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LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Wycombe (Parish Electoral Arrangements) Order 2007

Made - - - - 21st February 2007

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

Wycombe District Council, under section $9(\mathbf{a})$ of the Local Government and Rating Act $1997(\mathbf{b})$ ("the 1997 Act"), have made to the Electoral Commission(\mathbf{c}) proposals dated October 2006 for electoral arrangements in the proposed parish of Marlow Bottom(\mathbf{d}) and the parish of Great Marlow(\mathbf{e}) in the district of Wycombe:

The Electoral Commission have decided to give effect to those proposals:

Accordingly, the Electoral Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections $14(\mathbf{f})$ and $23(\mathbf{g})$ of the 1997 Act, make the following Order:

Citation and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Wycombe (Parish Electoral Arrangements) Order 2007.
- (2) This Order comes into force—
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the elections of parish councillors for the parishes of Great Marlow and Marlow Bottom, to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007, on the day after that on which it is made;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"ordinary day of election of councillors" has the meaning given by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983(h); and

⁽a) This section has been amended by the Local Government Commission for England (Transfer of Functions) Order 2001 (S.I. 2001/3962).

⁽b) 1997 c.29.

⁽c) The Electoral Commission was established by the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c.41). The functions of the Secretary of State, under sections 13, 14 and 17(4) of the 1997 Act (c.29), to the extent that they relate to electoral arrangements within the meaning of that Act, were transferred with modifications to the Electoral Commission on 1st April 2002 (S.I. 2001/3962).

⁽d) The parish of Marlow Bottom was created by the Wycombe (Parishes) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/65).

⁽e) The area of the parish of Great Marlow was altered by S.I. 2007/65.

⁽f) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962 and also otherwise in ways not relevant to this Order.

⁽g) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

⁽h) 1983 c.2, section 37 has been amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50) and section 17 of, and paragraphs 1 and 5 of Schedule 3 to, the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c.29).

"registration officer" means an officer appointed for the purpose of, and in accordance with, section $8(\mathbf{a})$ of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

Election for the parish of Marlow Bottom

3. The election of all parish councillors for the parish of Marlow Bottom shall be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007(**b**).

Numbers of parish councillors for the parishes of Great Marlow and Marlow Bottom

- **4.**—(1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Great Marlow shall be five.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Marlow Bottom shall be six.

Wards of the parish of Great Marlow

5. The existing wards of the parish of Great Marlow shall be abolished.

Electoral register

6. The registration officer for the district of Wycombe shall make such rearrangement of, or adaptation of, the register of local government electors as may be necessary for the purposes of, and in consequence of, this Order.

Sealed with the seal of the Electoral Commission on the 21st day of February 2007



21st February 2007

Sam Younger Chairman of the Commission

21st February 2007

Jacqui Dixon
Secretary to the Commission

⁽a) Section 8 has been amended by the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994 (c.19) and the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c.39).

⁽b) Article 3 provides for the parish election in the new parish of Marlow Bottom in 2007. Section 16(3) of the Local Government Act 1972 (c.70) provides for parish elections to take place every four years.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to proposals made to the Electoral Commission for the electoral arrangements for the new parish of Marlow Bottom, created from part of the existing parish of Great Marlow within the district of Wycombe by the Wycombe (Parishes) Order 2007, and for changes to the electoral arrangements for the altered parish of Great Marlow.

The new electoral arrangements apply in respect of parish elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007.

Article 3 provides for the parish election in the new parish of Marlow Bottom in 2007, and then to continue according to the established system of parish elections every four years.

Article 4 specifies the numbers of councillors for the parishes of Great Marlow and Marlow Bottom.

Article 5 abolishes the existing wards of the altered parish of Great Marlow.

Article 6 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.