



Local Government Act 1972

1972 CHAPTER 70

PART I

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS AND AUTHORITIES IN ENGLAND

Parishes

[^{F1}12A Parishes: alternative styles

- (1) This section applies to a parish which is not grouped with any other parish.
- (2) The appropriate parish authority may resolve that the parish shall have one of the alternative styles.
- (3) If the parish has an alternative style, the appropriate parish authority may resolve that the parish shall cease to have that style.
- (4) A single resolution may provide for a parish—
 - (a) to cease to have an alternative style, and
 - (b) to have another of the alternative styles instead.
- (5) As soon as practicable after passing a resolution under this section, the appropriate parish authority must give notice of the change of style to all of the following—
 - (a) the Secretary of State;
 - (b) the [^{F2}Local Government Boundary Commission for England];
 - (c) the Office of National Statistics;
 - (d) the Director General of the Ordnance Survey;
 - (e) any district council, county council or London borough council within whose area the parish lies.
- (6) In this section “appropriate parish authority” means—
 - (a) the parish council, or
 - (b) if the parish does not have a parish council, the parish meeting.]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 12A, 12B inserted (13.2.2008) by Local Government and Public Involvement in [Health Act 2007](#) (c. 28), [ss. 75\(3\)](#), [245\(5\)](#); S.I. 2008/337, [art. 2\(a\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 12A(5)(b) substituted (1.4.2010) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009](#) (c. 20), [ss. 67\(1\)](#), [148\(3\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 3](#); S.I. 2009/3318, [art. 4\(ff\)](#)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 80(3B) omitted by [2021 asc 1 Sch. 2 para. 1\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 101(6ZA) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 12 para. 2](#)
- s. 123(2C) inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 75](#)
- s. 131(2)(n) and word inserted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 16](#)