

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

The Dorset Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order [No.1] 2023

Made 6 April 2023

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

DORSET COUNCIL ("the council"), in accordance with section 82 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 ("the 2007 Act"), has undertaken a community governance review and made recommendations dated 14 July 2022:

The council has decided to give effect to those recommendations and, in accordance with section 93 of the 2007 Act, has consulted with the local government electors and other interested persons and has had regard to the need to secure that community governance reflects the identities and interests of the community and is effective and convenient:

The council, in accordance with section 100 of the 2007 Act, has had regard to guidance issued under that section:

The council makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 86, 98(6) and 240(10) of the 2007 Act.

Citation and commencement

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the Dorset Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) [No.1] Order 2023.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4) below this Order shall come into force on 1 April 2024.

(3) Articles 5 to 20 inclusive shall come into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024.

(4) For the purposes of:

(a) this article; and

(b) proceedings preliminary or relating to the elections of parish councillors for the parishes of Charminster, Abbotsbury, Fleet, Langton Herring, Portesham, Iwerne Courtney, Iwerne Stepleton, Tincton, West Knighton, West Stafford, Woodsford, Nether Compton, Over Compton, Sandford Orcas, Trent, Shaftesbury, Tarrant Crawford, Tarrant Keyneston, Tarrant Rawston, Tarrant Rushton, St Leonards and St Ives, Compton Valence, Toller Fratrum, West Compton, Wynford Eagle, East Orchard, Margaret Marsh, West Orchard, East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber, West Stour, Beer Hackett, Thornford, Bettiscombe, Marshwood, Pilsdon, Stoke Abbott, Dewlands North, Dewlands South, Stephen's Castle, Three Cross, Winterbourne Abbas, Winterbourne Steepleton, Yetminster, Ryme Intrinseca to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024,

this Order shall come into force on the day after that on which it is made.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“district” means the district of Dorset;

“existing” means existing on the date this Order is made;

“ordinary day of election of councillors” has the meaning given by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983; and

“registration officer” means an officer appointed for the purpose of, and in accordance with, section 8 of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

Effect of Order

3. This Order has effect subject to any agreement under section 99 (agreements about incidental matters) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 relevant to any provision of this Order.

Parish Elections

4. In accordance with section 40 of the Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole (Structural Changes) Order 2018:

(1) The election of all parish councillors shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024.

(2) The term of office of every parish councillor elected on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024 shall be five years, and thereafter from the ordinary day of election in 2029 shall be four years.

Parishes of the Chesil Bank group of parishes under the Chesil Bank Parish Council

5. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Abbotsbury shall be four.

(2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Fleet shall be two.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Langton Herring shall be two.

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Portesham shall be seven.

Parishes of the Iwerne Courtney and Stepleton group of parishes under the Iwerne Courtney and Stepleton Parish Council

6. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Iwerne Courtney shall be seven.

(2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Iwerne Stepleton shall be one.

Parishes of the Knightsford group of parishes under the Knightsford Group Parish Council

7. (1). The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Tincton shall be two.

(2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of West Knighton shall be five.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of West Stafford shall be four.

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Woodsford shall be one.

Parishes of the Queen Thorne group of parishes under the Queen Thorne Parish Council

8. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Nether Compton shall be four.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Over Compton shall be three.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Sandford Orcas shall be three.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Trent shall be four.

Parishes of the South Tarrant Valley group of parishes under the South Tarrant Valley Parish Council

9. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Tarrant Crawford shall be one.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Tarrant Keyneston shall be five.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Tarrant Rawston shall be two.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Tarrant Rushton shall be two.

Parishes of the Comptons, Toller and Wynford group of parishes under the Comptons, Toller and Wynford Parish Council

10. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Compton Valence shall be two.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Toller Fratrum shall be one.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of West Compton shall be two.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Wynford Eagle shall be two.

Parishes of The Orchards and Margaret Marsh group of parishes under The Orchards and Margaret Marsh Parish Council

11. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of East Orchard shall be four.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Margaret Marsh shall be one.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of West Orchard shall be two.

Parishes of The Stours group of parishes under The Stours Parish Council

12. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of East Stour shall be seven.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Stour Provost shall be seven.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Todber shall be two.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of West Stour shall be three.

Parishes of Thornhackett group of parishes under Thornhackett Parish Council

13. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Beer Hackett shall be two.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Thornford shall be eight.

Parishes of Upper Marshwood Vale group of parishes under Upper Marshwood Vale Parish Council

14. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Bettiscombe shall be one.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Marshwood shall be five.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Pilsdon shall be one.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Stoke Abbott shall be three.

Parishes of Verwood group of parishes under Verwood Town Council

15. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Dewlands North shall be two.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Dewlands South shall be eight.
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Stephen's Castle shall be seven.
- (4) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Three Cross shall be two.

Parishes of Winterbourne Abbas and Winterbourne Steepleton group of parishes under Winterborne Abbas and Winterbourne Steepleton Parish Council

16. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Winterbourne Abbas shall be four.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Winterbourne Steepleton shall be three.

Parishes of Yetminster and Ryme Intrinseca group of parishes under Yetminster and Ryme Intrinseca Parish Council

17. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Ryme Intrinseca shall be one.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Yetminster shall be nine.

Wards of the parish of Charminster and numbers of parish councillors for the parish of Charminster

18. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for Charminster North ward of the parish of Charminster shall be five.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for Charminster South ward of the parish of Charminster shall be seven.

Wards of the parish of Shaftesbury and numbers of parish councillors for the parish of Shaftesbury

19. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for Shaftesbury East ward of the parish of Shaftesbury shall be eight.
- (2) The number of councillors to be elected for Shaftesbury West ward of the parish of Shaftesbury shall be seven.

Wards of the parish of St Leonards and St Ives and numbers of parish councillors for the

parish of St Leonards and St Ives

20. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for East ward of the parish of St Leonards and St Ives shall be six.

(2) The number of councillors to be elected for South ward of the parish of St Leonards and St Ives shall be two.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for West ward of the parish of St Leonards and St Ives shall be four.

Electoral register

21. The registration officer for the district 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.

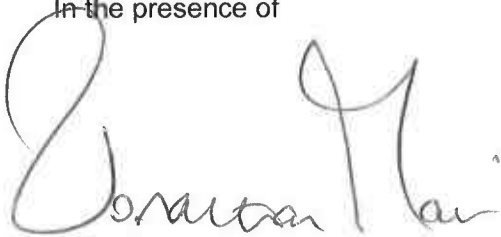
Order date

22. 1st April 2024 is the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

The Common SEAL of DORSET COUNCIL

was hereunto affixed

In the presence of



Authorised Signatory

Dated 6 April 2023



EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Dorset Council for the number of councillors to be elected for the parishes of Abbotsbury, Fleet, Langton Herring, Portesham, Iwerne Courtney, Iwerne Stepleton, Tincleton, West Knighton, West Stafford, Woodsford, Nether Compton, Over Compton, Sandford Orcas, Trent, Tarrant Crawford, Tarrant Keyneston, Tarrant Rawston, Tarrant Rushton, Compton Valence, Toller Fratrum, West Compton, Wynford Eagle, East Orchard, Margaret Marsh, West Orchard, East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber, West Stour, Beer Hackett, Thornford, Bettiscombe, Marshwood, Pilsdon, Stoke Abbott, Dewlands North, Dewlands South, Stephen's Castle, Three Cross, Winterbourne Abbas, Winterbourne Steepleton, Yetminster, Ryme Intrinsic and parish wards of Charminster, Shaftesbury, St Leonards and St Ives within the district of Dorset.

The electoral arrangements apply in respect of parish elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024.

Article 4 provides for parish elections in the parishes of Abbotsbury, Fleet, Langton Herring, Portesham, Iwerne Courtney, Iwerne Stepleton, Tincleton, West Knighton, West Stafford, Woodsford, Nether Compton, Over Compton, Sandford Orcas, Trent, Tarrant Crawford, Tarrant Keyneston, Tarrant Rawston, Tarrant Rushton, Compton Valence, Toller Fratrum, West Compton, Wynford Eagle, East Orchard, Margaret Marsh, West Orchard, East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber, West Stour, Beer Hackett, Thornford, Bettiscombe, Marshwood, Pilsdon, Stoke Abbott, Dewlands North, Dewlands South, Stephen's Castle, Three Cross, Winterbourne Abbas, Winterbourne Steepleton, Yetminster, Ryme Intrinsic and parish wards of Charminster, Shaftesbury, St Leonards and St Ives in 2024 for a term of five years, and then from 2029 to continue according to the established system of parish elections every four years.

Articles 5 to 20 specify the numbers of parish councillors to be elected for the parishes of Abbotsbury, Fleet, Langton Herring, Portesham, Iwerne Courtney, Iwerne Stepleton, Tincleton, West Knighton, West Stafford, Woodsford, Nether Compton, Over Compton, Sandford Orcas, Trent, Tarrant Crawford, Tarrant Keyneston, Tarrant Rawston, Tarrant Rushton, Compton Valence, Toller Fratrum, West Compton, Wynford Eagle, East Orchard, Margaret Marsh, West Orchard, East Stour, Stour Provost, Todber, West Stour, Beer Hackett, Thornford, Bettiscombe, Marshwood, Pilsdon, Stoke Abbott, Dewlands North, Dewlands South, Stephen's Castle, Three Cross, Winterbourne Abbas, Winterbourne Steepleton, Yetminster, Ryme Intrinsic and parish wards of Charminster, Shaftesbury, St Leonards and St Ives.

Article 21 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.