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

2015 No.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Warwickshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2015

Made - - - -

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

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 February 2015 stating its recommendations for changes to the electoral arrangements for the county of Warwickshire. 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 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 and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Warwickshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2015.

(2) Except for article 4, this Order comes into force—

(a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of councillors, on 15th October 2016;

(b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2017.

(3) Article 4 comes into force—

(a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of councillors, on 15th October 2018;

(b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2019.

(**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.20).

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the Warwickshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2015", prints of which are available for inspection at the principal office of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England;

"ordinary day of election of councillors" has the meaning given by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983(**a**).

Electoral divisions of the county of Warwickshire and number of councillors

3.—(1) The existing electoral divisions of the county of Warwickshire are abolished.

(2) The county of Warwickshire is divided into 57 electoral divisions, each listed by name in Schedule 1.

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

(4) One councillor is to be elected for each electoral division.

(5) 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.

Parish wards and number of councillors

4.—(1) The existing wards of the following parishes are abolished—

(a) Kenilworth;

(b) Royal Leamington Spa;

(c) Stratford-upon-Avon;

(d) Warwick.

(2) The parish of Kenilworth is divided into five parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 1 in Schedule 2.

(3) The parish of Royal Leamington Spa is divided into 13 parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 2 in Schedule 2.

(4) The parish of Stratford-upon-Avon is divided into 11 parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 3 in Schedule 2.

(5) The parish of Warwick is divided into nine parish wards, each listed by name in the first column of table 4 in Schedule 2.

(6) Each parish ward comprises the area designated 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 ward in the second column of the table in Schedule 2 in which the name of that ward appears.

(**a**) 1983 c.2; section 37 has been amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50), paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c.29) and section 60(1) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (c.28).

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

Name
Chairman
Date Local Government Boundary Commission for England

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

Names of county electoral divisions

In North Warwickshire Borough

Atherstone
Baddesley & Dordon
Coleshill North & Water Orton
Coleshill South & Arley
Hartshill & Mancetter
Kingsbury
Polesworth

In Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough

Arbury
Attleborough
Bedworth Central
Bedworth East
Bedworth North
Bedworth West
Bulkington & Whitestone
Camp Hill
Galley Common
Nuneaton Abbey
Nuneaton East
Stockingford
Weddington

In Rugby Borough

Admirals & Cawston
Benn
Bilton & Hillside
Brownsover & Coton Park
Dunsmore & Leam Valley
Earl Craven
Eastlands
Fosse
Hillmorton
New Bilton & Overslade

In Stratford-on-Avon District

Alcester
Arden
Bidford & Welford
Feldon
Kineton & Red Horse
Shipston
Southam, Stockton & Napton
Stour & the Vale
Stratford North
Stratford South
Stratford West
Studley
Wellesbourne

In Warwick District

Budbrooke & Bishop's Tachbrook
Cubbington & Leek Wootton
Kenilworth Park Hill
Kenilworth St John's
Lapworth & West Kenilworth
Leamington Brunswick
Leamington Clarendon
Leamington Milverton
Leamington North
Leamington Willes
Warwick North
Warwick South
Warwick West
Whitnash

SCHEDULE 2

Article 4

Names of parish wards and number of councillors

Table 1

Wards of the parish of Kenilworth and number of councillors

(1) *Name of parish ward*	*(2)* *Number of councillors*
Abbey	3
Clock Tower	1
Park Hill	6
St John's	6
St Nicholas	1

Table 2

Wards of the parish of Royal Leamington Spa and number of councillors

(1) *Name of parish ward*	*(2)* *Number of councillors*
Arlington	1
Brunswick North	2
Brunswick South	1
Clarendon	1
Cloisters	1
Leam	1
Lillington	2
Lime	1
Milverton	2
Northumberland	1
Prince's	1
Sydenham	1
Victoria Park	1

Table 3

Wards of the parish of Stratford-upon-Avon and number of councillors

(1) *Name of parish ward*	*(2)* *Number of councillors*
Avenue	2
Bishopton	2
Bridgetown	2
Brookside	1
Clopton	2
Hathaway	1
Old Town	1
Shottery	2
Tiddington	2
Welcombe	2
Willows	1

Table 4

Wards of the parish of Warwick and number of councillors

(1) *Name of parish ward*	*(2)* *Number of councillors*
Aylesford	2
Cliffe	1
Emscote	2
Heathcote	2
Leafield	1
Myton	1
Saltisford	2
Saltisford Common	1
Woodloes Park	3

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes changes to electoral arrangements for the county of Warwickshire following recommendations made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. The area of the county remains unchanged. The electoral changes apply in respect of local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2017.

Article 3 abolishes the existing county electoral divisions of the county of Warwickshire and replaces them with 57 new ones. That article, the map (as defined in article 2) and Schedule 1 also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new county electoral divisions.

Article 4 abolishes the existing wards of the parishes of (i) Kenilworth, (ii) Royal Leamington Spa, (iii) Stratford-upon-Avon and (iv) Warwick and replaces them with new ones. That article, the map and Schedule 2 also establish the names, areas and number of councillors of the new parish wards.

The map defined in article 2 shows the new county electoral divisions and parish wards. It is available at [insert link]. The map is also available for inspection at all reasonable times at the offices of Warwickshire County Council, Shire Hall, Warwick CV34 3RL and at the offices of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England at 14th Floor, Millbank Tower, Millbank, London SW1P 4QP.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.

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