STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1976 No. 753

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Borough of Stafford (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1976

Made - - - -	16*th May* 1976
Coming into Operation	3*rd May* 1979

Whereas in pursuance of section 51(1) of the Local Government Act 1972(a), the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on 14th January 1976 submitted to me proposals for the future electoral arrangements for the Borough of Stafford:

Now, therefore, I, the Right Honourable Roy Jenkins, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in exercise of the power conferred upon me by sections 51(2) and 67 of the said Act, do hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Borough of Stafford (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1976.

2. This Order shall come into operation on 3rd May 1979 provided that for the purpose of all proceedings preliminary or relating to an election to be held on or after that day the said Order shall come into operation forthwith.

3.—(1) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(2) The map referred to in this Order is the map marked "MAP REFERRED TO IN THE BOROUGH OF STAFFORD (ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS) ORDER 1976" and deposited with the Secretary of State.

4. The existing wards of the Borough of Stafford shall be abolished and the said borough shall be divided into thirty wards which shall bear the names set out in column 1 of the Schedule to this Order, and each such ward shall comprise the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by blue lines thereon.

5. Where a boundary is shown on the map as running along a road, railway line, footway, waterway or other similar geographical feature, it shall be treated as running along the centre line thereof.

6. The number of councillors to be elected for each ward constituted by this Order shall be the number specified in column 2 of the said Schedule opposite to the name of the ward as given in column 1 of that Schedule.

7.—(1) The wards constituted by this Order shall have the internal boundaries thereof mered by Ordnance Survey.

(a) 1972 c. 70. (b) 1889 c. 63.

(2) Copies of the map, marked "COPY OF THE MAP REFERRED TO IN THE BOROUGH OF STAFFORD (ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS) ORDER 1976", shall be deposited with the council of the Borough of Stafford and with the Director General of the Ordnance Survey and such copies shall at all reasonable times be open to inspection by any person.

8. The ordinary elections of all councillors of the Borough of Stafford shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of non-metropolitan district councillors in 1979 and every fourth year thereafter.

9. The registration officer shall make such re-arrangement or alteration of the register of local government electors as may be necessary on account of the coming into operation of this Order.

Roy Jenkins,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.
16th May 1976.

SCHEDULE

Articles 4 and 6.

NAMES OF AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS FOR NEW WARDS

1 Name of New Ward	2 Number of Councillors
Barlaston	2
Baswich	2
Beaconside	1
Castle	1
Chartley	1
Church Eaton	1
Common	2
Coton	2
Eccleshall	3
Forebridge	2
Fulford	3
Gnosall	2
Haywood	2
Highfields	2
Holmcroft	3
Littleworth	3
Manor	3
Milford	2
Milwich	1
Oulton	1
Penkside	2
Rowley	2
St. Michael's	2
Seighford	2
Stonefield and Christchurch	2

SCHEDULE—*continued*

NAMES OF AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS FOR NEW WARDS

1 Name of New Ward	2 Number of Councillors
Swynnerton	2
Tillington	2
Walton	3
Weeping Cross	3
Woodseaves	1

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