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The Parliamentary Constituencies (Amendment) Order 2024

 Made
 13th March 2024

 Coming into force
 14th March 2024

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 13th day of March 2024

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

In accordance with section 4(1) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986(a) ("the Act"), the Secretary of State has submitted to His Majesty in Council a draft of this Order which gives effect to the recommendations of the Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland contained in the report(b) submitted in accordance with section 3(1) of the Act(c) and laid before Parliament by the Speaker of the House of Commons in accordance with section 3(2ZB) of the Act(d), as to the constituencies into which Northern Ireland should be divided in order to give effect to the rules set out in Schedule 2 to the Act(e).

Therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred upon Him by section 4(5) of the Act.

Citation, commencement and extent

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Parliamentary Constituencies (Amendment) Order 2024.
- (2) This Order comes into force on the day after the day on which it is made.

⁽a) 1986 c. 56. Section 4(1) was substituted by section 2 of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020 (c. 25) and amended by S.I. 2021/1265.

⁽b) A copy of the report of the Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland is available at https://www.boundarycommission.org.uk/publications/final-recommendations-report-2023-review-parliamentaryconstituencies-pdf.

⁽c) Section 3(1) was amended by section 10(2) of the Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Act 2011 (c. 1) and by section 1(2) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020.

⁽d) Section 3(2ZB) was inserted by section 1(4) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020.

⁽e) Schedule 2 was substituted by section 11(1) of the Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Act 2011 and amended by sections 5 to 9 of and paragraph 4 of the Schedule to the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020, by paragraph 4 of Schedule 2 to the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1) and by S.I. 2018/1310.

(3) This Order extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Amendment of the Parliamentary Constituencies Order 2023

2. In Schedule 2 to the Parliamentary Constituencies Order 2023 (name, designation and composition of constituencies in Northern Ireland)(a), in the table, in the entry for the Mid Ulster constituency, in the second column, in the text relating to the Castlecaulfield ward, for "south" substitute "north".

Richard Tilbrook
Clerk of the Privy Council

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order corrects an error in the Parliamentary Constituencies Order 2023 (S.I. 2023/1230). In that Order the part of the Castlecaulfield ward to the south of the northern boundary of the Fermanagh and South Tyrone constituency (as described in the Parliamentary Constituencies (Northern Ireland) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/1486)) was incorrectly described as forming part of the Mid Ulster constituency. This Order amends that description to refer to the part of the ward north of that boundary, to give proper effect to the recommendations of the report of the Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland published 28th June 2023.

By virtue of section 4(6) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986 (c. 50), the coming into force of this Order does not affect any parliamentary election until a proclamation is issued by His Majesty summoning a new Parliament or affect the constitution of the House of Commons until the dissolution of the Parliament then in being.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.

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⁽a) S.I. 2023/1230.

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