STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No.2821

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The County of Wiltshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2004

 Made
 28th October 2004

 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 March 2004 on its review of the county of Wiltshire:

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 County of Wiltshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2004.

- (2) This Order 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.

⁽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.

Interpretation

2. In this Order –

"county" means the county of Wiltshire;

"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; and

references to wards, unless the context otherwise requires, are references to district wards in the county(6).

Electoral divisions of the county of Wiltshire

3.—(1) The existing electoral divisions of the county(7) shall be abolished.

(2) The county shall be divided into forty-six 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 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.

Electoral registers

4. The Electoral Registration Officer(**8**) for each district 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

5. The County of Wiltshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order (1993)(9) is revoked.

Sealed with the seal of the Electoral Commission on the 28th day of October 2004

L.S.

28th October 2004

Sam Younger Chairman of the Commission

28th October 2004

Jacqui Dixon Secretary to the Commission

⁽⁶⁾ See the District of Kennet (Electoral Changes) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/2922), the District of North Wiltshire (Electoral Changes) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/2923), the District of Salisbury (Electoral Changes) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/2924), and the District of West Wiltshire (Electoral Changes) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/2926).

⁽⁷⁾ See the County of Wiltshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/679). The area of the county of Wiltshire was altered by the Wiltshire (Borough of Thamesdown) (Structural Change) Order 1995 (S.I. 1995/1774).

⁽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. 1993/679.

SCHEDULE

article 3

NAMES AND AREAS OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

Column (1)	Column (2)	Column (3)
Name of Electoral Division	Area of Electoral Division	Number of Councillors
In the district of Kennet		
Aldbourne and Ramsbury	Aldbourne ward; Ogbourne ward; Ramsbury ward; West Selkley ward	1
Avon and Pewsey	Netheravon ward; Pewsey ward; Pewsey Vale ward; Upavon ward	1
Bedwyn and Collingbourne	Bedwyn ward; Burbage ward; Collingbourne ward; Milton Lilbourne ward; Shalbourne ward	1
Bromham and Potterne	Bromham and Rowde ward; Cheverell ward; Potterne ward; Seend ward	1
Devizes North	Devizes East ward; Devizes North ward	1
Devizes South	Devizes South ward; Roundway ward	1
Lavington and Cannings	All Cannings ward; Bishops Cannings ward; Lavingtons ward; Urchfont ward	1
Marlborough	Marlborough East ward; Marlborough West ward	1
Tidworth and Ludgershall	Ludgershall ward; Tidworth, Perham Down and Ludgershall South ward	
In the district of North Wilts	hire	
Box, Colerne and Lacock	Box ward; Colerne ward; Lacock with Neston and Gastard ward	1
Calne	Calne Abberd ward; Calne Chilvester ward; Calne Lickhill ward; Calne Priestley ward	1
Calne and Without	Calne Marden ward; Calne Quemerford ward; Calne Without ward; Hilmarton ward	1

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Name of Electoral Division	Area of Electoral Division	Number of Councillors
Central	Chippenham Audley ward; Chippenham Avon ward; Chippenham Redland ward	1
Chippenham North	Chippenham Hill Rise ward; Chippenham Monkton Park ward; Chippenham Park ward; Cepen Park North parish ward of Langley Burrell Without parish	1
Chippenham Pewsham	Chippenham London Road ward; Chippenham Pewsham ward	1
Chippenham West	Chippenham Allington ward; Chippenham Westcroft/Queens ward; Cepen Park South parish ward of Chippenham Without parish	1
Corsham	Corsham ward; Pickwick ward	1
Cricklade and Purton	Cricklade ward; Purton ward	1
Kington	Bremhill ward; Kington Langley ward; Kingston St. Michael ward; Nettleton ward	1
Malmesbury	Malmesbury ward; St. Paul Malmesbury Without and Sherston ward	1
Minety	Ashton Keynes and Minety ward; Brinkworth and The Somerfords ward	1
Wootton Bassett North	The Lydiards and Broad Town ward; Wootton Bassett North ward	1
Wootton Bassett South	Lyneham ward; Wootton Bassett South ward	1
In the district of Salisbury		
Alderbury	Alderbury and Whiteparish ward; Winterslow ward	1
Amesbury	Amesbury East ward; Amesbury West ward	1
Bourne and Woodford Valley	Laverstock ward; Upper Bourne, Idmiston and Winterbourne ward; Durnford parish; Wilsford cum Lake parish; Woodford parish	1

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Chalke and Nadder	Chalke Valley ward; Donhead ward; Fonthill and Nadder ward; Ansty parish; Burcombe Without parish; Chicklade parish; Fonthill Gifford parish; Fovant parish; Hindon parish; Sutton Mandeville parish; Swallowcliffe parish	1
Downton and Ebble Valley	Downton and Redlynch ward; Ebble ward	1
Durrington and Bulford	Bulford ward; Durrington ward	1
Mere and Tisbury	Western and Mere ward; East Knoyle parish; Sedgehill and Semley parish; Tisbury parish; West Knoyle parish; West Tisbury parish	1
Salisbury East	Bishopdown ward; St Edmund and Milford ward; St Mark and Stratford ward	2
Salisbury South	Fisherton and Bemerton Village ward; Harnham East ward; Harnham West ward; St Martin and Milford ward	2
Salisbury West	Bemerton ward; St Paul ward	1
Wilton and Wylye	Till Valley and Wylye ward; Great Wishford parish; Quidhampton parish; South Newton parish; Wilton parish	1
In the district of West Wiltsh	ire	
Bradford-on-Avon	Bradford-on-Avon North ward; Bradford-on-Avon South ward	1
Holt and Paxcroft	Holt ward; Paxcroft ward	1
Manor Vale	Atworth and Whitley ward; Manor Vale ward	1
Melksham and Without	Melksham Spa ward; Melksham Without ward	1
Melksham Central	Melksham North ward; Melksham Woodrow ward	1
Trowbridge East	Trowbridge Adcroft ward; Trowbridge Drynham ward; Trowbridge Park ward	2

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Trowbridge West	Trowbridge College ward; Trowbridge John of Gaunt ward	1
Warminster East and Wylye	Mid Wylye Valley ward; Warminster East ward; Bishopstrow parish(10); Norton Bavant parish	1
Warminster West	Warminster West ward	1
Westbury Ham and Dilton	Westbury Ham ward; Dilton Marsh parish	1
Westbury Laverton and Shearwater	Westbury Laverton ward; Brixton Deverill parish; Chapmanslade parish; Corsley parish; Horningsham parish; Kingston Deverill parish; Longbridge Deverill parish; Sutton Veny parish; Upton Scudamore parish	1
Whorwellsdown Hundred	Ethandune ward; Southwick and Wingfield ward; Summerham ward; North Bradley parish	1

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 county of Wiltshire.

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 46 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 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer in each district in the county of Wiltshire to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register for that district to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

Article 5 revokes the County of Wiltshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1993.

⁽¹⁰⁾ The parish of Bishopstrow is the same as that referred to as "Bishopston" in S.I. 1999/2926.