
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999 No. 2393

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Isle of Wight (Electoral Changes) Order 1999

*Made - - - - 26th August 1999
Coming into force in
accordance with article 1(2)*

Whereas the Local Government Commission for England, acting pursuant to section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 1992⁽¹⁾ has submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated June 1997 on its review of the Isle of Wight together with its recommendations:

And whereas the Isle of Wight Council, acting in accordance with Part II of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997⁽²⁾ has made recommendations to the Secretary of State for new wards in the parish of East Cowes:

And whereas the Secretary of State has decided to give effect to the recommendations of the Local Government Commission for England, subject only to the modifications recommended by the said Council, which he accepts:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 17⁽³⁾ and 26 of the Local Government Act 1992, and sections 14 and 23 of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Isle of Wight (Electoral Changes) Order 1999.
- (2) This Order shall come into force—
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on 3rd May 2001, on 10th October 2000.
 - (b) for all other purposes, on 3rd May 2001.
- (3) In this Order—

“county” means the county of the Isle of Wight;

“division” means an electoral division of the county;

(1) 1992 c. 19.

(2) 1997 c. 29.

(3) Section 17 is amended by section 39(4) and (5) of the Police and Magistrates' Courts Act 1994 (c. 29).

“existing”, in relation to a division, means the division as it exists on the date this Order is made;

any reference to the map is a reference to the map prepared by the Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions marked “Map of the Isle of Wight (Electoral Changes) Order 1999”, and deposited in accordance with regulation 27 of the Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994(4); and

any reference to a numbered sheet is a reference to the sheet of the map which bears that number.

Divisions of the Isle of Wight

2.—(1) The existing divisions of the county(5) shall be abolished.

(2) The county shall be divided into forty-eight divisions which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 1.

(3) The divisions shall comprise the areas described in column (2) of that Schedule by reference to parishes or parish wards or, where no area is so described, the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the division and demarcated by red lines.

(4) Where a boundary is shown on the map as running along a road, railway line, footway, waterway or other similar geographical feature, it shall be treated as running along the centre line of the feature.

Wards of the parish of Bembridge

3.—(1) The parish of Bembridge shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names Bembridge North and Bembridge South; and each parish ward shall comprise the area of the division of the county bearing the same name.

(2) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be six.

Wards of the parish of Cowes

4.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Cowes shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into four parish wards which shall bear the names Cowes Castle East, Cowes Castle West, Cowes Central and Cowes Medina; and each parish ward shall comprise the area of the division of the county bearing the same name.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be four.

Wards of the parish of East Cowes

5.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of East Cowes shall be abolished(6).

(2) The parish shall be divided into three parish wards which shall bear the names East Cowes North, East Cowes South and Osborne; the parish wards of East Cowes North and East Cowes South shall be coterminous with the county divisions of the same name, and the Osborne parish ward shall consist of the rest of the parish.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for each of the East Cowes North and East Cowes South wards shall be three and, for the Osborne ward, shall be two.

(4) S.I.1994/867, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(5) See the Isle of Wight (Structural Change) Order 1994 (S.I. 1994/1210).

(6) See the Isle of Wight (Parishes) Order 1998 (S.I. 1998/324).

Wards of the parish of Lake

6.—(1) The parish of Lake shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names Lake North and Lake South; and each parish ward shall comprise the area of the division of the county bearing the same name.

(2) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be six.

Wards of the parish of Sandown

7.—(1) The parish of Sandown shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names Sandown North and Sandown South; and each parish ward shall comprise the area of the division of the county bearing the same name.

(2) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be six.

Wards of the parish of Shanklin

8.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Shanklin shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into three parish wards which shall bear the names Shanklin Central, Shanklin North and Shanklin South; and each parish ward shall comprise the area of the division of the county bearing the same name.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be five.

Wards of the parish of Shorwell

9. The existing wards of the parish of Shorwell shall be abolished and the number of councillors to be elected for the council of that parish shall be six.

Wards of the parish of Ventnor

10.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Ventnor shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into five parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 2; each parish ward shall comprise the areas designated on sheet 2 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines, and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be the number specified in column (2) of that Schedule.

Wards of the parish of Yarmouth

11. The number of councillors to be elected for the Thorley ward of the parish of Yarmouth shall be two.

Revocation

12. Article 5(3) of the Isle of Wight (Structural Change) Order 1994 is hereby revoked.

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions

Beverley Hughes
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of the Environment, Transport and
the Regions

26th August 1999

SCHEDULE 1

Article 2

THE ISLE OF WIGHT: NAMES AND AREAS OF DIVISIONS

| <i>(1)</i> <i>Name of Division</i> | <i>(2)</i> <i>Area of Division</i> |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Ashey | |
| Bembridge North | |
| Bembridge South | |
| Binstead | |
| Brading and St Helens | The parishes of Brading and St Helens |
| Brighstone and Calbourne | The parishes of Brighstone and Calbourne |
| Carisbrooke East | |
| Carisbrooke West | |
| Central Rural | The parishes of Arreton, Gatcombe, Rookley and Shorwell |
| Chale, Niton and Whitwell | The parishes of Chale and Niton & Whitwell |
| Cowes Castle East | |
| Cowes Castle West | |
| Cowes Central | |
| Cowes Medina | |
| East Cowes North | |
| East Cowes South | |
| Fairlee | |
| Freshwater Afton | The parish ward of Freshwater Afton of the parish of Freshwater |
| Freshwater Norton | The parish ward of Freshwater Norton of the parish of Freshwater |
| Gurnard | The parish of Gurnard |
| Lake North | |
| Lake South | |
| Mount Joy | |
| Newchurch | The parish of Newchurch |
| Newport North | |
| Newport South | |
| Northwood | |
| Osborne | |
| Pan | |

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| Parkhurst | |
| Ryde North East | |
| Ryde North West | |
| Ryde South East | |
| Ryde South West | |
| St Johns East | |
| St Johns West | |
| Sandown North | |
| Sandown South | |
| Seaview and Nettlestone | The parish of Nettlestone and Seaview |
| Shalfleet and Yarmouth | The parishes of Shalfleet and Yarmouth |
| Shanklin Central | |
| Shanklin North | |
| Shanklin South | |
| Totland | The parish of Totland |
| Ventnor East | |
| Ventnor West | |
| Wootton | The parish of Wootton Bridge |
| Wroxall and Godshell | The parishes of Godshell and Wroxall |

SCHEDULE 2

Article 10

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF VENTNOR: NAMES OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

| <i>(1)</i> <i>Name of Ward</i> | <i>(2)</i> <i>Number of Councillors</i> |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Bonchurch | 1 |
| Lowtherville | 2 |
| St Lawrence | 2 |
| Ventnor East | 3 |
| Ventnor West | 3 |

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations by the Local Government Commission for England and the Isle of Wight Council for electoral changes in the Isle of Wight. The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after 3rd May 2001.

Article 2 abolishes the existing divisions of the county and provides for the creation of 48 new divisions. That article and Schedule 1 also make provision for the names and areas of the new divisions.

Articles 3 to 11 make electoral changes in the parishes of Bembridge, Cowes, East Cowes, Lake, Sandown, Shanklin, Shorwell, Ventnor (to which Schedule 2 is also relevant) and Yarmouth.

Article 12 revokes article 5(3) of the Isle of Wight (Structural Change) Order 1994 which established the existing county divisions.

The areas of the new county divisions and parish wards are demarcated on the map described in article 1(3). Prints of the map may be inspected at all reasonable times at the offices of the Isle of Wight Council and at the offices of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, 2nd Floor, Ashdown House, 123 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6DE.