STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 175

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The County of West Sussex (Electoral Changes) Order 2005

Made - - - - 1st February 2005 Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and 1(3)

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 September 2004 on its review of the county of West Sussex:

And whereas the Electoral Commission have decided to give effect, with modifications, 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 West Sussex (Electoral Changes) Order 2005.
- (2) This Order, with the exception of article 4, 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.
- (3) Article 4 shall come into force –

⁽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.

- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of a parish councillor for the parish of Rustington to be held on the ordinary day of elections in 2007, on 15th October 2006;
- (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of elections in 2007.

Interpretation

2. In this Order –

"county" means the county of West Sussex;

"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);

any reference to the map is a reference to the map marked "Map referred to in the County of West Sussex (Electoral Changes) Order 2005", of which prints are available for inspection at –

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

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

Electoral divisions of the county of West Sussex

- **3.**—(1) The existing electoral divisions of the county(7) shall be abolished.
- (2) The county shall be divided into sixty-two 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.

Wards of the parish of Rustington

- **4.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Rustington shall be abolished.
- (2) The parish shall be divided into four parish wards which shall bear the names Rustington East, Rustington North, Rustington West and West Preston; and the wards shall comprise the areas designated on sheet 2 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

⁽⁶⁾ See the District of Adur (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2991), the District of Arun (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2885), the District of Chichester (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2883), the Borough of Crawley (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2990), the District of Horsham (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2890), the District of Mid Sussex (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2891) and the Borough of Worthing (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/2884).

⁽⁷⁾ See the County of West Sussex (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1985 (S.I. 1985/335). The area of the county of West Sussex was altered by the Dorset, Hampshire, West Sussex and Wiltshire (County Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I. 1991/2247), the Surrey and West Sussex (County Boundaries) Order 1992 (S.I. 1992/2093) and the East Sussex, West Sussex and Kent (County Boundaries) Order 1992 (S.I. 1992/2096).

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(3) The number of councillors to be elected for the Rustington West parish ward shall be seven, for the Rustington East parish ward shall be six, for the Rustington North parish ward shall be two, and for the West Preston parish ward shall be one.

Maps

5. West Sussex County Council shall make a print of the map marked "Map referred to in the County of West Sussex (Electoral Changes) Order 2005" available for inspection at its offices by any member of the public at any reasonable time.

Electoral registers

6. 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.

Revocation

7. The County of West Sussex (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1985(9) is revoked, save for article 5.

Sealed with the seal of the Electoral Commission on the 1st day of February 2005

L.S.

1st February 2005

Sam Younger Chairman of the Commission

1st February 2005

Peter Wardle
Chief Executive to the Commission

⁽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).

⁽⁹⁾ S.I. 1985/335.

SCHEDULE article 3

NAMES AND AREAS OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

Column (1)	Column (2)	Column (3)
Name of Electoral Division In the district of Adur	Area of Electoral Division	Number of Councillors
Kingston Buci		1
Lancing	Churchill ward; Manor ward; Mash Barn ward	1
Saltings	Marine ward; Widewater ward	1
Shoreham		1
Sompting	Cokeham ward; Peverel ward	1
Southwick		1
In the district of Arun		
Angmering and Findon	Angmering ward; Findon ward	1
Arundel and Wick	Arundel ward; Wick with Toddington ward	1
Bersted	Bersted ward; Pevensey ward	1
Bognor Regis East	Hotham ward; Orchard ward	1
Bognor Regis West and Aldwick	Aldwick East ward; Marine ward	1
East Preston and Ferring	East Preston with Kingston ward; Ferring ward	1
Felpham	Felpham East ward; Felpham West ward	1
Fontwell	Barnham ward; Walberton ward	1
Littlehampton East	Beach ward; Brookfield ward; Rustington North parish ward of Rustington parish	1
Littlehampton Town	Ham ward; River ward	1
Middleton	Middleton-on-Sea ward; Yapton ward	1
Nyetimber	Aldwick West ward; Pagham and Rose Green ward	1
Rustington	Rustington East ward; Rustington West parish ward of Rustington parish	1
In the district of Chichester		
Bourne	Southbourne ward; Westbourne ward; Chidham parish; Compton parish;	1

Column (1)	Column (2)	Column (3)
Name of Electoral Division	Area of Electoral Division Marden parish; Stoughton parish	Number of Councillors
Chichester East	Chichester East ward; North Mundham ward; Tangmere ward	1
Chichester North	Boxgrove ward; Chichester North ward; Lavant ward	1
Chichester South	Chichester South ward; Donnington ward; Sidlesham ward	1
Chichester West	Chichester West ward; Fishbourne ward; Bosham parish; Funtington parish	1
Fernhurst	Bury ward; Easebourne ward; Fernhurst ward; Cocking parish; Heyshott parish; West Lavington parish	1
Midhurst	Harting ward; Midhurst ward; Rogate ward; Bepton parish; Stedham with Iping parish; Woolbeding parish	1
Petworth	Petworth ward; Plaistow ward; Wisborough Green ward	1
Selsey	Selsey North ward; Selsey South ward	1
The Witterings	East Wittering ward; West Wittering ward	1
In the borough of Crawley		
Bewbush, Gossops Green and Southgate	Bewbush ward; Gossops Green ward; Southgate ward	2
Broadfield	Broadfield North ward; Broadfield South ward	1
Ifield, Langley Green and West Green	Ifield ward; Langley Green ward; West Green ward	2
Northgate and Three Bridges	Northgate ward; Three Bridges ward	1
Pound Hill, Worth and Maidenbower	Maidenbower ward; Pound Hill North ward; Pound Hill South and Worth ward	2
Tilgate and Furnace Green	Furnace Green ward; Tilgate ward	1

In the district of Horsham

Column (1)	Column (2)	Column (3)
Name of Electoral Division	Area of Electoral Division	Number of Councillors
Billingshurst	Billingshurst and Shipley ward; Rudgwick ward	1
Bramber Castle	Bramber, Upper Beeding and Woodmancote ward; Steyning ward	1
Henfield	Cowfold, Shermanbury and West Grinstead ward; Henfield ward	1
Holbrook	Holbrook East ward; Holbrook West ward	1
Horsham Carfax	Denne ward; Trafalgar ward	1
Horsham Riverside	Forest ward; Horsham Park ward	1
Pulborough	Pulborough and Coldwatham ward; Thakeham parish; West Chiltington parish	1
Roffey	Roffey North ward; Roffey South ward	1
Southwater and Nuthurst	Nuthurst ward; Southwater ward	1
Storrington	Chantry ward; Ashington parish; Wiston parish	1
Warnham and Rusper	Broadbridge Heath ward; Itchingfield, Slinfold and Warnham ward; Rusper and Colgate ward	1
In the district of Mid Sussex		
Burgess Hill	Burgess Hill Dunstall ward; Burgess Hill Franklands ward; Burgess Hill Leylands ward; Burgess Hill Meeds ward; Burgess Hill St Andrews ward	2
Cuckfield and Lucastes	Cuckfield ward; Haywards Heath Lucastes ward	1
East Grinstead	Ashurst Wood ward; East Grinstead Ashplats ward; East Grinstead Baldwins ward; East Grinstead Herontye ward; East Grinstead Town ward	2
Hassocks and Victoria	Burgess Hill Victoria ward; Hassocks ward	1

Column (1)	Column (2)	Column (3)
Name of Electoral Division	Area of Electoral Division	Number of Councillors
Haywards Heath East	Haywards Heath Bentswood ward; Haywards Heath Franklands ward	1
Haywards Heath Town	Haywards Heath Ashenground ward; Haywards Heath Heath ward	1
Hurstpierpoint and Bolney	Bolney ward; Hurstpierpoint and Downs ward	1
Imberdown	East Grinstead Imberhorne ward; Crawley Down parish ward of Worth parish	1
Lindfield and High Weald	High Weald ward; Lindfield ward	1
Worth Forest	Ardingly and Balcombe ward; Copthorne and Worth ward; Turners Hill parish	1
In the borough of Worthing		
Gaisford	Broadwater ward; Gaisford ward; Tarring ward	2
Goring and Northbrook	Castle ward; Goring ward; Northbrook ward	2
Salvington	Durrington ward; Offington ward; Salvington ward	2
Worthing East		1
Worthing Pier		1
Worthing West		1

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

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

The modifications concern the names of Arundel and Wick, Bognor Regis West and Aldwick, Cuckfield and Lucastes, East Preston and Ferring, Goring and Northbrook, Hassocks and Victoria, Horsham Carfax, Southwater and Nuthurst, and Warnham and Rusper electoral divisions.

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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 62 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 4 makes electoral changes in the parish of Rustington.

Article 6 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer for each district or borough in the county of West Sussex to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

Article 7 revokes the County of West Sussex (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1985, with the exception of article 5.

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