S T A T U T O R Y  I N S T R U M E N T S

# 2002 No. 2883

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

## The District of Chichester (Electoral Changes) Order 2002

*Made - - - - 19th November 2002*

*Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)*

Whereas the Boundary Committee for England**(a)**, acting pursuant to section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 1992**(b)**, has submitted to the Electoral Commission**(c)** a report dated July 2002 on its review of the district of Chichester together with its recommendations:

And whereas the Electoral Commission have decided to give effect, with one modification, 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**(d)** and 26**(e)** 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 District of Chichester (Electoral Changes) Order 2002.

(2) This Order shall come into force—

(a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on 1st May 2003, on the day after that on which it is made;

(b) for all other purposes, on 1st May 2003.

### Interpretation

**2.** In this Order—

"district" means the district of Chichester;

"existing", in relation to a ward, means the ward as it exists on the date this Order is made;

any reference to the map is a reference to the map marked "Map referred to in the District of Chichester (Electoral Changes) Order 2002", of which prints are available for inspection at—

**(a)** 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.

**(b)** 1992 c.19. This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

**(c)** 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, 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).

**(d)** This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962. There are amendments to this section made otherwise than by S.I. 2001/3962 that are not relevant to this Order.

**(e)** This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

(a) the principal office of the Electoral Commission; and

(b) the offices of Chichester District Council.

**Wards of the district of Chichester**

**3.**—(1) The existing wards of the district**(a)** shall be abolished.

(2) The district shall be divided into twenty-nine wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 1.

(3) The wards shall comprise the areas described in column (2) of that Schedule by reference to parishes or, where an area is not so described, the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by red lines; and the number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be the number specified in respect of the ward in column (3) of that Schedule.

(4) Where a boundary is shown on the map as running along a road, railway line, footway, watercourse or similar geographical feature, it shall be treated as running along the centre line of the feature.

**Wards of the parish of Chichester**

**4.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Chichester shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into four parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 2; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2); and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be five.

**Wards of the parish of Selsey**

**5.**—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Selsey shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of Schedule 3; each parish ward shall comprise the area of the district ward specified in respect of the parish ward in column (2); and the number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward shall be the number specified in respect of the parish ward in column (3) of that Schedule.

**Maps**

**6.** Chichester District Council shall make a print of the map marked "Map referred to in the District of Chichester (Electoral Changes) Order 2002" available for inspection at its offices by any member of the public at any reasonable time.

**Electoral registers**

**7.** The Electoral Registration Officer**(b)** for the district 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**

**8.** The District of Chichester (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1977**(c)** is revoked, save for article 5.

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**(a)** *See* the District of Chichester (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1977 (S.I. 1977/865) and the Chichester (Parishes) Order 2001 (S.I. 2001/1260).

**(b)** 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).

**(c)** S.I. 1977/865.

Signed by the members of the Electoral Commission

28th October 2002 — *Pamela Gordon*, Commissioner

14th November 2002 — *Glyn Mathias*, Commissioner

14th November 2002 — *Neil McIntosh*, Commissioner

19th November 2002 — *Karamjit Singh*, Commissioner

19th November 2002 — *Sam Younger*, Commissioner

28th October 2002 — *Graham Zellick*, Commissioner

## SCHEDULE 1

article 3

### NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

| *(1)*<br>*Name of Ward* | *(2)*<br>*Area of Ward* | *(3)*<br>*Number of Councillors* |
|---|---|---|
| Bosham | The parishes of Bosham and Chidham**(a)** | 2 |
| Boxgrove | The parishes of Boxgrove, Eartham, East Dean**(a)**, Singleton**(a)**, Upwaltham and West Dean | 1 |
| Bury | The parishes of Barlavington**(a)**, Bignor, Bury, Duncton**(a)**, East Lavington, Graffham and Sutton | 1 |
| Chichester East | | 3 |
| Chichester North | | 3 |
| Chichester South | | 3 |
| Chichester West | | 2 |
| Donnington | The parishes of Appledram and Donnington | 1 |
| Easebourne | The parishes of Easebourne and Lodsworth**(a)** | 1 |
| East Wittering | The parishes of Earnley**(a)** and East Wittering | 2 |
| Fernhurst | The parishes of Fernhurst**(a)** and Linchmere**(a)** | 2 |
| Fishbourne | The parish of Fishbourne | 1 |
| Funtington | The parishes of Compton, Funtington, Marden and Stoughton | 1 |
| Harting | The parishes of Elsted, Harting, Treyford, and Trotton with Chithurst | 1 |
| Lavant | The parishes of Lavant and Westhampnett**(a)** | 1 |
| Midhurst | The parish of Midhurst | 2 |
| North Mundham | The parishes of North Mundham and Oving**(a)** | 1 |

**(a)** *See* S.I. 2001/1260.

| *(1)*<br>*Name of Ward* | *(2)*<br>*Area of Ward* | *(3)*<br>*Number of Councillors* |
|---|---|---|
| Petworth | The parishes of Ebernoe, Fittleworth, Petworth, Stopham and Tillington | 2 |
| Plaistow | The parishes of Loxwood, Lurgashall, Northchapel and Plaistow | 2 |
| Rogate | The parishes of Linch, Milland and Rogate | 1 |
| Selsey North | | 3 |
| Selsey South | | 2 |
| Sidlesham | The parishes of Hunston and Sidlesham | 1 |
| Southbourne | The parishes of Southbourne**(a)** and West Thorney | 3 |
| Stedham | The parishes of Bepton**(a)**, Cocking, Heyshott, Stedham with Iping, West Lavington and Woolbeding**(a)** | 1 |
| Tangmere | The parish of Tangmere**(a)** | 1 |
| Westbourne | The parish of Westbourne | 1 |
| West Wittering | The parishes of Birdham**(a)**, West Itchenor**(a)** and West Wittering**(a)** | 2 |
| Wisborough Green | The parishes of Kirdford and Wisborough Green | 1 |

## SCHEDULE 2

article 4

### WARDS OF THE PARISH OF CHICHESTER
### NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS

| *(1)*<br>*Name of Ward* | *(2)*<br>*Area of Ward* |
|---|---|
| East | The district ward of Chichester East |
| North | The district ward of Chichester North |
| South | The district ward of Chichester South |
| West | The district ward of Chichester West |

**(a)** *See* S.I. 2001/1260.

## SCHEDULE 3

article 5

**WARDS OF THE PARISH OF SELSEY**
**NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS**

| *(1)*<br>*Name of Ward* | *(2)*<br>*Area of Ward* | *(3)*<br>*Number of Councillors* |
|---|---|---|
| North | The district ward of Selsey North | 8 |
| South | The district ward of Selsey South | 6 |

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order gives effect, with one modification, to recommendations by the Boundary Committee for England, a committee of the Electoral Commission, for electoral changes in the district of Chichester.

The modification concerns the boundary between the Fernhurst and Rogate district wards.

The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after 1st May 2003.

Article 3 abolishes the existing wards of the district and provides for the creation of 29 new wards. That article and Schedule 1 also make provision for the names and areas of, and numbers of councillors for, the new wards.

Articles 4 and 5 make electoral changes in the parishes of Chichester and Selsey.

Article 7 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

Article 8 revokes the District of Chichester (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1977 (S.I. 1977/865), with the exception of article 5.

The areas of the new district wards are demarcated on the map described in article 2. Prints of the map may be inspected at all reasonable times at the offices of Chichester District Council and at the principal office of the Electoral Commission at Trevelyan House, Great Peter Street, London SW1P 2HW.

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