

**2007 No. 327**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND**

**The Rugby (Parish Electoral Arrangements and Electoral Changes) Order 2007**

*Made* - - - - - *8th February 2007*

*Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and 1(3)*

Rugby Borough Council, under section 9(a) of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997(b) (“the 1997 Act”), have made to the Electoral Commission(c) proposals dated October 2006 for electoral arrangements in the proposed parish of Cawston(d) and the parishes of Dunchurch(e) and Easenhall in the borough(f) of Rugby and for electoral changes to four wards of the borough of Rugby:

The Electoral Commission have decided to give effect to those proposals and, in relation to the changes affecting the parishes of Churchover, Dunchurch, and Newton and Biggin(g), to make related alterations of the boundaries of Admirals, Avon and Swift, Brownsover North, and Dunchurch and Knightlow wards of the borough of Rugby:

Accordingly, the Electoral Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 14(h) and 23(i) of the 1997 Act, make the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Rugby (Parish Electoral Arrangements and Electoral Changes) Order 2007.

(2) This Order, with the exception of article 7(1), comes into force—

- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007, on the day after that on which it is made;
- (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007.

(3) Article 7(1) comes into force—

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- (a) This section has been amended by the Local Government Commission for England (Transfer of Functions) Order 2001 (S.I. 2001/3962).
  - (b) 1997 c.29.
  - (c) The Electoral Commission was established by the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c.41). The functions of the Secretary of State, under sections 13, 14 and 17(4) of the 1997 Act (c.29), to the extent that they relate to electoral arrangements within the meaning of that Act, were transferred with modifications to the Electoral Commission on 1st April 2002 (S.I. 2001/3962).
  - (d) The parish of Cawston was created by the Rugby (Parishes) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/3470).
  - (e) The area of the parish of Dunchurch was altered by S.I. 2006/3470.
  - (f) The non-metropolitan district of Rugby has the status of a borough.
  - (g) The areas of the parishes of Churchover, and Newton and Biggin were altered by S.I. 2006/3470.
  - (h) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962 and also otherwise in ways not relevant to this Order.
  - (i) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

- (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2008, on 15th October 2007;
- (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2008.

## **Interpretation**

### **2. In this Order—**

“existing”, in relation to a parish ward, means the parish ward as it exists on the date this Order is made;

“map” means the map marked “Map referred to in the Rugby (Parish Electoral Arrangements and Electoral Changes) Order 2007”, of which prints are available for inspection at the principal office of the Electoral Commission;

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

“registration officer” means an officer appointed for the purpose of, and in accordance with, section 8(b) of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

## **Parish and borough elections**

**3.—(1)** The term of office of every parish councillor elected on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2004 for the parish of Easenhall shall be three years.

(2) Elections of all parish councillors for that parish shall be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007 and 2010(c).

(3) The term of office of every parish councillor elected on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007 for that parish shall be three years.

(4) Where any provision of an Order made before the making of this Order requires an election of parish councillors for the parish mentioned in paragraph (1) to be held on a date other than that for which paragraph (2) provides, it shall cease to have effect to that extent.

(5) The election of all parish councillors for the parish of Cawston shall be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007(d).

(6) The ordinary election of the borough councillor for Brownsover North ward of the borough of Rugby in 2007 shall not take place; and the borough councillor holding office immediately before 7th May 2007 who would, but for this paragraph, have retired on that date shall, unless he resigns his office or it otherwise becomes vacant, continue to hold office until the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2008.

(7) The election of the borough councillor for that borough ward shall be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2008 and 2011(e).

(8) The term of office of the borough councillor elected on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2008 for that borough ward shall be three years.

## **Number of parish councillors for the parish of Cawston**

**4.** The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Cawston shall be ten.

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(a) 1983 c.2, section 37 has been amended by section 18(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1985 (c.50) and section 17 of, and paragraphs 1 and 5 of Schedule 3 to, the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (c.29).

(b) Section 8 has been amended by the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994 (c.19) and the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c.39).

(c) Article 3 provides for parish elections in the parish of Easenhall in 2007 and 2010. Section 16(3) of the Local Government Act 1972 (c.70) provides for parish elections to take place every four years.

(d) Article 3 also provides for the parish election in the new parish of Cawston in 2007.

(e) Article 3 also provides for a borough election in Brownsover North borough ward in 2008.

### **Number of parish councillors for the parish of Dunchurch**

- 5.—(1) The existing wards(a) of the parish of Dunchurch shall be abolished.  
(2) The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Dunchurch shall be ten.

### **Number of parish councillors for the parish of Easenhall**

6. The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Easenhall shall be six.

### **Alteration of the areas of borough wards**

7.—(1) The area coloured and designated by the letter “A” on the map shall cease to be part of Avon and Swift borough ward(b) and shall become part of Brownsover North borough ward(c).

(2) The area coloured and designated by the letter “B” on the map shall cease to be part of Admirals borough ward(d) and shall become part of Dunchurch and Knightlow borough ward(e).

### **Map**

8. Rugby Borough Council shall make a print of the map available for inspection at its offices by any member of the public at any reasonable time.

### **Electoral register**

9. The registration officer for the borough of Rugby 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.

Sealed with the seal of the Electoral Commission on the 8th day of February 2007



8th February 2007

*Sam Younger*  
Chairman of the Commission

8th February 2007

*Jacqui Dixon*  
Secretary to the Commission

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(a) See the Borough of Rugby (Electoral Changes) (No. 2) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/3363).  
(b) See S.I. 2000/3363.  
(c) See S.I. 2000/3363.  
(d) See S.I. 2000/3363.  
(e) See S.I. 2000/3363.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order gives effect to proposals made to the Electoral Commission for electoral arrangements for the new parish of Cawston, created from part of the existing parish of Dunchurch within the borough of Rugby by the Rugby (Parishes) Order 2006, for changes to electoral arrangements for the parishes of Dunchurch and Easenhall, and for related alterations of the boundaries of Admirals, Avon and Swift, Brownsover North, and Dunchurch and Knightlow wards of the borough of Rugby.

The new electoral arrangements apply in respect of parish and borough elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2007.

Article 3 provides for parish elections in the parish of Easenhall in 2007 and 2010, and in the new parish of Cawston in 2007, and then for both parishes to continue according to the established system of parish elections every four years. Article 3 also provides for borough elections in Brownsover North ward of the borough of Rugby in 2008 and 2011.

Article 4 specifies the numbers of parish councillors for the new parish of Cawston.

Article 5 abolishes the existing wards of the altered parish of Dunchurch and specifies the numbers of parish councillors for that parish.

Article 6 specifies the numbers of parish councillors for the parish of Easenhall.

Article 7 makes alterations to the areas of Admirals, Avon and Swift, Brownsover North, and Dunchurch and Knightlow wards of the borough of Rugby.

Article 9 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

The map defined in article 2 shows alterations to the areas of Admirals, Avon and Swift, Brownsover North, and Dunchurch and Knightlow wards of the borough of Rugby. It is available at [www.electoralcommission.org.uk/your-area/ParishEAOrders.cfm](http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/your-area/ParishEAOrders.cfm) and, at all reasonable times, at the offices of Rugby Borough Council and at the principal office of the Electoral Commission at Trevelyan House, Great Peter Street, London SW1P 2HW.