STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1964 No. 277

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

REDISTRIBUTION OF SEATS

The Parliamentary Constituencies (Rochester and Chatham and Gravesend) Order 1964

Laid before Parliament in draft
Made - - - - 26*th February* 1964
Coming into Operation 11*th March* 1964

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 26th day of February 1964

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas in pursuance of section 2(3) of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act 1949(**a**) the Boundary Commission for England have submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated 19th November 1963 with respect to the areas comprised in certain constituencies in England and showing the constituencies into which they recommend, in accordance with the provisions of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Acts 1949 and 1958(**b**), that the areas should be divided:

And whereas the Secretary of State has laid the said report before Parliament together with the draft of this Order in Council to give effect to recommendations contained in the report and each House of Parliament has by resolution approved the said draft:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in pursuance of the powers conferred by section 3 of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act 1949, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. In lieu of the borough constituency of Rochester and Chatham and the county constituency of Gravesend described in Part II of the Schedule to the Parliamentary Constituencies (North Kent) Order 1955(c) and specified in Part I of the Schedule to this Order there shall be substituted the borough and county constituencies described in Part II of the Schedule to this Order.

2. The electoral registration officers for the aforesaid constituencies shall make such re-arrangement or adaptation of the registers of parliamentary electors as may be necessary to give effect to this Order.

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 66. (b) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 66 and 6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 26.
(c) S.I. 1955/13 (1955 II, p. 2155).

3.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Parliamentary Constituencies (Rochester and Chatham and Gravesend) Order 1964.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(a) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) This Order shall come into operation on the fourteenth day after the day on which it is made:

Provided that the coming into operation of this Order shall not affect any parliamentary election until a proclamation is issued by Her Majesty summoning a new Parliament or affect the constitution of the House of Commons until the dissolution of the Parliament in being on the day on which this Order comes into operation.

W. G. Agnew.

SCHEDULE

KENT

PART I

Existing constituencies described by reference to circumstances as they existed on 1st April 1954 except for any subsequent accretion from the sea

Name	County or Borough Constituency	Contents
Rochester and Chatham	Borough ...	The boroughs of Rochester and Chatham.
Gravesend	County ...	(i) The borough of Gravesend; (ii) the urban district of Northfleet; (iii) the rural district of Strood.

PART II

New constituencies described by reference to circumstances as they existed on 1st November 1963 (being a date subsequent to the Kent (City of Rochester and Rural District of Strood) Confirmation Order 1962) except for any subsequent accretion from the sea whether occurring before or after the making of this Order

Name	County or Borough Constituency	Contents
Rochester and Chatham	Borough ...	The boroughs of Rochester and Chatham.
Gravesend	County ...	(i) The borough of Gravesend; (ii) the urban district of Northfleet; (iii) the rural district of Strood.

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.