

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007**

The South Cambridgeshire District Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance)  
Order 2026 relating to the parishes of Great Abington and Little Abington

*Made 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026 Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)*

South Cambridgeshire 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 22 January 2026:

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), 98(4), and 240(10) of the 2007 Act.

### **Citation and commencement**

(1) This Order may be cited as the South Cambridgeshire District Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2026 relating to the parishes of Great Abington and Little Abington.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4) below, this Order comes into force on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026.

(3) Articles 4 to 9 shall come into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2026.

(4) For the purposes of:

(a) this article,

(b) proceedings preliminary or relating to the elections of parish councillors for the reconstituted parishes of Great Abington with Little Abington to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2026, and this Order shall come into force on the day after that on which it is made.

### **Interpretation**

1. In this Order –

"council" means the district of South Cambridgeshire;

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

"map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the South Cambridgeshire District Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2026" and deposited in accordance with section 96(4) of the 2007 Act: and any reference to a numbered sheet is a reference to the sheet of the map which bears that number;

"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**

2. 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.

### **Grouping the parishes of Great Abington and Little Abington under a common parish council**

3. (1) The parishes of Great Abington and Little Abington shall be grouped under a common parish council.

(2) The name of the group shall be "Abington Parish Council".

(3) Each parish in the group which has an alternative style shall cease to have that style.

#### **Elections for the parishes of Great Abington and Little Abington**

4. (1) The elections of all parish councillors for the parishes of Great Abington and Little Abington shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2026 and thereafter every four years.

(2) The term of office of every parish councillor elected on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2026 for the parishes of Great Abington and Little Abington shall be four years.

(3) Where any provision of an Order made before the making of this Order requires an election of parish councillors for a parish mentioned above to be held on a date other than that for which this Order provides, it shall cease to have effect to that extent.

#### **Number of parish councillors for the Parish of Abington**

5. The number of councillors to be elected for the Parish of Abington shall be nine (9) consisting of six (6) representing Great Abington Parish and three (3) representing Little Abington Parish.

#### **Annual meeting of the Parish Council**

6. The annual meeting of the new parish council in 2026 shall be convened by the Development Officer of South Cambridgeshire District Council. The meeting shall take place no later than 14 days after the day on which the councillors elected to the new parish council take office.

#### **Electoral register**

7. 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.

#### **Transitional provision**

8. Until the councillors elected to the council of the new parish council of Abington at the elections to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2026 come into office, the new parish shall be represented by those persons

who immediately before 1st April 2026 are the elected councillors for the parishes of Great Abington and Little Abington.

**Order date**

9. 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 11th day of March 2026

The Common Seal of SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Was hereunto affixed in the presence of



Authorised Signatory



# Parishes of Great and Little Abington



