
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2002 No. 3224

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The District of Malvern Hills (Electoral Changes) Order 2002

Made - - - - 18th December 2002

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 July 2002 on its review of the district of Malvern Hills:

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 District of Malvern Hills (Electoral Changes) Order 2002.

(2) This Order shall come into force—

- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on 1st May 2003, on the day after that on which it is made;
- (b) for all other purposes, on 1st May 2003.

(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, to the extent that they relate to electoral arrangements 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 S.I. 2001/3962. There are amendments to this section made otherwise than by S.I. 2001/3962 that are not relevant to this Order.

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

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“district” means the district of Malvern Hills;

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

any reference to the map is a reference to the map marked “Map referred to in the District of Malvern Hills (Electoral Changes) Order 2002”, of which prints are available for inspection at—

(a) the principal office of the Electoral Commission; and

(b) the offices of Malvern Hills District Council; and

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

Wards of the district of Malvern Hills

3.—(1) The existing wards of the district⁽⁶⁾ shall be abolished.

(2) The district shall be divided into twenty-two 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 an area is not 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.

Wards of the parish of Malvern

4.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Malvern shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into six parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 2; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2) of that Schedule, and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be the number specified in respect of the parish ward in column (3) of that Schedule.

Wards of the parish of Malvern Wells

5.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Malvern Wells shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names All Saints and St Peters; and the wards shall comprise the areas designated on sheet 2 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for the St Peters parish ward shall be seven and for the All Saints parish ward shall be six.

Numbers of parish councillors

6. The number of parish councillors to be elected for the parish of Pendock shall be seven.

(6) See the Hereford and Worcester (Structural, Boundary and Electoral Changes) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/1867).

Maps

7. Malvern Hills District Council shall make a print of the map marked “Map referred to in the District of Malvern Hills (Electoral Changes) Order 2002” available for inspection at its offices by any member of the public at any reasonable time.

Electoral registers

8. The Electoral Registration Officer⁽⁷⁾ for the district 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

9. Article 6 of the Hereford and Worcester (Structural, Boundary and Electoral Changes) Order 1996⁽⁸⁾ is revoked.

Signed by the members of the Electoral Commission

12th December 2002

Pamela Gordon
Commissioner

12th December 2002

Glyn Mathias
Commissioner

12th December 2002

Neil McIntosh
Commissioner

18th December 2002

Karamjit Singh
Commissioner

12th December 2002

Sam Younger
Commissioner

12th December 2002

Graham Zellick
Commissioner

(7) 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).

(8) S.I. 1996/1867.

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SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

| <i>(1)</i> <i>Name of Ward</i> | <i>(2)</i> <i>Area of Ward</i> | <i>(3)</i> <i>Number of Councillors</i> |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Alfrick and Leigh | The parishes of Alfrick, Bransford, Doddenham, Knightwick, Leigh, Lulsley and Suckley | 2 |
| Baldwin | The parish of Astley and Dunley and the parishes of Holt and Shrawley | 1 |
| Broadheath | The parishes of Broadheath, Broadwas, Cotheridge and Rushwick | 2 |
| Chase | | 3 |
| Dyson Perrins | | 2 |
| Hallow | The parishes of Grimley and Hallow | 1 |
| Kempsey | The parishes of Croome D'Abitot, Kempsey and Severn Stoke | 2 |
| Lindridge | The parishes of Bayton, Knighton on Teme, Lindridge, Mamble and Stockton on Teme | 1 |
| Link | | 3 |
| Longdon | The parishes of Berrow, Bushley, Eldersfield, Holdfast, Longdon, Pendock and Queenhill | 1 |
| Martley | The parishes of Kenswick, Martley and Wichenford | 1 |
| Morton | The parishes of Birtsmorton, Castlemorton and Welland | 1 |
| Pickersleigh | | 3 |
| Powick | The parishes of Guarlford, Madresfield, Newland and Powick | 2 |
| Priory | | 2 |
| Ripple | The parishes of Earl's Croome, Hill Croome and Ripple | 1 |
| Teme Valley | The parishes of Clifton upon Teme, Eastham, Hanley, Lower | 1 |

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|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| | Sapey, Shelsley Beauchamp, Shelsley Kings, Shelsley Walsh and Stanford with Orleton | |
| Tenbury | The parishes of Bockleton, Kyre, Rochford, Stoke Bliss and Tenbury | 2 |
| Upton and Hanley | The parishes of Hanley Castle and Upton upon Severn | 2 |
| Wells | The parishes of Little Malvern and Malvern Wells | 2 |
| West | | 2 |
| Woodbury | The parishes of Abberley, Great Witley, Hillhampton, Little Witley and Pensax | 1 |

SCHEDULE 2

Article 4

WARDS OF THE PARISH OF MALVERN
NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

| <i>(1)</i> <i>Name of Ward</i> | <i>(2)</i> <i>Area of Ward</i> | <i>(3)</i> <i>Number of Councillors</i> |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| Chase | The district ward of Chase | 4 |
| Dyson Perrins | The district ward of Dyson Perrins | 3 |
| Link | The district ward of Link | 4 |
| North Malvern | So much of the district ward of West as comprises the parish of Malvern | 2 |
| Pickersleigh | The district ward of Pickersleigh | 4 |
| Priory | The district ward of Priory | 3 |

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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 district of Malvern Hills.

The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after 1st May 2003.

Article 3 abolishes the existing wards of the district and provides for the creation of 22 new wards. That article and the Schedule also make provision for the names and areas of, and numbers of councillors for, the new wards.

Articles 4 to 6 make electoral changes in the parishes of Malvern, Malvern Wells and Pendock.

Article 8 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

Article 9 revokes article 6 of the Hereford and Worcester (Structural, Boundary and Electoral Changes) Order 1996 (S.I. [1996/1867](#)).

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