

2014 No. 1308

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Sevenoaks (Electoral Changes) Order 2014

Made - - - - *20th May 2014*

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

Under section 92(2) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007^(a) (“the Act”) Sevenoaks District Council (“the Council”) made recommendations to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England^(b) for the related alteration of the boundaries of district wards within the Council’s area.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England has decided to give effect to the recommendations and, in exercise of the power conferred by section 92(3) of the Act, makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Sevenoaks (Electoral Changes) Order 2014.
- (2) This Order comes into force—
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of councillors, on 15th October 2014;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2015.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“the 2013 Order” means the Sevenoaks District Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2013^(c);

“district ward” means a ward established by article 2 of the District of Sevenoaks (Electoral Changes) Order 2001^(d);

“ordinary day of election of councillors” has the meaning given by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983^(e).

(a) 2007 c.28; section 92 has been amended by section 67(1) of, and paragraphs 11 and 32 of Schedule 4 to, the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20) (“the 2009 Act”).

(b) The Local Government Boundary Commission for England was established by section 55(1) of the 2009 Act. The functions of the Electoral Commission under Chapter 3 of Part 4 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (c.28) (“the 2007 Act”) were transferred to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England with effect from 1st April 2010 by section 60 of the 2009 Act.

(c) The Sevenoaks District Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2013 was made by Sevenoaks District Council under section 86(2) of the 2007 Act.

(d) S.I. 2001/3557.

(e) 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 2007 Act.

Related alterations of district ward boundaries

3.—(1) Each area that ceases to be part of the parish of Hartley and becomes part of the parish of Ash-cum-Ridley in consequence of the 2013 Order ceases to be part of Hartley and Hodsoll Street district ward and becomes part of Ash and New Ash Green district ward^(a).

(2) Each area that ceases to be part of the parish of Shoreham and becomes part of the parish of Eynsford in consequence of the 2013 Order ceases to be part of Otford and Shoreham district ward and becomes part of Eynsford district ward.

(3) Each area that ceases to be part of the parish of Swanley and becomes part of the parish of Hextable in consequence of the 2013 Order ceases to be part of Swanley Christchurch and Swanley Village district ward and becomes part of Hextable district ward.

(4) Each area that ceases to be part of the parish of Leigh and becomes part of the parish of Penshurst in consequence of the 2013 Order ceases to be part of Leigh and Chiddingstone Causeway district ward and becomes part of Penshurst, Fordcombe and Chiddingstone district ward.

(5) Each area that ceases to be part of the parish of Brasted and becomes part of the parish of Westerham in consequence of the 2013 Order ceases to be part of Brasted, Chevening and Sundridge district ward and becomes part of Westerham and Crockham Hill district ward.

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



Date 20th May 2014

Max Caller
Chairman
Local Government Boundary Commission for England

(a) Sevenoaks District Council changed the name of the district ward of Ash to Ash and New Ash Green by resolution dated 14th September 2010, in exercise of the power conferred by section 59 of the 2007 Act.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Sevenoaks District Council to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England for related alterations of district ward boundaries. These alterations are related to parish boundary changes made by the Sevenoaks District Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2013.

The new boundaries apply in respect of district elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2015.

Article 3 alters the district wards of (i) Ash and New Ash Green; (ii) Brasted, Chevening and Sundridge; (iii) Eynsford; (iv) Hartley and Hodsoll Street; (v) Hextable; (vi) Leigh and Chiddingstone Causeway; (vii) Otford and Shoreham; (viii) Penshurst, Fordcombe and Chiddingstone; (ix) Swanley Christchurch and Swanley Village and (x) Westerham and Crockham Hill.

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