Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 59(9) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009; draft to lie for forty days pursuant to section 6(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, during which period either House of Parliament may resolve that the Order be not made.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No. ****

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Surrey (Electoral Changes) Order 2024

Made - - - -

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

Under section 58(4) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009(**a**) ("the Act") the Local Government Boundary Commission for England(**b**) ("the Commission") published a report dated May 2024(**c**) stating its recommendations for changes to the electoral arrangements for Surrey. The Commission has decided to give effect to the recommendations.

A draft of the instrument has been laid before Parliament and a period of forty days has expired since the day on which it was laid and neither House has resolved that the instrument be not made.

The Commission makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 59(1) of the Act.

Citation, commencement, extent and application

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Surrey (Electoral Changes) Order 2024.

(2) This article and article 2 come into force on the day after the day on which this Order is made.

(3) Article 3 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;

(**a**) 2009 c. 20.

(**b**) The Local Government Boundary Commission for England was established on 1st April 2010 by section 55(1) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.

(**c**) The report is available for inspection at reasonable times at the principal office of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 1st Floor, Windsor House, 50 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0TL. It is also accessible online at https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/surrey/.

(b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in England(**a**) in 2025.

(4) Article 4 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.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order, "the map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the Surrey (Electoral Changes) Order 2024", held by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England(**b**).

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

Divisions of Surrey and number of councillors

3.—(1) The existing divisions of Surrey are abolished.

(2) Surrey is divided into the 81 divisions listed in Schedule 1.

(3) Each division comprises the area identified on the map by reference to the name of the division.

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for each division is one.

Parish wards of the parishes of Ash, Horley, Witley & Milford and Worplesdon and number of councillors

4.—(1) The existing parish wards of Ash, Horley, Witley & Milford and Worplesdon are abolished.

(2) The parish of Ash is divided into the four parish wards listed in the first column of Table 1 in Schedule 2.

(3) The parish of Horley is divided into the five parish wards listed in the first column of Table 2 in Schedule 2.

(4) The parish of Witley & Milford is divided into the three parish wards listed in the first column of Table 3 in Schedule 2.

(5) The parish of Worplesdon is divided into the two parish wards listed in the first column of Table 4 in Schedule 2.

(6) Each parish ward comprises the area identified on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.

(7) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that parish ward in the second column of the relevant table in Schedule 2.

(**a**) 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).

(**b**) Prints of the map are available for inspection at reasonable times at the principal office of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 1st Floor, Windsor House, 50 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0TL. It is also accessible online at http://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/surrey.

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

Name
Chief Executive
Date Local Government Boundary Commission for England

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

Divisions of Surrey

1. Addlestone
2. Ash
3. Ashford
4. Ashtead
5. Bagshot, Windlesham & Chobham
6. Banstead, Woodmansterne & Chipstead
7. Bookham & Fetcham West
8. Camberley East
9. Camberley West & Frimley
10. Caterham Hill
11. Caterham Valley
12. Chertsey
13. Cobham & Oxshott South
14. Cranleigh & Ewhurst
15. Dorking
16. Dorking Hills
17. Dorking Rural
18. Earlswood & Reigate South
19. Egham
20. Englefield Green & Virginia Water
21. Epsom Town & Downs
22. Epsom West
23. Esher, Claygate & Oxshott North
24. Ewell Court, Auriol & Cuddington
25. Ewell Village, Stoneleigh & Nonsuch
26. Farnham Central
27. Farnham North
28. Farnham South
29. Frimley Green & Mytchett
30. Godalming North

31. Godalming South, Milford & Witley
32. Godstone
33. Goldsworth East & Horsell Village
34. Guildford East
35. Guildford North
36. Guildford South East
37. Guildford South West
38. Guildford West
39. Haslemere
40. Heatherside & Parkside
41. Hersham
42. Horley East
43. Horley West, Salfords & Sidlow
44. Horsleys
45. Knaphill & Goldsworth West
46. Laleham & Shepperton
47. Leatherhead & Fetcham East
48 Lightwater, West End & Bisley
49. Lingfield
50. Long Ditton, Hinchley Wood & Weston Green
51. Lower Sunbury & Halliford
52. Merstham & Banstead South
53. Nork & Tattenhams
54. Oxted
55. Redhill East & North Earlswood
56. Redhill West & Meadvale
57. Reigate
58. Shalford
59. Shere
60. Staines
61. Staines South & Ashford West
62. Stanwell, Stanwell Moor & Ashford North
63. Sunbury Common & Ashford Common
64. Tadworth, Walton & Kingswood
65. Thames Ditton & East Molesey
66. The Byfleets

67. Thorpe, Longcross & Ottershaw
68. Walton
69. Walton South & Oatlands
70. Warlingham
71. Waverley Eastern Villages
72. Waverley Western Villages
73. West Ewell
74. West Molesey
75. Weybridge
76. Woking North
77. Woking South
78. Woking South East
79. Woking South West
80. Woodham & New Haw
81. Worplesdon

SCHEDULE 2

Article 4

Names of parish wards and number of councillors

Table 1

Parish wards of the parish of Ash and number of councillors

(1) Name of parish ward	*(2) Number of councillors*
Ash South	2
Ash South West	2
Ash Vale	2
Ash Wharf	6

Table 2

Parish wards of the parish of Horley and number of councillors

(1) Name of Parish ward	*(2) Number of councillors*
Horley Central North	1
Horley East	4
Horley South	5
Horley Upper North	1
Horley West	7

Table 3

Parish wards of the parish of Witley & Milford and number of councillors

(1) Name of Parish ward	*(2) Number of councillors*
Milford	8
Witley East	5
Witley West	3

Table 4

Parish wards of the parish of Worplesdon and number of councillors

(1) Name of Parish ward	*(2) Number of councillors*
Rydeshill	3
Villages	13

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes changes to electoral arrangements for Surrey following recommendations made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. The area of the county remains unchanged.

Article 3 abolishes the existing electoral divisions of the county and replaces them with the 81 new ones listed in Schedule 1 for the purpose of elections to be held on or after the ordinary day of election of councillors in England in 2025. It also establishes the names and areas of the new electoral divisions and the number of councillors for each.

Article 4 makes changes to parish wards which are consequential on the changes made by article 3. The changes to parish wards introduced by article 4 come into force for the purpose of parish elections in 2027 and in respect of subsequent parish elections.

The area covered by each electoral division created by this Order is identified on a map which is available for inspection at reasonable times at the offices of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 1st Floor, Windsor House, 50 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0TL.

The map may also be accessed at: https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/surrey/.

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

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