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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2001 No. 3588**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND**

**The District of Dover (Electoral Changes) Order 2001**

*Made - - - - 1st November 2001*

*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<sup>(1)</sup>, has submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated May 2001 on its review of the district of Dover together with its recommendations:

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

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 17<sup>(2)</sup> and 26 of the Local Government Act 1992, 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 District of Dover (Electoral Changes) Order 2001.

(2) This Order shall come into force—

- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on 1st May 2003, on 15th October 2002;
- (b) for all other purposes, on 1st May 2003.

(3) In this Order—

“district” means the district of Dover;

“existing”, in relation to a ward, means the ward 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 for Transport, Local Government and the Regions marked “Map of the District of Dover (Electoral Changes) Order 2001”, and deposited in accordance with regulation 27 of the Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994<sup>(3)</sup>; and

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

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(1) 1992 c. 19.

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

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

### **Wards of the district of Dover**

2.—(1) The existing wards of the district<sup>(4)</sup> shall be abolished.

(2) The district shall be divided into twenty-one wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 1.

(3) The wards shall comprise the areas described in column (2) of that Schedule by reference to parishes, or, where an area is not so described, the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by red lines; and the number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be the number specified in respect of the ward in column (3) of that Schedule.

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

### **Elections of the council of Dover**

3.—(1) The ordinary elections of all councillors of the district of Dover shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of non-metropolitan district councillors in 2003<sup>(5)</sup> and every fourth year after 2003.

(2) The term of office of councillors shall be four years; and all councillors shall retire on the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in the year of retirement and the newly-elected councillors shall come into office on the day on which their predecessors retire.

### **Wards of the parish of Deal**

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

(2) The parish shall be divided into three parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 2; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2) of that Schedule; and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be five.

### **Wards of the parish of Dover**

5.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Dover shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into six parish wards which shall bear the names Buckland, Castle, Maxton, Elms Vale and Priory, St Radigunds, Tower Hamlets and Town and Pier; and each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward bearing the same name.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for each of the Buckland and Maxton, Elms Vale and Priory parish wards shall be four, for each of the St Radigunds and Tower Hamlets parish wards shall be three, and for each of the Castle, and Town and Pier parish wards shall be two.

### **Wards of the parish of Walmer**

6.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Walmer shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into four parish wards which shall bear the names Gladstone, Lower Walmer St Saviours, Lower Walmer Wellington and Upper Walmer; and the wards shall

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(4) See the District of Dover (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1978 (S.I. 1978/1749) as amended by the Kent (District Boundaries) Order 1987 (S.I. 1987/305) and the Dover (Parishes) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/88).

(5) For the ordinary day of election of councillors of local government areas, see section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2), amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50) and section 17 of, and paragraphs 1 and 5 of Schedule 3 to, the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c. 29).

comprise the areas designated on sheet 3 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for the Gladstone parish ward shall be two, for each of the Lower Walmer St Saviours and Lower Walmer Wellington parish wards shall be four, and for the Upper Walmer parish ward shall be five.

**Revocation**

7. The District of Dover (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1978 is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport, Local Government and the Regions.

*Alan Whitehead*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,  
Department for Transport, Local Government  
and the Regions

1st November 2001

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## SCHEDULE 1

article 2

## NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

| <i>(1)</i><br><i>Name of Ward</i> | <i>(2)</i><br><i>Area of Ward</i>   | <i>(3)</i><br><i>Number of Councillors</i> |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| Aylesham                          | The parishes of Aylesham and Nonington  | 2  |
| Buckland                          |   | 3  |
| Capel-le-Ferne                    | The parishes of Capel-le-Ferne and Hougham Without                            | 1  |
| Castle                            |   | 1  |
| Eastry                            | The parishes of Eastry, Great Mongeham, Northbourne, Sutton and Tilmanstone   | 2  |
| Eythorne and Shepherdswell        | The parishes of Denton with Wootton, Eythorne, and Shepherdswell with Coldred | 2  |
| Little Stour and Ashstone         | The parishes of Ash, Goodnestone, Preston, Staple, Stourmouth and Wingham     | 3  |
| Lydden and Temple Ewell           | The parishes of Lydden and Temple Ewell                                       | 1  |
| Maxton, Elms Vale and Priory      |   | 3  |
| Middle Deal and Sholden           |   | 3  |
| Mill Hill                         |   | 3  |
| North Deal                        |   | 3  |
| Ringwould                         | The parish of Ringwould with Kingsdown  | 1  |
| River                             | The parishes of Alkham and River  | 2  |
| St Margaret's-at-Cliffe           | The parishes of Guston, Langdon, Ripple and St Margaret's-at-Cliffe           | 2  |
| St Radigunds                      |   | 2  |
| Sandwich                          | The parishes of Sandwich, Woodnesborough and Worth                            | 3  |
| Tower Hamlets                     |   | 2  |
| Town and Pier                     |   | 1  |
| Walmer                            |   | 3  |
| Whitfield                         | The parish of Whitfield   | 2  |

SCHEDULE 2

article 4

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF DEAL

*NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS*

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| <i>(1)</i><br><i>Name of Ward</i> | <i>(2)</i><br><i>Area of Ward</i>   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Middle Deal                       | So much of the district ward of Middle Deal and Sholden as comprises part of the parish of Deal |
| Mill Hill                         | The district ward of Mill Hill  |
| North Deal                        | So much of the district ward of North Deal as comprises part of the parish of Deal              |

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order gives effect to recommendations by the Local Government Commission for England for electoral changes in the district of Dover. The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after 1st May 2003.

Article 2 abolishes the existing wards of the district and provides for the creation of 21 new wards. That article and the Schedule 1 also make provision for the names and areas of, and number of councillors for, the new wards.

Article 3 provides for the election of all councillors of the district of Dover to take place in 2003 and every 4 years after that year.

Articles 4 to 6 make electoral changes in the parishes of Deal, Dover and Walmer.

Article 7 revokes the District of Dover (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1978.

The areas of the new district 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 Dover District Council and at the offices of the Secretary of State for Transport, Local Government and the Regions, 2nd Floor, Ashdown House, 123 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6DE.