
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 2817

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The County of Shropshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2004

Made - - - - 28th October 2004

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

Whereas the Boundary Committee for England⁽¹⁾, acting pursuant to section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 1992⁽²⁾, has submitted to the Electoral Commission⁽³⁾ recommendations dated April 2004 on its review of the county of Shropshire:

And whereas the Electoral Commission have decided to give effect to those recommendations:

And whereas a period of not less than six weeks has expired since the receipt of those recommendations:

Now, therefore, the Electoral Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 17⁽⁴⁾ and 26⁽⁵⁾ of the Local Government Act 1992, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

Citation and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the County of Shropshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2004.
- (2) This Order shall come into force –
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2005, on the day after that on which it is made;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2005.

(1) The Boundary Committee for England is a committee of the Electoral Commission, established by the Electoral Commission in accordance with section 14 of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41). The Local Government Commission for England (Transfer of Functions) Order 2001 (S.I.2001/3962) transferred to the Electoral Commission the functions of the Local Government Commission for England.

(2) 1992 c. 19. This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

(3) The Electoral Commission was established by the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41). The functions of the Secretary of State, under sections 13 to 15 and 17 of the Local Government Act 1992 (c. 19), to the extent that they relate to electoral changes within the meaning of that Act, were transferred with modifications to the Electoral Commission on 1st April 2002 (S.I. 2001/3962).

(4) This section has been amended by section 89(3) of the Local Government Act 2000 (c. 22), S.I. 2001/3962 and also otherwise in ways not relevant to this Order.

(5) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

Interpretation

2. In this Order –

“county” means the county of Shropshire;

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

references to wards, unless the context otherwise requires, are references to district and borough wards in the county(6); and

any reference to the map is a reference to the map marked “Map referred to in the County of Shropshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2004”, of which prints are available for inspection at –

- (a) the principal office of the Electoral Commission; and
- (b) the offices of Shropshire County Council.

Electoral divisions of the county of Shropshire

3.—(1) The existing electoral divisions of the county(7) shall be abolished.

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

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

Maps

4. Shropshire County Council shall make a print of the map marked “Map referred to in the County of Shropshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2004” available for inspection at its offices by any member of the public at any reasonable time.

Electoral registers

5. The Electoral Registration Officer(8) for each district or borough in the county shall make such rearrangement of, or adaptation of, the register of local government electors as may be necessary for the purposes of, and in consequence of, this Order.

(6) See the District of Bridgnorth (Electoral Changes) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/1417), the District of North Shropshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/1419), the Borough of Oswestry (Electoral Changes) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/1418), the Borough of Shrewsbury and Atcham (Electoral Changes) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/1725), and the District of South Shropshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/1420) as amended by the District of South Shropshire (Electoral Changes) (Amendment) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/3364).

(7) See the County of Shropshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/1297). The area of the county of Shropshire was altered by the Hereford and Worcester and Shropshire (County Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I. 1991/284), and the Shropshire (District of The Wrekin) (Structural Change) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/1866).

(8) As to electoral registration officers and the register of local government electors, see sections 8 to 13 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2).

Revocation

6. The County of Shropshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1980(9) is revoked, save for article 4.

Sealed with the seal of the Electoral Commission on the 28th day of October 2004

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28th October 2004

Sam Younger
Chairman of the Commission

28th October 2004

Jacqui Dixon
Secretary to the Commission

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SCHEDULE

article 3

NAMES AND AREAS OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

<i>Column (1)</i> <i>Name of Electoral Division</i>	<i>Column (2)</i> <i>Area of Electoral Division</i>	<i>Column (3)</i> <i>Number of Councillors</i>
In the district of Bridgnorth		
Albrighton	Albrighton South ward; Donington and Albrighton North ward	1
Bridgnorth East	Bridgnorth East ward; Bridgnorth Morfe ward	1
Bridgnorth Rural	Alveley ward; Glazeley ward	1
Bridgnorth West	Bridgnorth Castle ward; Bridgnorth West ward	1
Broseley	Broseley East ward; Broseley West ward	1
Morfe	Claverley ward; Harrington ward; Worfield ward	1
Much Wenlock	Morville ward; Much Wenlock ward; Aston Botterell parish; Burwarton parish; Cleobury North parish; Ditton Priors parish; Neenton parish	1
Shifnal	Shifnal Idsall ward; Shifnal Manor ward; Shifnal Rural ward	1
Stottesdon	Highley ward; Stottesdon ward; Farlow parish	1
In the district of North Shropshire		
Baschurch	Baschurch ward; Cockshutt ward; Hordley, Tetchill and Lyneal ward; Welshampton parish ward of Welshampton and Lyneal parish	1
Ellesmere	Dudleston Heath ward; Ellesmere Urban parish	1
Market Drayton	Market Drayton East ward; Market Drayton North ward; Market Drayton South ward	2
Market Drayton Rural	Hinstock ward; Shavington ward; Sutton ward; Woore ward	1
Prees	Prees ward; Whitchurch Rural ward; Whitchurch South ward	1

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Shawbury	Hodnet ward; Shawbury ward	1
Wem	Wem East ward; Wem West ward	1
Wem Rural	Clive and Myddle ward; Wem Rural ward, Whixhall ward	1
Whitchurch	Whitchurch North ward; Whitchurch West ward	1
In the borough of Oswestry		
Oswestry	Cabin Lane ward; Cambrian ward; Carreg Llwyd ward; Castle ward; Gatacre ward	2
Ruyton-XI-Towns	Kinnerley ward; Llanyblodwel and Pant ward; Ruyton and West Felton ward	1
St Oswald	Maserfield ward; Sweeney and Trefonen ward	1
Weston Rhyn	St Martin's ward; Weston Rhyn ward	1
Whittington	Gobowen ward; Whittington ward	1
In the borough of Shrewsbury and Atcham		
Bagley		1
Bayston Hill	Bayston Hill ward	1
Belle-Vue		1
Burnell	Condover ward; Lawley ward; Longden parish	1
Castlefields and Ditherington		1
Copthorne		1
Harlescott		1
Loton	Montford ward; Rowton ward; Yockleton parish ward of Westbury parish	1
Meole-Brace		1
Monkmoor		1
Porthill		1
Rea Valley	Great Hanwood parish; Minsterley parish; Pontesbury parish	1
Sundorne		1

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Sutton and Reabrook		1
Tern	Haughmond and Attingham ward; Pimhill ward; Severn Valley ward	1
Underdale		1
In the district of South Shropshire		
Bishop's Castle	Bishop's Castle with Onny Valley ward; Chirbury ward; Worthen ward	1
Church Stretton	Apedale ward; Church Stretton North ward; Church Stretton South ward; Wistanstow parish	1
Clee	Burford ward; Clee ward; Cleobury Mortimer ward	1
Clun	Bucknell ward; Clun ward; Clun Forest ward; Kemp Valley ward; Hopesay parish; Sibdon Carwood parish	1
Corvedale	Bitterley with Stoke St Milborough ward; Corve Valley ward; Stokesay ward; Upper Corvedale ward	1
Ludlow	Ludlow St Laurence's ward; Ludlow St Peter's ward	1
Ludlow Rural	Caynham with Ashford ward; Ludlow Henley ward; Ludlow Sheet with Ludford ward	1

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations by the Boundary Committee for England, a committee of the Electoral Commission, for electoral changes in the county of Shropshire.

The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2005.

Article 3 abolishes the existing electoral divisions of the county and provides for the creation of 46 new electoral divisions. That article and the Schedule also make provision for the names and areas of, and numbers of councillors for, the new electoral divisions.

Article 5 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer in each district or borough in the county of Shropshire to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register for that district or borough to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

Article 6 revokes the County of Shropshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1980, with the exception of article 4.

The areas of the new electoral divisions are demarcated on the map described in article 2. Prints of the map may be inspected at all reasonable times at the offices of Shropshire County Council and at the principal office of the Electoral Commission at Trevelyan House, Great Peter Street, London SW1P 2HW.