

2024 No. 597

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Uttlesford (Electoral Changes) Order 2024

Made - - - - *2nd May 2024*

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2), (3) and (4)

Under section 92(2) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007^(a), Uttlesford District Council (“the Council”) made recommendations in a review to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England^(b) for the related alteration of the boundaries between two county electoral divisions and between two district wards within the Council’s area.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England has decided to give effect to the recommendations and makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 92(3) of that Act.

Citation, commencement, extent and application

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Uttlesford (Electoral Changes) Order 2024.
- (2) This article comes into force on the day after the day on which this Order is made.
- (3) Article 2 comes into force—
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of councillors, on the day after the day on which this Order is made;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in England^(c) in 2025.
- (4) Article 3 comes into force—
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of councillors, on 15th October 2026;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in England in 2027.
- (5) This Order extends to England and Wales but applies in relation to England only.

(a) 2007 c. 28 (“the 2007 Act”). Section 92 was amended by paragraph 32 of Schedule 4 to the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20) (“the 2009 Act”).

(b) The Local Government Boundary Commission for England was established on 1st April 2010 by section 55(1) of the 2009 Act. The functions of the Electoral Commission under Chapter 3 of Part 4 of the 2007 Act were transferred under section 60 of the 2009 Act to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on 1st April 2010.

(c) The ordinary day of election of councillors in England is prescribed by section 37(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2), as amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50), renumbered by paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c. 29), and further amended by section 6(16) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4).

Alteration of county electoral division boundaries

2. The area that ceases to be part of the parish of Swards End and becomes part of the parish of Saffron Walden by virtue of the District of Uttlesford (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2023(a) ceases to be part of the Thaxted county electoral division and becomes part of the Saffron Walden county electoral division.

Alteration of district ward boundaries

3. The area that ceases to be part of the parish of Swards End and becomes part of the parish of Saffron Walden by virtue of the District of Uttlesford (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2023 ceases to be part of the Ashdon district ward and becomes part of the Saffron Walden Shire district ward.

Sealed with the seal of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England



2nd May 2024

Ailsa Irvine
Chief Executive
Local Government Boundary Commission for England

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Uttlesford District Council (“the Council”) to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England for related alterations to the boundaries between two county electoral divisions and between two district wards within the Council’s area.

The alterations are a consequence of changes to parish boundaries and warding arrangements under the District of Uttlesford (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2023, which was made by the Council under powers including section 86 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (c. 28). A hard copy of that Order is available for inspection at reasonable times at the offices of Uttlesford District Council, Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden CB11 4ER.

The changes described in article 2 (in relation to county electoral divisions) apply in respect of elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in England in 2025. The changes described in article 3 (in relation to district wards) apply in respect of elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in England in 2027.

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

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(a) That Order was made by Uttlesford District Council on 13th December 2023. A copy of that Order is available for inspection at reasonable times at the offices of Uttlesford District Council at Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden CB11 4ER. Such Orders are not required to be made by statutory instrument.

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