

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

The Horsham District Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) (No. 3) Order 2026

Made 9th October 2026

Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

Horsham 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 28th September 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 and 240(10) of the 2007 Act.

Citation and commencement

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the Horsham District Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) (No. 3) Order 2026.
(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4) of this article, this Order comes into force on 1st April 2027.
(3) Articles 6 and 7 shall come into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2027.
(4) For the purposes of:
 - (a) this article,
 - (b) article 2,
 - (c) article 8, and
 - (d) proceedings preliminary or relating to the elections of parish councillors for the parishes of Henfield and Upper Beeding and Small Dole, 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—

"district" means the district of Horsham;

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

"map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the Horsham District Council

(Reorganisation of Community Governance) (No. 3) Order 2026” and deposited in accordance with section 96(4) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007;

“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.

Alteration of parish areas and the areas of parish wards

4. The area hatched and designated by the letter “E” on the map shall cease to be part of the parish of Henfield and the existing Small Dole ward of that parish and shall become part of the parish of Upper Beeding and the existing Small Dole ward of that parish.

Change of parish name

5. (1) The parish of Upper Beeding shall be named Upper Beeding and Small Dole.
(2) The parish council for the parish of Upper Beeding and Small Dole shall accordingly be named “The Parish Council of Upper Beeding and Small Dole”.

Number of parish councillors for the parish of Henfield

6. (1) The existing wards of the parish of Henfield shall be abolished.
(2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Henfield shall be fifteen (15).

Number of parish councillors for the parish of Upper Beeding and Small Dole and number of parish councillors for each ward

7. (1) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Upper Beeding and Small Dole shall be thirteen (13).
(2) The number of councillors to be elected for the Upper Beeding ward of the parish of Upper Beeding and Small Dole shall be ten (10) and for the Small Dole ward of that parish shall be three (3).

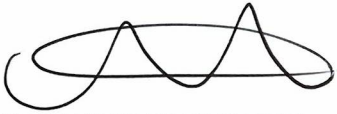
Electoral register

8. 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

9. 1st April 2027 is the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

Sealed with the seal of Horsham District Council on the 9th day of October 2026

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Authorised Signatory



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Horsham District Council for (i) the alteration of the parish areas of Henfield and Upper Beeding within the district of Horsham, (ii) a change of name of the parish of Upper Beeding and (iii) new electoral arrangements for the parishes of Henfield and Upper Beeding.

The parish areas will be altered and the change of name will take effect from 1st April 2027. The new electoral arrangements will apply in respect of parish elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2027.

Article 4 provides for the alteration of the parish areas of Henfield and Upper Beeding and the areas of the Small Dole ward of the parish of Henfield and the Small Dole ward of the parish of Upper Beeding.

Article 5 provides for the change of name of the parish of Upper Beeding.

Article 6 provides for the abolition of the existing wards of the parish of Henfield, with the total number of parish councillors to be elected remaining at fifteen (15).

Article 7 provides for a reduction in the total number of parish councillors to be elected for the parish of Upper Beeding and Small Dole to thirteen (13), with ten (10) being elected to the Upper Beeding ward and three (3) being elected to the Small Dole ward.

Article 8 obliges the electoral registration officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the changes made by the Order.

Article 9 provides for the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

The map defined in article 2 shows the alteration of the parish areas of Henfield and Upper Beeding. It is available, at all reasonable times, at the offices of Horsham District Council.

