STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2000 No. 1420

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The District of South Shropshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2000

Made - - - - - - 24th May 2000

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

Whereas the Local Government Commission for England, acting pursuant to section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 1992(**a**), has submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated August 1999 on its review of the district of South Shropshire together with its recommendations:

And whereas the Secretary of State has decided to give effect, subject to one modification, to those recommendations:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 17(**b**) and 26 of the Local Government Act 1992, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the District of South Shropshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2000.

(2) This Order shall come into force—

(a) for the purposes of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on 1st May 2003, on 10th October 2002;

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

(3) In this Order—

"district" means the district of South Shropshire;

"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 prepared by the Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions marked "Map of the District of South Shropshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2000", and deposited in accordance with regulation 27 of the Local Government Changes for England Regulations 1994(**c**); and

any reference to a numbered sheet is a reference to the sheet of the map which bears that number.

Wards of South Shropshire

2.—(1) The existing wards of the district(**d**) shall be abolished.

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

(**a**) 1992 c. 19.
(**b**) Section 17 is amended by section 39(4) and (5) of the Police and Magistrate's Courts Act 1994 (c. 29).
(**c**) S.I. 1994/867, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.
(**d**) *See* the District of South Shropshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1976 (S.I. 1976/67).

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(3) The wards shall comprise the areas described in column (2) of the Schedule by reference to parishes or parishes and parish wards or, where no area is 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 the 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 Church Stretton

3.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Church Stretton shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into four parish wards which shall bear the names All Stretton, Church Stretton North, Church Stretton South and Little Stretton; and the wards shall comprise the areas designated on sheet 3 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for the Church Stretton South parish ward shall be five, for the Church Stretton North parish ward shall be four and for each of the All Stretton and Little Stretton parish wards shall be two.

Wards of the parish of Ludlow

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

(2) The parish shall be divided into seven parish wards which shall bear the names Bringewood, Clee View, Corve, Gallows Bank, Hayton, Rockspring and Whitcliffe; and the wards shall comprise the areas designated on sheet 2 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for each of the Bringewood, Clee View, Corve, Hayton, Rockspring and Whitcliffe parish wards shall be two and for the Gallows Bank parish ward shall be three.

Wards of the parish of Ludford

5. The existing wards of the parish of Ludford shall be abolished.

Revocation

6. The District of South Shropshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1976 is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State
for the Environment, Transport and the Regions

Beverley Hughes
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
24th May 2000 Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions

SCHEDULE

Article 2

NAMES AND AREAS OF WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

(1) *Name of Ward*	*(2)* *Area of Ward*	*(3)* *Number of Councillors*
Apedale	The parishes of Acton Scott, Eaton-under-Heywood, Hope Bowdler and Rushbury	1
Bishop's Castle with Onny Valley	The parishes of Bishop's Castle, Lydham, More, Myndtown, Norbury, Ratlinghope and Wentnor	2
Bitterley with Stoke St Milborough	The parishes of Bitterley, Hopton Cangeford, Stoke St Milborough and Wheathill	1
Bucknell	The parishes of Bedstone, Bucknell, Clungunford and Hopton Castle	1
Burford	The parishes of Boraston and Burford	1
Caynham with Ashford	The parishes of Ashford Bowdler, Ashford Carbonel, and Richard's Castle (Shropshire) and the Knowbury ward of the parish of Caynham	1
Chirbury	The parish of Chirbury with Brompton	1
Church Stretton North		2
Church Stretton South		2
Clee	The parishes of Coreley, Greete, Hope Bagot, Hopton Wafers, Nash and Whitton and the Clee ward of the parish of Caynham	2
Cleobury Mortimer	The parishes of Cleobury Mortimer, Milson and Neen Sollars	2
Clun	The parishes of Colebatch and Mainstone and the Clun parish ward of Clun parish	1
Clun Forest	The parishes of Bettws-y-Crwyn, Llanfair Waterdine, Newcastle on Clun and Stowe, and the Chapel Lawn parish ward of Clun parish	1
Corve Valley	The parishes of Bromfield, Culmington and Stanton Lacy	1
Kemp Valley	The parishes of Clunbury, Edgton and Lydbury North	1
Ludlow Henley		2
Ludlow St Laurence's		2
Ludlow St Peter's		2
Ludlow Sheet with Ludford		2
Stokesay	The parishes of Craven Arms and Onibury	2
Upper Corvedale	The parishes of Abdon, Clee St Margaret, Diddlebury, Heath and Munslow	1

Wistanstow with Hopesay	The parishes of Hopesay, Sibdon Carwood and Wistanstow	1
Worthen	The parish of Worthen with Shelve	1

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations by the Local Government Commission for England for electoral changes in the district of South Shropshire. The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after 1st May 2003. The modification relates to the name of one of the proposed new wards. The Secretary of State has decided that the ward for which the Commission suggested the name "Craven Arms" should be called "Stokesay".

Article 2 abolishes the existing wards of the district and provides for the creation of twenty-three new wards. That article and the Schedule also make provision for the names and areas of, and numbers of councillors for, the new wards.

Articles 3, 4 and 5 make electoral changes in the parishes of Church Stretton, Ludlow and Ludford.

Article 6 revokes the District of South Shropshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1976.

The areas of the new district and parish wards are demarcated on the map described in article 1(3). Prints of the map may be inspected at all reasonable times at the offices of South Shropshire District Council and at the offices of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, 2nd Floor, Ashdown House, 123 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6DE.

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