STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2000 No. 2599

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The District of Craven (Electoral Changes) Order 2000

Made - - - 2000 Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and (3)

Whereas the Local Government Commission for England, acting pursuant to section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 1992(1), has submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated November 1999 on its review of the district of Craven together with its recommendations:

And whereas the Secretary of State has decided to give effect, subject to one modification, to those recommendations:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 17(2) 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 Craven (Electoral Changes) Order 2000.
- (2) This article and articles 2, 3, 5 and 6 shall come into force—
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on 2nd May 2002, on 10th October 2001;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on 2nd May 2002.
- (3) Article 4 of this Order shall come into force—
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of parish councillors for the parish of Skipton to be held on 1st May 2003, on 10th October 2002;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on 1st May 2003.
- (4) In this Order—
 - "district" means the district of Craven;
 - "existing", in relation to a ward, means the ward as it exists on the date this Order is made; and

^{(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).

any reference to the map is a reference to the map prepared by the Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions marked "Map of the District of Craven (Electoral Changes) Order 2000", and deposited in accordance with regulation 27 of the Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994(3).

Wards of the district of Craven

- **2.**—(1) The existing wards of the district(4) shall be abolished.
- (2) The district shall be divided into nineteen 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 no area is 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 the district of Craven

- **3.**—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this article, the election of councillors for wards of the district shall be by thirds.
- (2) Elections of all councillors for all wards of the district shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2002(5).
- (3) The councillors holding office for any ward of the district immediately before 6th May 2002 shall retire on that date and the newly-elected councillors for those wards shall come into office on that date.
 - (4) The order of retirement of councillors shall be as set out in Schedule 2.
- (5) Where the number of councillors elected in 2002 for any ward of the district exceeds one, the first to retire shall, subject to paragraphs (6) and (7), be the councillor elected by the smaller number of votes.
- (6) In the case of an equality of votes between any persons elected which makes it uncertain which of them is to retire in any year, the person to retire in that year shall be determined by lot.
- (7) If an election of councillors for any ward is not contested, the person to retire in each year shall be determined by lot.
- (8) Where under this article any question is to be determined by lot, the lot shall be drawn at the next practicable meeting of the council after the question has arisen and the drawing shall be conducted under the direction of the person presiding at the meeting.
- (9) Except as otherwise provided in the preceding paragraphs of this article, 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.

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

⁽⁴⁾ See the District of Craven (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1977 (S.I. 1977/864).

⁽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).

Wards of the parish of Skipton

- **4.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Skipton shall be abolished.
- (2) The parish shall be divided into four parish wards which shall bear the names Skipton East, Skipton North, Skipton South and Skipton West; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward bearing the same name; and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be four.

Parish of Long Preston

- **5.**—(1) The term of office of any parish councillor elected on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1999 for the parish of Long Preston shall be three years.
- (2) Elections of all parish councillors for the parish of Long Preston shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2002 and every fourth year after 2002.

Revocation

6. The District of Craven (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1977 is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions

Hilary Armstrong
Minister of State,
Department of the Environment, Transport and
the Regions

22nd September 2000

SCHEDULE 1 Article 2

NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

(1)	(2)	(3)
Name of Ward	Area of Ward	Number of Councillors
Aire Valley with Lothersdale	The parishes of Bradleys Both, Cononley, Farnhill, Kildwick and Lothersdale	2
Barden Fell	The parishes of Appletreewick, Barden, Beamsley, Bolton Abbey, Bordley, Burnsall, Cracoe, Draughton, Halton East, Hazlewood with Storiths, Hetton, Rylstone and Thorpe	1
Bentham	The parishes of Bentham and Burton in Lonsdale	2
Cowling	The parish of Cowling	1
Embsay-with-Eastby	The parish of Embsay with Eastby	1
Gargrave and Malhamdale	The parishes of Airton, Bank Newton, Calton, Coniston Cold, Eshton, Flasby with Winterburn, Gargrave, Hanlith, Kirkby Malham, Malham, Malham Moor, Otterburn, Scosthrop and Stirton with Thorlby	2
Glusburn	The parish of Glusburn	2
Grassington	The parishes of Grassington, Hartlington, Hebden and Linton	1
Hellifield and Long Preston	The parishes of Hellifield, Long Preston, Nappa and Swinden	1
Ingleton and Clapham	The parishes of Austwick, Clapham cum Newby, Ingleton, Lawkland, and Thornton in Lonsdale	2
Penyghent	The parishes of Giggleswick, Horton in Ribblesdale and Stainforth	1
Settle and Ribblebanks	The parishes of Halton West, Langcliffe, Rathmell, Settle and Wigglesworth	2
Skipton East		2

(I) Name of Ward	(2) Area of Ward	(3) Number of Councillors
Skipton North		2
Skipton South		2
Skipton West		2
Sutton-in-Craven	The parish of Sutton	2
Upper Wharfedale	The parishes of Arncliffe, Buckden, Conistone with Kilnsey, Halton Gill, Hawkswick, Kettlewell with Starbotton, Litton and Threshfield	1
West Craven	The parishes of Broughton, Carleton, Elslack, Martons Both and Thornton in Craven	1

SCHEDULE 2 Article 3(4)

ORDER OF RETIREMENT OF COUNCILLORS

(1) Name of Ward	(2) Number of Councillors to retire in 2003	(3) Number of Councillors to retire in 2004	(4) Number of Councillors to retire in 2006
Aire Valley with Lothersdale		1	1
Barden Fell		1	
Bentham	1		1
Cowling		1	
Embsay-with-Eastby	1		
Gargrave and Malhamdale	1		1
Glusburn	1		1
Grassington		1	
Hellifield and Long Preston			1
Ingleton and Clapham		1	1
Penyghent			1
Settle and Ribblebanks		1	1
Skipton East	1	1	

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Name of Ward	Number of	Number of	Number of
	Councillors to retire	Councillors to retire	Councillors to retire
	in 2003	in 2004	in 2006
Skipton North	1	1	
Skipton South	1	1	
Skipton West	1	1	
Sutton-in-Craven	1		1
Upper Wharfedale		1	
West Craven	1		

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect, subject to one modification, to recommendations by the Local Government Commission for England for electoral changes in the district of Craven. With the exception of the changes made at article 4, the changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on or after 2nd May 2002.

The Secretary of State has decided that the ward for which the Commission proposed the name "Bolton Abbey" shall bear the name "Barden Fell".

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

Article 3 makes provision for a whole council election in 2002 and for reversion to elections by thirds in subsequent years. Schedule 2 regulates the order of retirement of councillors.

Article 4 makes electoral changes in the parish of Skipton. The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on or after 1st May 2003.

Article 5 makes electoral changes in the parish of Long Preston.

Article 6 revokes the District of Craven (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1977.

The areas of the new district wards are demarcated on the map described in article 1(4). Prints of the map may be inspected at all reasonable times at the offices of the Craven District Council and at the offices of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, 2nd Floor, Ashdown House, 123 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6DE.