

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

The East Hertfordshire District Council (Reorganisation of Community
Governance) Order 2025

*Made 27th January 2026 Coming into force in
accordance with article 1(2)*

East Hertfordshire District 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 July 2025

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(3) and 240(10) of the 2007 Act.

Citation and commencement(a)

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the East Hertfordshire (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2025.
- (2) The changes in Schedule 3 shall come into force on 1st April 2026
- (3) Changes in Schedules 2,4,5 and 6 shall come into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2027

Interpretation

2. In this Order--

"2007 Act" means the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007

"district " means the district of East Hertfordshire

"existing" means existing on the date this Order is made

"map" means a map set out in Schedules 4, 5 or 6 to this Order, and to the extent that it shows the effects of the Order in greater detail than a general map, satisfies the requirement of s.96(4)(b) of the 2007 Act.

"registration officer" means an officer appointed for the purpose of, and in accordance with, section 8(c) of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

"incidental matters" means the incidental, consequential, transitional and supplementary provision of general application for the purposes of, and in consequence of, reorganisation orders, made by the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008

"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(c) of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

Effect of Order

3. No change has been made to the community governance arrangements in respect of those towns and parishes and or parish groups specified in Schedule 1 of this order.
4. The number of councillors elected to the parish of Hertingfordbury is specified in Schedule 2 of this order.
5. The names of the parishes of Stapleford and Buckland will be changed as specified in Schedule 3 of this order.
6. The boundaries of the town and parishes of Bishop's Stortford, Great Amwell, Hertford, Hertford Heath, Stanstead St Margarets, Thorley and Ware will be changed as specified in Schedule 4 of this order.
7. The electoral arrangements for Sawbridgeworth will be changed as specified in Schedule 5 of this order.
8. The electoral arrangements for Buntingford will be changed as specified in Schedule 6 of this order.

Electoral register

- 7 The registration officer for the East Hertfordshire District Council shall make such a 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

- 8 1st April 2026 is the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

Sealed with the seal of the council on the 29th day of January 2026



29th January 2026

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Director for Legal,
Policy and Governance

SCHEDULE 1

No change has been made to community governance arrangements in respect of the following town and parishes and or their parish group

Albury	Datchworth	Sacombe
Anstey	Eastwick	Standon
Ardeley	Furneux Pelham	Stanstead Abbotts
Aspenden	Gilston	Stocking Pelham
Aston	Great Munden	Tewin
Bayford	High Wych	Thundridge
Bengeo Rural	Hormead	Walkern
Benington	Hunsdon	Wareside
Bramfield	Little Berkhamsted	Watton-at-Stone
Braughing	Little Hadham	Westmill
Brent Pelham	Little Munden	Widford
Brickendon Liberty	Meesden	Wyddial
Cottered	Much Hadham	

SCHEDULE 2

The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Hertingfordbury shall be 9

SCHEDULE 3

Change of Parish Names

The parishes named in Column 1 in the table below shall be named as shown in Column 2

Column (1)	Column (2)
Current Parish Name	New Parish Name
Stapleford Parish Council	Stapleford and Waterford Parish Council
Buckland Parish Council	Buckland and Chipping Parish Council

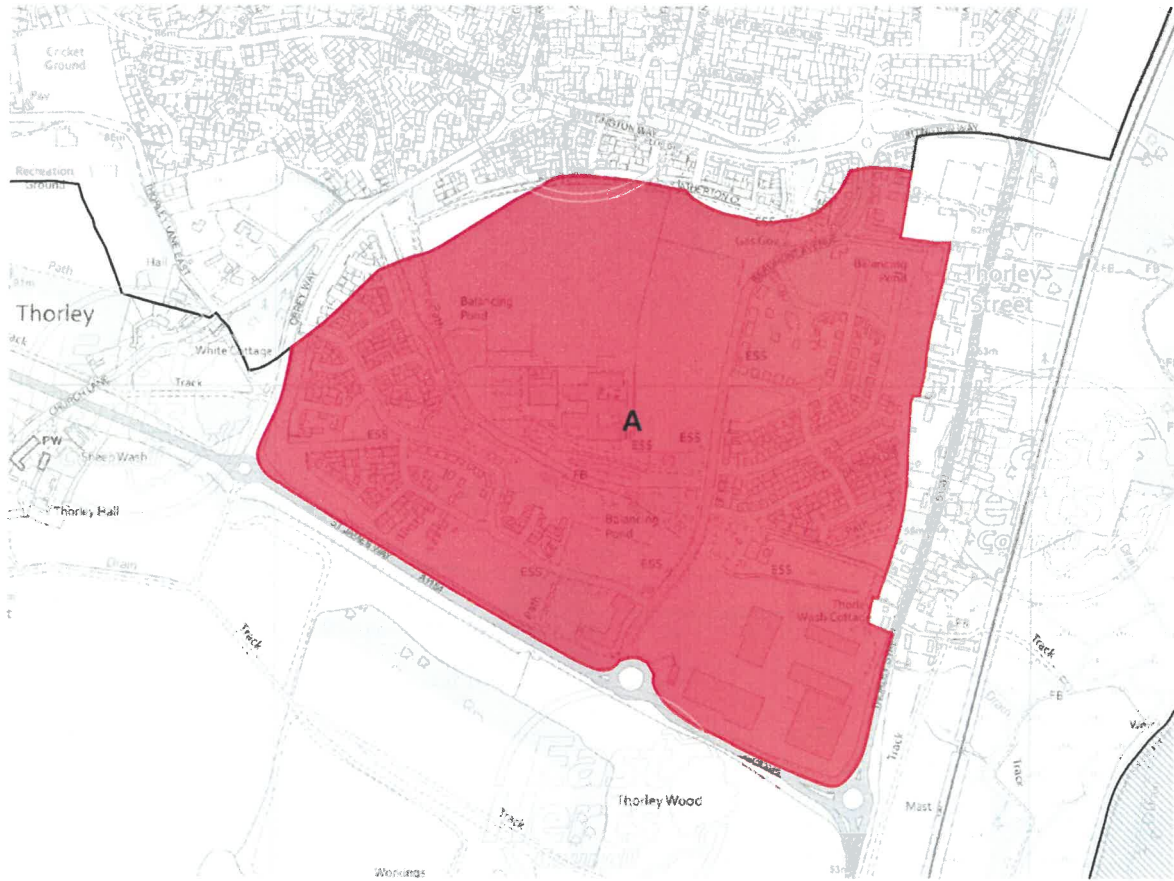
SCHEDULE 4

Alterations to Town and Parish Area and Ward

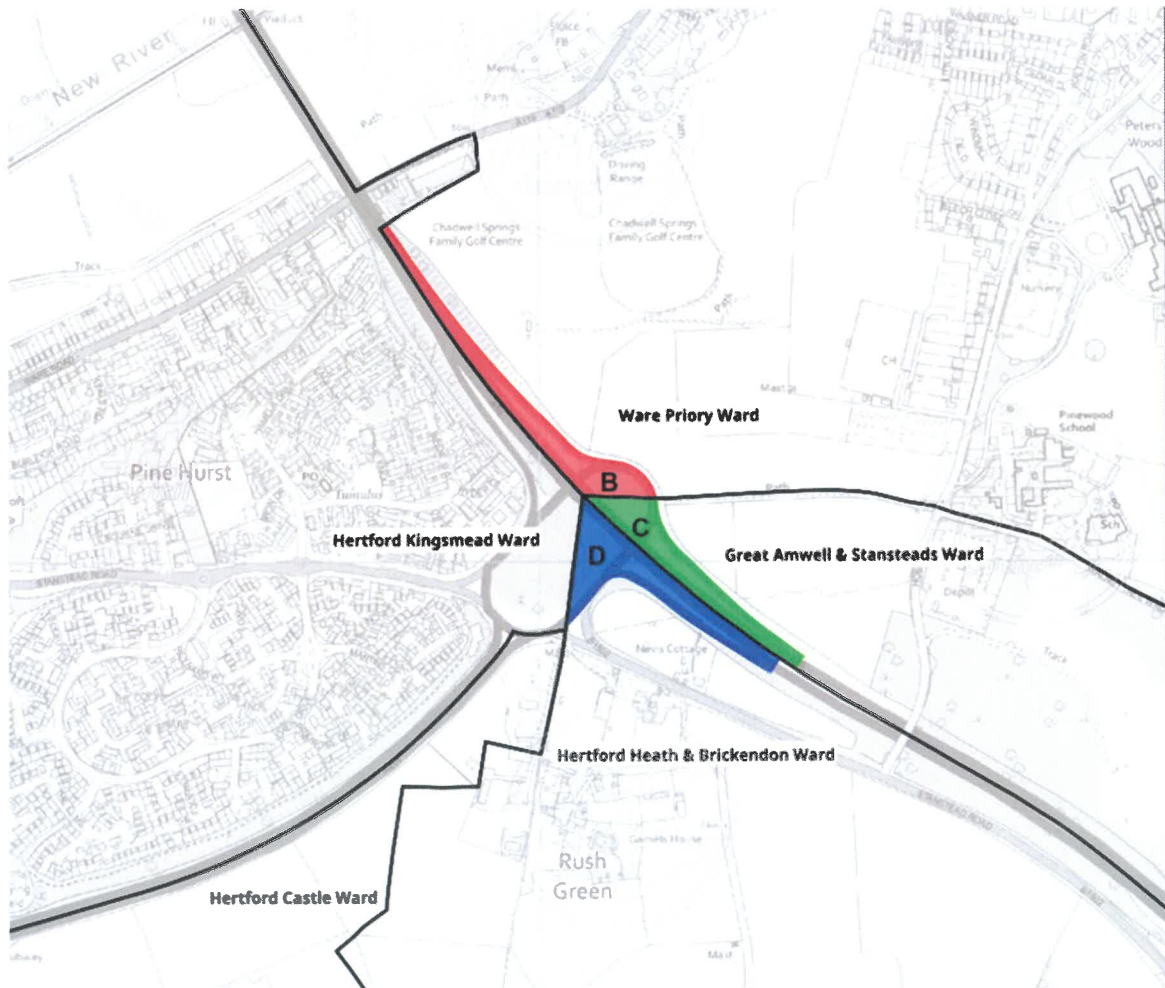
The area marked on the map listed and described in Column (1) shall be omitted from the town or parish in Column (2) and the ward Column (3) (if applicable) and will be added to the town or parish in Column (4) and ward in Column (5) (if applicable)

Column (1)	Column (2)	Column (3)	Column (4)	Column (5)
Map and Area	Town or Parish from which omitted	Town or Parish Ward from which omitted	Town or Parish to which added	Town or Parish to which added
Map 1 Area shaded red and marked A Map 2	Thorley	N/A	Bishop's Stortford	Bishop's Stortford South
Map 2 Area shaded red marked B	Ware	Ware Chadwell	Hertford	Hertford Kingsmead East
Map 2 Area shaded green marked C	Great Amwell	N/A	Hertford	Hertford Kingsmead East
Map 2 Area shaded purple marked D	Hertford Heath	N/A	Hertford	Hertford Kingsmead East
Map 3 Area shaded red marked E	Stanstead St Margarets	N/A	Great Amwell	N/A

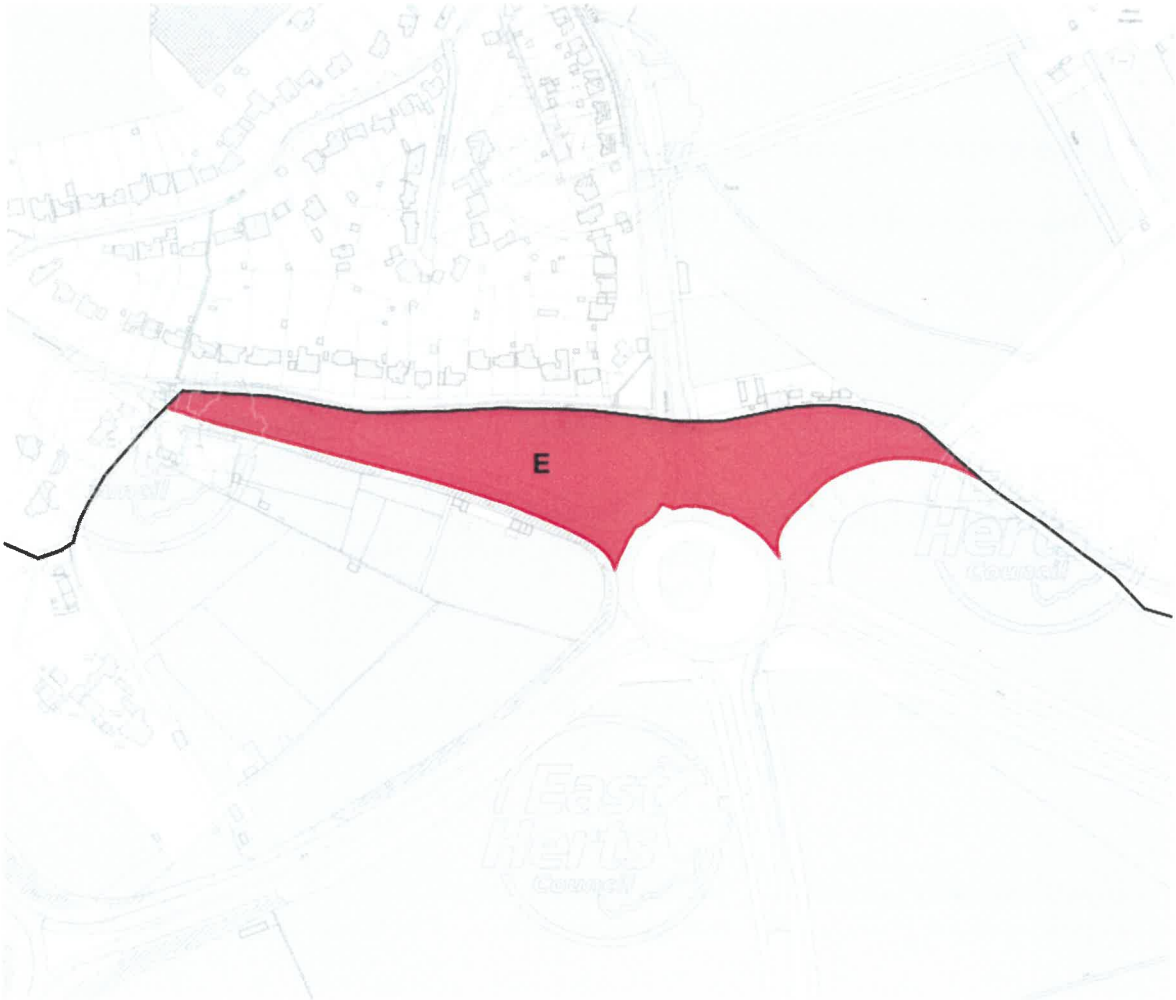
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Map 2



Map 3



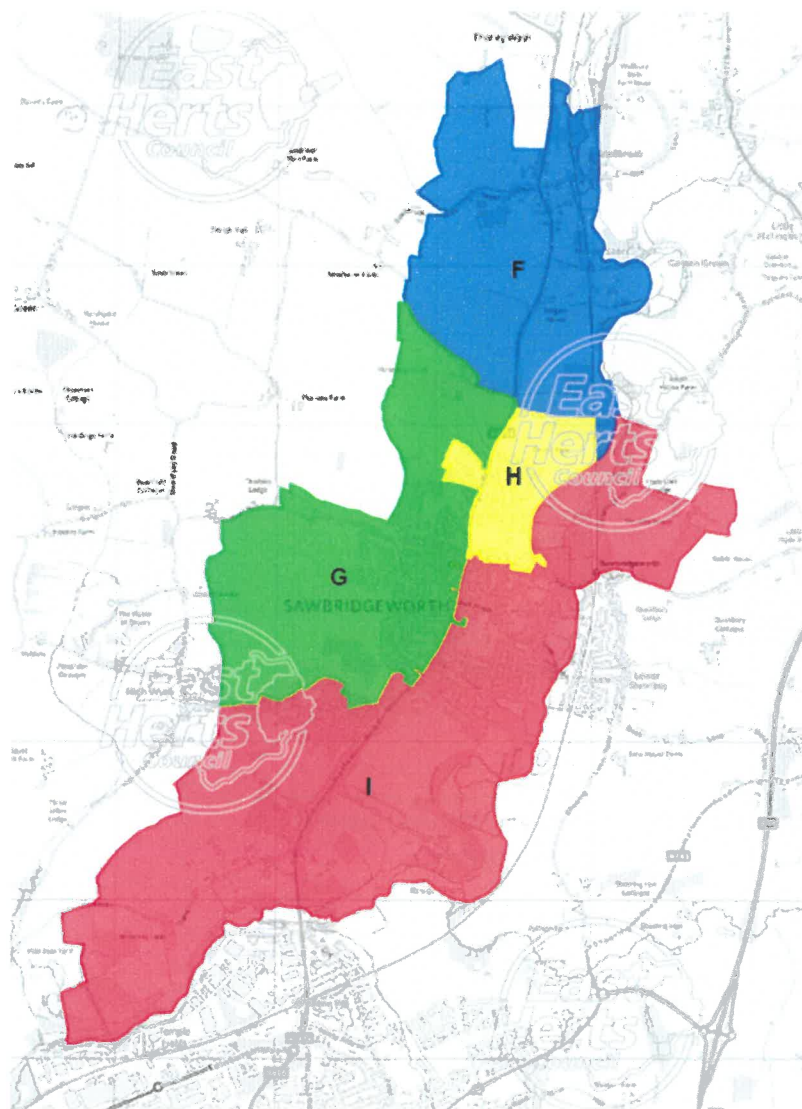
SCHEDULE 5

Wards of the town of Sawbridgeworth and numbers of town councillors

- (1) The town shall be divided into 4 wards which shall be named as set out in Column (1)
- (2) The area of the ward is described in Column 2 and shown on Map 4
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected is shown in Column 3

<i>Column (1)</i>	<i>Column (2)</i>	<i>Column (3)</i>
<i>Name of Ward</i>	<i>Area of Ward</i>	<i>Number of Councillors</i>
Sawbridgeworth Spellbrook Ward	Area shaded purple marked F	1
Sawbridgeworth West Ward	Area shaded green marked G	4
Sawbridgeworth Central Ward	Area shaded yellow marked H	2
Sawbridgeworth South Ward	Area shaded red marked I	5

Map 4



SCHEDULE 6

Wards of the town of Buntingford and numbers of town councillors

- (1) The town shall be divided into 4 wards which shall be named as set out in Column (1)
- (2) The area of the ward is described in Column 2 and shown on Map 4
- (3) The number of councillors to be elected is shown in Column 3

Column (1)	Column (2)	Column (3)
<i>Name of Ward</i>	<i>Area of Ward</i>	<i>Number of Councillors</i>
Buntingford North Ward	Area shaded red marked J	6
Buntingford South Ward	Area shaded green marked K	6

