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Secretary of State for the Home Department

PROPOSALS FOR REVISED ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DISTRICT
OF AYLESBURY VALE IN THE COUNTY OF BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

1. We, the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, having carried out our initial review of the electoral arrangements for the district of Aylesbury Vale in accordance with the requirements of section 63 of, and of Schedule 9 to, the Local Government Act 1972, present our proposals for the future electoral arrangements for that district.

2. In accordance with the procedure laid down in section 60(1) and (2) of the 1972 Act, notice was given on 19 August 1974 that we were to undertake this review. This was incorporated in a consultation letter addressed to the Aylesbury Vale District Council, copies of which were circulated to the Buckinghamshire County Council, Parish Councils and Parish Meetings in the district, the Members of Parliament for the constituencies concerned and the headquarters of the main political parties. Copies were also sent to the editors of the local newspapers circulating in the area and to the local government press. Notices inserted in the local press announced the start of the review and invited comments from members of the public and from any interested bodies.

3. Aylesbury Vale District Council were invited to prepare a draft scheme of representation for our consideration. In doing so, they were asked to observe the rules laid down in Schedule 11 to the Local Government Act 1972 and the guidelines which we set out in our Report No 6 about the proposed size of the council and the proposed number of councillors for each ward. They were asked also to take into account any views expressed to them following their consultations with local interests. We therefore asked that they should publish details of their provisional proposals about a month before they submitted their draft scheme to us, thus allowing an opportunity for local comment.

4. In accordance with section 7(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the District Council had exercised an option for a system of whole council elections.
5. On 13 February 1975 the Aylesbury Vale District Council presented their draft scheme of representation. The Council proposed to divide the area into 38 wards each returning 1, 2 or 3 members to form a council of 58, four more than at present.
6. We considered the comments sent to us and to the District Council following their publication of the draft scheme together with those of the proposals received by the District Council at an earlier stage in the preparation of the scheme which they had not felt able to adopt and incorporate in their submission.
7. The comments and proposals included suggestions as to the names of the proposed Stowe & North Marston wards, the grouping of the parishes in the proposed Tingewick and Marsh Gibbon wards and for separate representation for the parishes comprised in the proposed Weston Turville ward. On the evidence before us, we considered that there were sufficient grounds for acceding to the first two of these proposals and we decided to adopt them. Accordingly, we agreed that the proposed Stowe ward and the proposed North Marston ward should be named "Luffield Abbey" and "Hogshaw" respectively, that the parish of Adstock be transferred from the proposed Steeple Claydon ward to the proposed Winslow ward and that the parishes of Chetwode and Barton Hartshorn should be transferred from the proposed Tingewick ward to the proposed Marsh Gibbon ward.
8. In submitting their draft scheme, the District Council drew our attention to their proposal to include the parish of Hartwell in the proposed Southcourt ward of Aylesbury. Hartwell, the rural parish adjoining Aylesbury is the site of housing development spreading from the urban area which will produce approximately

500 electors in the parish by 1980. We received representations from several parish councils and a number of individual electors objecting to the inclusion of the parish of Hartwell in the proposed Southcourt ward. Suggestions were also made for an adjustment to the Hartwell parish boundary to exclude this area of development but the priority which must be given to electoral reviews prevents us from dealing with any alterations to parish boundaries at the present time. We did, however, agree to transfer the parish of Hartwell from the proposed Southcourt ward to the proposed Stone ward.

9. Subject to the changes referred to in the two preceding paragraphs we decided that the District Council's draft scheme provided a reasonable basis for the future electoral arrangements of the district and we formulated our draft proposals accordingly.

10. On 9 May 1975 we issued our draft proposals and these were sent to all who had received our consultation letter or had commented on the Council's draft scheme. The Council were asked to make these draft proposals, and the accompanying maps which defined the proposed ward boundaries, available for inspection at their main offices. Representations on our draft proposals were invited from those to whom they were circulated and, by public notices, from other members of the public and interested bodies. We asked that any comments should reach us by 7 July 1975.

11. The comments which we received in response to our draft proposals all related to the inclusion of the parish of Hartwell in the proposed Stone ward.

12. The District Council, the Parish Councils of Stone with Bishopstone and Cuddington, a local political party and a political group of district councillors all objected to our proposal.

13. An educational charity wrote to us supporting our proposals for this parish.

14. We noted the arguments put forward by the District Council about the new development being an extension of the town of Aylesbury and we understood the problems which faced the District Council when drawing up their draft scheme. We accept that the long-term solution is probably a change in the Hartwell parish boundary and it will be open to the District Council to make proposals to us at some future date and any such representations will be considered in the light of the Commission's work load and their priorities at that time. For the present, however, and in view of the fact that the building is not scheduled to be completed until 1979, we concluded that the parish of Hartwell with its existing inhabitants should be in a ward with its neighbouring parishes.

15. We decided that our draft proposals should be confirmed and that we should formulate our final proposals accordingly.

16. Details of these final proposals are set out in Schedule 1 to this report and on the attached maps. Schedule 1 gives the names of the wards and the number of councillors to be returned by each ward. The boundaries of the new wards are defined on the maps.

PUBLICATION

17. In accordance with section 60(5)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 a copy of this report and a copy of the maps are being sent to Aylesbury Vale District Council and will be made available for public inspection at the Council's main offices. Copies of this report (without maps) are also being sent to those who received the consultation letter and to those who made comments. A detailed

description of the boundaries of the proposed wards as defined on the maps is set out in Schedule 2 to this report.

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Signed

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17 July 1975

SCHEDULE I

AYLESBURY VALE DISTRICT: NAMES OF PROPOSED WARDS AND NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS

<u>NAME OF WARD</u>	<u>NO. OF COUNCILLORS</u>
ASTON CLINTON	2
AYLESBURY CENTRAL	1
BEDGROVE	3
BIERTON	1
BRILL	1
BUCKINGHAM NORTH	2
BUCKINGHAM SOUTH	2
CHEDDINGTON	1
EDDLESBOROUGH	1
ELMHURST	2
GATEHOUSE	2
GRANGE	2
GREAT BRICKHILL	1
GREAT HORWOOD	1
GRENDON UNDERWOOD	1
HADDENHAM	2
HOGSHAW	1
LONG CRENDON	1
LUFFIELD ABBEY	1
HANDEVILLE	3
MARSH GIBBON	1
MEADOWCROFT	2
NEWTON LONGVILLE	1
OAKFIELD	2
OAKLEY	1
PITSTONE	1
QUAINTON	1
SOUTHCOURT	3
STEEPLE CLAYDON	1
STEWKLEY	1
STONE	2
TINGEWICK	1
WADDESON	1
WENDOVER	3
WESTON TURVILLE	2
WING	1
WINGRAVE	1
WINSLOW	2

AYLESBURY VALE DISTRICT - DESCRIPTION OF WARDS

SCHEDULE II

NOTE: Where the boundary is described as following a road, railway, river, canal or similar feature, it should be deemed to follow the centre line of the feature unless otherwise stated.

SOUTHCOURT WARD

Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Hartwell CP meets the eastern boundary of Stone CP, thence northwestwards along said eastern boundary to the southern boundary of Quarrendon CP, thence northeastwards and following said southern boundary to the Railway Line running from northwest of the District to Aylesbury, thence southeastwards and following said railway line and the Aylesbury to Princes Risborough Railway Line to Old Stoke Road, thence southwestwards along said road to Chestnut Crescent, thence northwestwards and following said crescent to Carrington Road, thence southwestwards and following said road to Churchill Avenue, thence northwestwards along said avenue to a point opposite the southeastern boundary of Edinburgh Sports Ground, thence to and following along the said southeastern boundary and northwestwards along the southwestern boundary of the Sports Ground to grid ref SP 81296 12474, thence southwestwards to grid ref SP 81218 12390, thence westwards to grid ref SP 81150 12390 being a point on the eastern boundary of Hartwell CP, thence northwards and following the eastern and northern boundaries of the said parish to the point of commencement.

MANDEVILLE WARD

Commencing at a point where the eastern boundary of Hartwell CP meets the southern boundary of Southcourt Ward thence generally northeastwards and northwards along said southern boundary to the Aylesbury to Wendover railway line thence southeastwards and following said line to the northern boundary of Stoke Mandeville CP thence westwards and following said northern boundary to the eastern boundary of Stone CP thence northwestwards along said eastern boundary and the eastern boundary of Hartwell CP to the point of commencement.

GRANGE WARD

Commencing at a point where the northeastern boundary of Mandeville Ward meets Stoke Road, thence northeastwards along said road to Wendover Road, thence northwestwards along said road to Walton Road, thence northeastwards along said road to Tring Road, thence eastwards along said road to King Edward

Avenue, thence southwestwards along said avenue to a point opposite the section of Turnfurlong Lane to the northeast of the Playing Field, thence southeastwards to and along said Turnfurlong Lane to Camborne Avenue, thence southwestwards along said avenue and in prolongation thereof crossing Wendover Road to the northern boundary of Stoke Mandeville CP, thence northwestwards and following said northern boundary to the northeastern boundary of Mandeville Ward, thence northwestwards along said northeastern boundary to the point of commencement.

BEDGROVE WARD

Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Stoke Mandeville CP meets the eastern boundary of Grange Ward, thence northeastwards and following said eastern boundary to Tring Road, thence southeastwards along said road to the western boundary of Weston Turville CP, thence southwestwards and southeastwards and following said western boundary and the northern boundary of Stoke Mandeville CP to the point of commencement.

AYLESBURY CENTRAL

Commencing at a point where the northwestern boundary of Grange Ward meets the northeastern boundary of Mandeville Ward, thence northwestwards and following said northeastern boundary and the northeastern boundary of Southcourt Ward to Oxford Road, thence northeastwards along said road and Buckingham Road to New Street, thence southeastwards along said street to Cambridge Street, thence northeastwards along said street to Park Street, thence southeastwards and following said street to High Street, thence southeastwards along said street to the northwestern boundary of Grange Ward, thence southwestwards along said northwestern boundary to the point of commencement.

OAKFIELD WARD

Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Grange Ward meets the

northeastern boundary of Aylesbury Central Ward, thence northwestwards and following said northeastern boundary to Bierton Road, thence northeastwards along said road to the southwestern boundary of Bierton with Broughton CP, thence southeastwards to the northern boundary of Bedgrove Ward, thence northwestwards and following said northern boundary and the northern boundary of Grange Ward to the point of commencement.

GATEHOUSE WARD

Commencing at a point where the northwestern boundary of Aylesbury Central Ward meets the northeastern boundary of Southcourt Ward, thence northwestwards along said northeastern boundary to the Track leading northeastwards to Griffin Lane, thence northeastwards along said track and Griffin Lane to Bicester Road, thence northwestwards along said road to Stonehaven Road, thence northeastwards along said road to Coventon Road, thence eastwards and following said road to Meadowcroft, thence southeastwards along said road to Weedon Road, thence northeastwards along said road to Buckingham Road, thence southwards along said road to the northwestern boundary of Aylesbury Central Ward, thence southwestwards and following said northwestern ward to the point of commencement.

ELMHURST WARD

Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Aylesbury Central Ward meets the eastern boundary of Gatehouse Ward, thence northwards along said eastern boundary and continuing along Buckingham Road to the southern boundary of Weedon CP, thence eastwards and following said southern boundary to the western boundary of Bierton with Broughton CP, thence eastwards and following said western boundary to the northwestern boundary of Oakfield Ward, thence southwestwards along said northwestern boundary and continuing southwestwards and northwestwards along the northern boundary of Aylesbury Central Ward to the point of commencement.

MEADOWCROFT WARD

Commencing at a point where the northwestern boundary of Gatehouse Ward meets the northeastern boundary of Southcourt Ward, thence northwestwards along said northeastern boundary to the southern boundary of Quarrendon CP, thence north-eastwards and following said southern boundary and the southern boundary of Weedon CP to the western boundary of Elmhurst Ward, thence southwards along said western boundary to the northern boundary of Gatehouse Ward, thence southwestwards and following said northern boundary and the northwestern boundary of the said ward to the point of commencement.

TINGEWICK WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Turweston
 Biddlesden
 Westbury
 Shalstone
 Water Stratford
 Radclive-cum-Chackmore
 Tingewick

LUFFIELD ABBEY WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Stowe
 Luffield Abbey
 Lillingstone Lovell
 Lillingstone Dayrell
 Akeley
 Foscott
 Leckampstead
 Thornton
 Thornborough

BUCKINGHAM NORTH WARD

Comprising the North Ward of the parish of Buckingham and the parish of Maids Moreton.

BUCKINGHAM SOUTH WARD

The South Ward of the parish of Buckingham

GREAT HORWOOD WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Beachampton

Nash

Whaddon

Great Horwood

Little Horwood

NEWTON LONGVILLE WARD

The Parish of Newton Longville

MARSH GIBBON WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Barton Hartshorn

Chetwode

Preston Bissett

Hillesden

Poundon

Twyford

Marsh Gibbon

Charndon

STEEPLE CLAYDON WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Padbury

Steeple Claydon

WINSLOW WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Adstock
 Addington
 Winslow

HOGSHAW WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Middle Claydon
 East Claydon
 Hogshaw
 Granborough
 Swanbourne
 North Marston

STEWKLEY WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Hoggston
 Dunton
 Mursley
 Stewkley
 Drayton Parslow

GREAT BRICKHILL WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Stoke Hammond
 Soulbury
 Great Brickhill

GRENDON UNDERWOOD WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Ludgershall
 Kingswood
 Grendon Underwood
 Woodham
 Wotton Underwood
 Westcott

Ashendon

Edgcott

QUAINTON WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Quainton

Pitchcott

Oving

Whitchurch

Creslow

WINGRAVE WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Cublington

Aston Abbotts

Wingrave with Rowsham

WING WARD

The Parish of Wing

CHEDDINGTON WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Grove

Mentmore

Cheddington

Marsworth

PITSTONE WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Ivinghoe

Pitstone

EDLESBOROUGH WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Slapton

Edlesborough

BRILL WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Boarstall
Brill
Dorton
Chilton

OAKLEY WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Oakley
Worminghall
Ickford
Shabbington

LONG CRENDON WARD

The Parish of Long Crendon

WADDESDON WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Lower Winchendon
Upper Winchendon
Waddesdon
Fleet Marston
Quarrendon

BIERTON WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Hardwick
Weedon
Bierton with Broughton
Hulcott

STONE WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Chearsley
 Cuddington
 Dinton-with-Ford and Upton
 Stone
 Hartwell

WESTON TURVILLE WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Stoke Mandeville
 Weston Turville

HADDENHAM WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Haddenham
 Kingsey
 Aston Sandford

ASTON CLINTON WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Aston Clinton
 Buckland
 Drayton Beauchamp

WENDOVER WARD

Comprising the Parishes of: Halton
 Wendover