STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 1267

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Ribble Valley (Electoral Changes) Order 2017

Made - - - - 13th December 2017
Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and (3)

Under section 58(4) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009(**1**) ("the Act") the Local Government Boundary Commission for England(**2**) ("the Commission") published a report dated August 2017 stating its recommendations for changes to the electoral arrangements for the borough of Ribble Valley. The Commission has decided to give effect to the recommendations.

A draft of the instrument has been laid before Parliament and a period of forty days has expired since the day on which it was laid and neither House has resolved that the instrument be not made.

The Commission makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 59(1) of the Act.

Citation, commencement and application

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Ribble Valley (Electoral Changes) Order 2017.

(2) This article and article 2 come into force on the day after the day on which this Order is made.

(3) Articles 3 and 4 come into force—

(a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of councillors, on the day after the day on which this Order is made;

(b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors(**3**) in 2019.

(**1**) 2009 c. 20.
(**2**) The Local Government Boundary Commission for England was established on 1st April 2010 by section 55(1) of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.
(**3**) The ordinary day of election of councillors in England and Wales is prescribed by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2), as amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c. 50).

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order, "the map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the Ribble Valley (Electoral Changes) Order 2017", held by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England(**4**).

(2) Where a boundary is shown on the map as running along a road, railway line, footway, watercourse or similar geographical feature, it is to be treated as running along the centre line of the feature.

Wards of Ribble Valley and number of councillors

3.—(1) The existing wards of the borough of Ribble Valley are abolished.

(2) The borough of Ribble Valley is divided into 26 wards as listed in the first column of the table in Schedule 1.

(3) Each ward comprises the area identified on the map by reference to the name of the ward.

(4) The number of councillors to be elected for each ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of the table in Schedule 1.

Wards of the parishes of Billington & Langho, Clitheroe and Whalley

4.—(1) The existing wards of the parishes of Billington & Langho, Clitheroe and Whalley are abolished.

(2) The parish of Billington and Langho is divided into the three parish wards listed in the first column of table 1 in Schedule 2.

(3) The parish of Clitheroe is divided into the five parish wards listed in the first column of table 2 in Schedule 2.

(4) The parish of Whalley is divided into the four parish wards listed in the first column of table 3 in Schedule 2.

(5) Each parish ward comprises the area identified on the map by reference to the name of the parish ward.

(6) The number of councillors to be elected for each parish ward is the number specified in relation to that ward in the second column of the relevant table in Schedule 2.

(**4**) Prints of the map are available for inspection at reasonable times at the principal office of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, 14th floor, Millbank Tower, London, SW1P 4QP. It is also accessible online at https://www.lgbce.org.uk/current-reviews/north-west/lancashire/ribble-valley

Sealed with the seal of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England

13th December 2017

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