

*Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 59(9) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009; draft to lie for forty days pursuant to section 6(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, during which period either House of Parliament may resolve that the Order be not made.*

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**2017 No. 0000**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND**

**The Newcastle-under-Lyme (Electoral Changes) Order 2017**

*Made*       -       -       -       -       *\*\*\**

*Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and (3)*

Under section 58(4) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009<sup>(a)</sup> (“the Act”), the Local Government Boundary Commission for England<sup>(b)</sup> (“the Commission”) published a report dated June 2017 stating its recommendations for changes to the electoral arrangements for the borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme. The Commission has decided to give effect to those recommendations.

A draft of the instrument has been laid before each House of Parliament, a period of forty days has expired since the day on which it was laid and neither House has resolved that the instrument be not made.

The Commission makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 59(1) of the Act.

**Citation and commencement**

- 1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Newcastle-under-Lyme (Electoral Changes) Order 2017.
- (2) This article and article 2 come into force on the day after the day on which this Order is made.
- (3) Articles 3 to 6 come into force—
- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary, or relating, to the election of councillors, on the day after the day on which it is made;
  - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors<sup>(c)</sup> in 2018.

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(a) 2009 c.20.

(b) The Local Government Boundary Commission for England was established on 1st April 2010 by section 55(1) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.

(c) The ordinary day of election of councillors in England and Wales is prescribed by section 37(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c.2) as amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50).

## **Interpretation**

**2.**—(1) In this Order “the map” means the map marked “Map referred to in the Newcastle-under-Lyme (Electoral Changes) Order 2017”, held by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England(a).

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

## **Wards of the borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme and number of councillors**

**3.**—(1) The existing wards of the borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme are abolished.

(2) The borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme is divided into 21 wards as listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 1.

(3) Each ward comprises the area identified on the map by reference to the name of the ward.

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of the table in Schedule 1.

## **Elections of Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council**

**4.**—(1) Elections of all councillors for each ward of the borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme are to be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2018 and every fourth year thereafter.

(2) The councillors holding office for any ward abolished by article 3(1) immediately before the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2018 are to retire on that fourth day and the newly elected councillors are to come into office on that fourth day.

## **Wards of the parish of Kidsgrove**

**5.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Kidsgrove are abolished.

(2) The parish of Kidsgrove is divided into the four parish wards listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 2.

(3) Each parish ward comprises the area identified on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of the table in Schedule 2.

Sealed with the seal of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England

	<i>Name</i>
	Chief Executive
Date	Local Government Boundary Commissions for England

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(a) Prints of the map are available for inspection at reasonable times at the principal office of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 14th floor, Millbank Tower, London SW1P 4QP. It is also accessible online at <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/west-midlands/staffs/newcastle-under-lyme>

## SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

### Names of wards and number of councillors

#### Wards of the borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of borough ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Number of councillors</i>
Audley	3
Bradwell	3
Clayton	1
Crackley & Red Street	2
Cross Heath	2
Holditch & Chesterton	2
Keele	1
Kidsgrove & Ravenscliffe	3
Knutton	1
Loggerheads	2
Madeley & Betley	2
Maer & Whitmore	1
May Bank	3
Newchapel & Mow Cop	2
Silverdale	2
Talke & Butt Lane	3
Thistleberry	2
Town	2
Westbury Park & Northwood	2
Westlands	3
Wolstanton	2

## SCHEDULE 2

Article 5

### Names of parish wards and number of councillors

#### Wards of the parish of Kidsgrove

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name of parish ward</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Number of councillors</i>
Harding's Wood	1
Kidsgrove Central & Ravenscliffe	7
Newchapel & Mow Cop	5
Talke & Butt Lane	7

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order makes changes to electoral arrangements for the borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme following recommendations made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. The area of the borough remains unchanged. The changes made by this Order apply in respect of local government elections held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2018.

Article 3 abolishes the existing electoral wards of the borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme and replaces them with 21 new ones. It establishes the names and areas of the new electoral wards and the number of councillors for each.

Article 4 makes provision for a whole borough council election in 2018 and every fourth year subsequently.

Article 5 makes changes to parish wards which are consequential to the changes made by article 3.

The area covered by each ward created by this Order is identified on a map which is available for inspection at reasonable times at the offices of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 14th floor, Millbank Tower, London SW1P 4QP. The map may also be accessed at <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/west-midlands/staffs/newcastle-under-lyme>

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.

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