STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1984 No. 758

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Borough of Rhondda (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1984

Made - - - - 2*nd June* 1984

Coming into operation in accordance with Article 2

Whereas in pursuance of section 58(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 (**a**), the Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales on 21st October 1982 submitted to me proposals for the future electoral arrangements for the Borough of Rhondda:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred upon me by sections 58(2) and 67 of the said Act, I hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Borough of Rhondda (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1984.

2. This Order shall come into operation on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1987 (within the meaning of section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (**b**)) except that for the purpose of all proceedings preliminary or relating to an election to be held on or after that day it shall come into operation on 10th October 1986.

3.—(1) The existing wards of the Borough of Rhondda shall be abolished and that borough shall be divided into fifteen wards which shall bear the names set out in column 1 of Schedule 1 to this Order, and each such ward shall comprise the existing areas specified in column 2 of that Schedule opposite to the name of the ward as given in column 1.

(2) The number of councillors to be elected for each such ward shall be the number specified in column 3 of Schedule 1 to this Order opposite to the name of the ward as given in column 1 of that Schedule.

4. Subject to the provisions of Article 5 below the election of councillors shall be by thirds.

5.—(1) The whole number of councillors shall be elected at the ordinary elections of councillors in 1987.

(2) The order of retirement of the councillors elected in 1987 shall be as set out in Schedule 2 to this Order.

(3) Where the number of councillors elected in 1987 for any ward of the borough is two, the first to retire in that ward shall be, subject to paragraphs (5) and (6) below, the councillor elected by the smaller number of votes.

(4) Where the number of councillors elected in 1987 for any ward of the borough is three—

(a) one councillor shall retire in 1988 being, subject to paragraphs (5) and (6) below, the councillor elected by the smallest number of votes;

(b) one councillor shall retire in 1990 being, subject as aforesaid, the councillor elected by the next smallest number of votes;

(c) the remaining councillor shall retire in 1991.

(**a**) 1972 c.70. (**b**) 1983 c.2.

(5) In the case of an equality of votes between any persons elected which makes it uncertain which of them is to retire in any such year, the person to retire in that year shall be determined by lot.

(6) If an election of councillors for any ward is not contested, the person to retire in each such year shall be determined by lot.

(7) 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.

(8) Except as otherwise provided in the foregoing 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 for the borough in the year of retirement and the newly elected councillors shall come into office on the day on which their predecessors retire.

Leon Brittan,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Home Office.
2nd June 1984.

SCHEDULE 1 Article 3.

NAMES AND AREAS OF AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS FOR NEW WARDS

1 **Name of New Ward**	2 **Area of New Ward**	3 **Number of Councillors**
Cwm Clydach	The Community of Cwm Clydach	1
Cymmer	The Communities of Cymmer and Trehafod	3
Ferndale	The Community of Ferndale	2
Llwyn-y-pia	The Community of Llwyn-y-pia	1
Maerdy	The Community of Maerdy	2
Pentre	The Community of Pentre	2
Pen-y-graig	The Community of Pen-y-graig	2
Porth	The Community of Porth	3
Tonypandy	The Community of Tonypandy	1
Trealaw	The Community of Trealaw	2
Treherbert	The Community of Treherbert	3
Treorchy	The Community of Treorchy	3
Tylorstown	The Community of Tylorstown	3
Ynyshir	The Community of Ynyshir	2
Ystrad	The Community of Ystrad	3

SCHEDULE 2 Article 5(2).

ORDER OF RETIREMENT OF COUNCILLORS

Name of Ward	Number of Councillors to retire in 1988	Number of Councillors to retire in 1990	Number of Councillors to retire in 1991
Cwm Clydach	0	0	1
Cymmer	1	1	1
Ferndale	1	0	1
Llwyn-y-pia	0	0	1
Maerdy	1	1	0
Pentre	1	1	0
Pen-y-graig	1	1	0
Porth	1	1	1
Tonypandy	0	0	1
Trealaw	0	1	1
Treherbert	1	1	1
Treorchy	1	1	1
Tylorstown	1	1	1
Ynyshir	1	1	0
Ystrad	1	1	1

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