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The Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Edinburgh Central and Edinburgh Pentlands) Order, 1955

Made - - - - *5th January,* 1955
Coming into Operation *19th January,* 1955

At the Court at Sandringham, the 5th day of January, 1955

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas in pursuance of subsection (1) of section two of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act, 1949(a), the Boundary Commission for Scotland have submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated the twenty-third day of August, 1954, showing the constituencies into which they recommend that Scotland should be divided in order to give effect to the rules set out in the Second Schedule to the said Act:

And Whereas the Secretary of State has laid the said report before Parliament together with a 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 exercise of the powers conferred by section three 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. For the burgh constituencies of Edinburgh Central and Edinburgh Pentlands described in the First Schedule to the Representation of the People Act, 1948(b), and specified in Part I of the Schedule to this Order there shall be substituted the burgh constituencies described in Part II of the Schedule to this Order.

2. The electoral registration officer 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.

3.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Edinburgh Central and Edinburgh Pentlands) Order, 1955.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), 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.

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 66. (b) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 65. (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

SCHEDULE

PART I

Existing Constituencies described by reference to circumstances as they existed on the twenty-second day of May, 1948

Name	County or Burgh Constituency	Contents
Edinburgh Central ...	Burgh ...	The following wards of the county of the city of Edinburgh, namely, George Square, Holyrood and St. Giles.
Edinburgh Pentlands	Burgh ...	The following wards of the county of the city of Edinburgh, namely, Colinton, Gorgie-Dalry, Merchiston and Sighthill.

PART II

New Constituencies described by reference to circumstances as they existed on the sixteenth day of May, 1954, *except as otherwise stated*

Name	County or Burgh Constituency	Contents
Edinburgh Central ...	Burgh ...	The following wards of the county of the city of Edinburgh, namely, George Square, Holyrood and St. Giles and that part of Gorgie-Dalry ward which lies north and east of a line commencing at a point on the southern boundary of the ward where it is cut by the centre line of Harrison Road; thence in a generally north-easterly direction along the centre line of Harrison Road, Ardmillan Terrace and Dalry Road to a point in the centre of the Granton Branch Railway where it crosses Dalry Road; thence in a generally north-westerly direction along the centre of the said railway to the termination of the line at the point where it meets the northern boundary of the ward.
Edinburgh Pentlands	Burgh ...	The following wards of the county of the city of Edinburgh, namely, Colinton, Merchiston, Sighthill (with the exception of the area added by the Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1954(a)) and that part of the Gorgie-Dalry ward which is not included in the Edinburgh Central constituency.

(a) 2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. xxi.