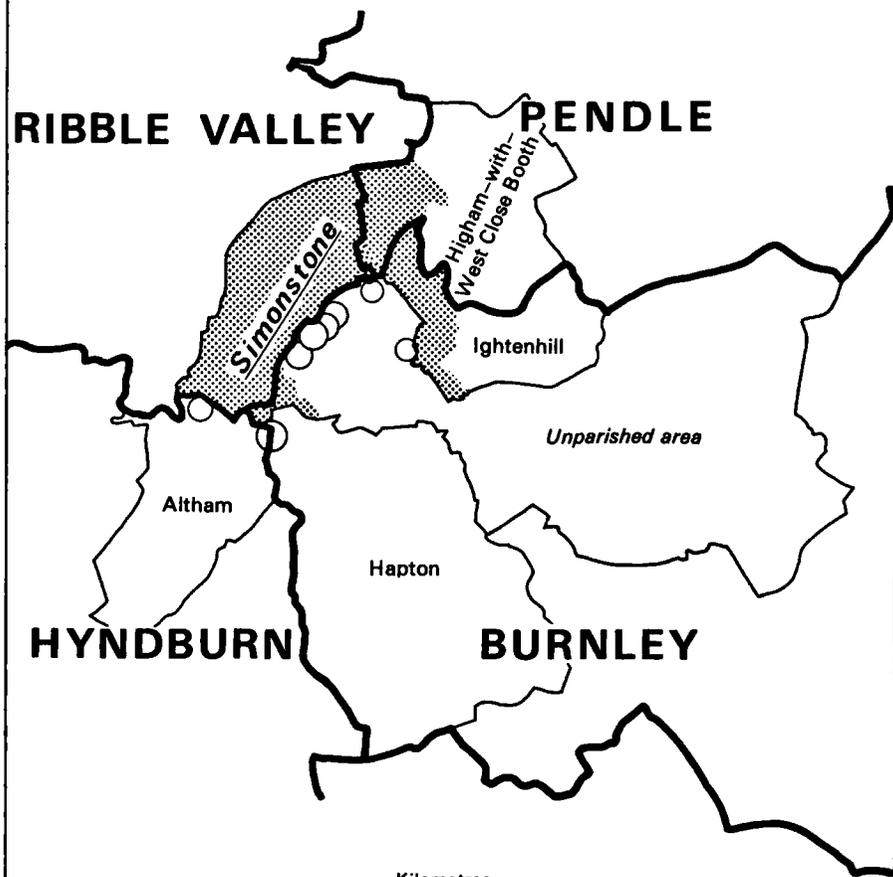
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Based on the Ordnance Survey map

Map 1  
Cartographic Services DOE

# Areas as from 1 April 1987



Main areas transferred



New parish named in bold italics and underlined

Location of minor transfers shown by circles

Only local government areas affected by change are named

**Map 2**