

REORGANISATION ORDER

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

The Ipswich (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2026

Made 15TH day of JULY 2026

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

Ipswich Borough Council, ("the Borough 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 15 July 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(f):

The council makes the following Order(g) in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 86, 98(4), and 240(10) of the 2007 Act.

Citation and commencement

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the Ipswich (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2026.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3+4) below, this Order comes into force on 1st April 2027.

(3) Articles 8 & 9 shall come into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2027.

(4) For the purposes of:

(a) this article;

(b) article 5; and,

(c) proceedings preliminary or relating to the election[s] of parish councillors for the parish of Ipswich, to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2027;

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

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"borough" means the borough of Ipswich

"county" means the county of Suffolk

“map” means the map marked “Map referred to in the Ipswich (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;

“new parish” means the parish constituted by article 4

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

Constitution of a new parish

4.—(1) A new parish, comprising the area outlined with a blue line on the map, shall be constituted within the borough.

(2) The name of the new parish shall be Ipswich

Calculation of budget requirement

5. For the purposes of regulation 3 of the Local Government Finance (New Parishes) (England) Regulations 2008 there is specified in relation to the parish of Ipswich the sum of £379,680.00

Parish council for the parish of Ipswich

6.—(1) There shall be a parish council for the parish of Ipswich.

(2) The name of that council shall be “Ipswich Parish Council”

Elections for the Parish of Ipswich

7. – (1) The election of all parish councillors for the parish of Ipswich shall be first held on the ordinary day of elections of Councillors in 2027, on the ordinary day of elections in 2032, and every four years thereafter.

(2) The term of office of every parish councillor elected on the ordinary day of elections in 2027 for the parish of Ipswich shall be 5 years.

(3) The term of office of every parish councillor elected for the parish of Ipswich on the ordinary day of elections in 2032, and every four years thereafter, shall be 4 years.

Number of parish councillors for the parish of Ipswich

8. The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Ipswich shall be seventeen (17).

Wards of the parish of Ipswich and number of parish councillors

9. (1) The parish of Ipswich shall be divided into 17 wards which shall be named Alexandra, Bixley, Bridge, California, Castle Hill, Gainsborough, Gipping, Holywells, Priory Heath, Rushmere, Sprites, St John's, St Margaret's, Stoke Park, Westgate, Whitehouse and Whitton

(2) Each ward shall comprise the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward shall be one (1)

Annual meeting of parish council

10. The annual meeting of the new parish council in 2027 shall be convened by the Monitoring Officer of Ipswich Borough Council. The meeting shall take place no later than 14 days after the day on which councillors elected to the new parish council take office.

Electoral Register

11. The registration officer for the Ipswich Borough Council 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.

Transfer of property, rights and liabilities

12. The land, property, rights and liabilities described in Schedules 1 and 2 shall transfer from Ipswich Borough Council to the Ipswich parish council on the date specified in column (2) of those Schedules.

Order date

13. 1 April 2027 is the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

sealed with the seal (or signed by authorised officers) of the Council on the 15th day of JULY 2026

Signature
KATE MCORRUM



SCHEDULE 1

LAND AND PROPERTY TO BE TRANSFERRED

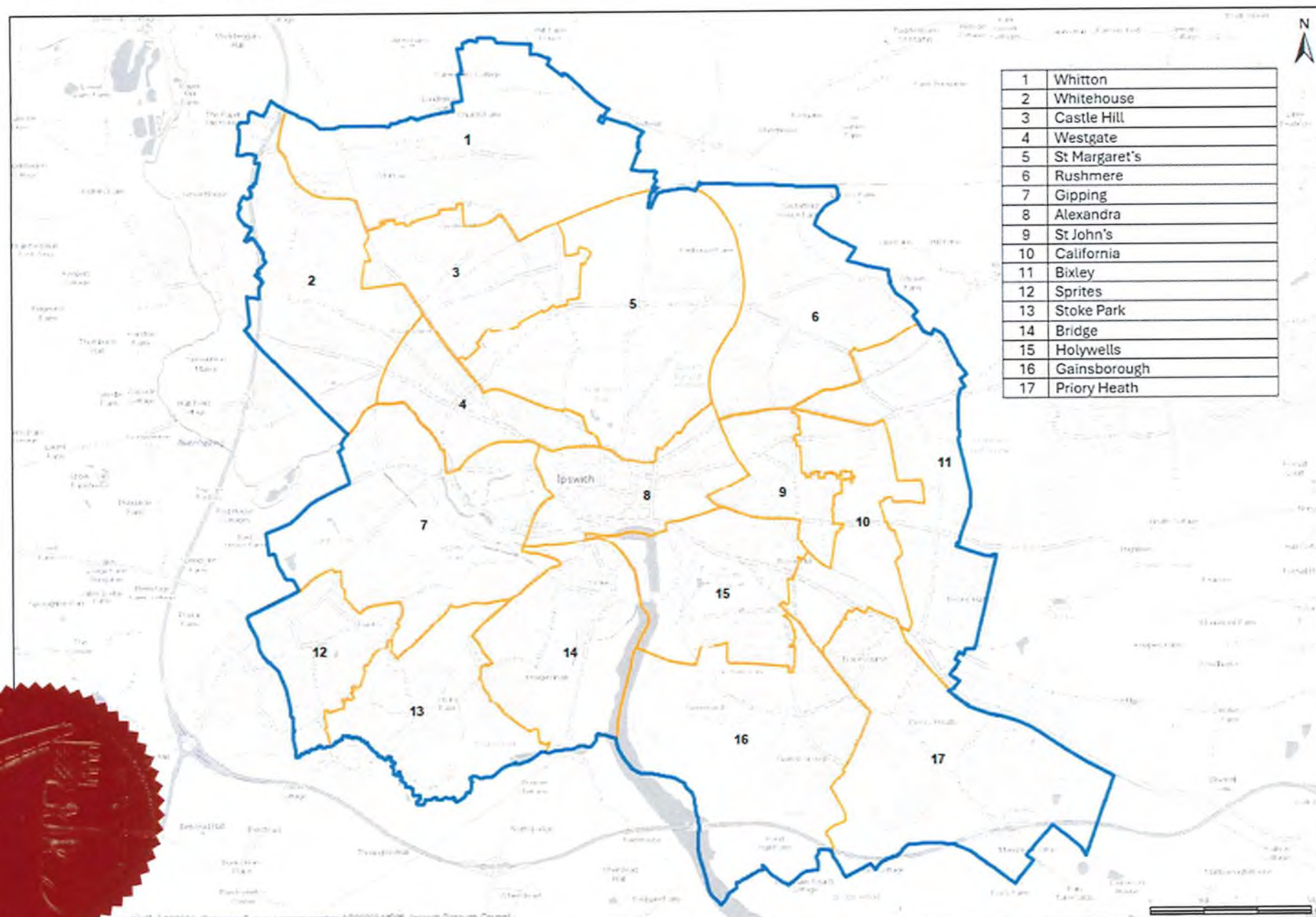
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SCHEDULE 2

HISTORICAL AND CEREMONIAL PROPERTY TO BE TRANSFERRED

THE IPSWICH CIVIC REGALIA CONSISTING OF: - Mayor's Chain and Badge of Office - Mayoress/Consort's Chain and Badge of Office - Deputy Mayor's Chain and Badge of Office - Deputy Mayor's Consort's Chain and Badge of Office - The Mayor and Deputy Mayor's Robes, Hats, Jabots and Gloves - Pair of Ceremonial Maces - The Ceremonial Sword and Scabbard - The Moot Horn - The Oar of the Water Bailiff - The Corporate Seal - The Bailiff's Seal - The Staple Seal	1 April 2028
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MAP REFERRED TO IN ORDER



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