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PROPOSALS FOR FUTURE ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF WINDSOR AND MAIDENHEAD IN THE ROYAL COUNTY OF BERKSHIRE

- 1. We, the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, having carried out our initial review of the electoral arrangements for the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, in accordance with the requirements of section 63 of, and 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 November 1976 that we were to undertake this review. This was incorporated in a consultation letter addressed to Windser and Maidenhead Borough Council, copies of which were circulated to Berkshire County Council, town councils, parish councils and parish meetings in the district, the Member of Parliament for the constituency 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 of 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 interested bodies.
- 3. Windsor and Maidenhead Borough Council were invited to prepare a draft scheme of representation for our consideration. When doing so, they were asked to observe the rules laid down in Schedule 11 to the Local Government Act 1972, and the guidelines 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 also asked to take into account views expressed to them following their consultation 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. The Council have not passed a resolution under section 7(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972. The provisions of section 7(6) will therefore apply and the elections of all district councillors will be held simultaneously.
- 5. On 8 July 1977, the Borough Council presented their draft scheme of representation. The Council proposed to divide the area of the borough into 22 wards, each returning 1, 2 or 3 members to form a council of 58 members.
- 6. We considered the draft scheme together with copies of the correspondence received by the Borough Council during the preparation of the scheme and after its-publication, as well as the comments we had received direct. A local political party submitted to us an alternative scheme providing for 58 single member wards. The majority of the remaining 29 representations, including a petition bearing 200 signatures, contained objections to the Borough Council's suggested arrangements for the parish of Bray and the Boyn Hill area.
- 7. We noted that the alternative scheme offered a standard of representation inferior to that offered by the draft scheme. We considered a number of possible changes to the draft scheme in the light of particular comments made but, subject to some minor adjustments to the alignment of various ward boundaries suggested by Ordnance Survey, we decided that the Borough Council's draft scheme provided a reasonable basis for the future electoral arrangements for the borough in compliance with the rules in Schedule 11 to the 1972 Act and our guidelines, and we formulated our draft proposals accordingly.
- 8. On 1 November 1977 we issued our draft proposals and these were sent to all who had received our consultation letter or had commented on the Borough Council's draft scheme. The Council were asked to make a copy of the draft proposals and the accompanying maps, which defined the 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 comments should reach us by 30 December 1977.
- 9. Windsor and Maidenhead Borough Council accepted our draft proposals.

Berkshire County Council pointed out that there would be some difficulty in achieving compatibility with potential county electoral divisions but offerred no formal objection. Bisham Parish Council supported our draft proposals in relation to the proposed Bisham and Coolcham ward.

- 10. Two local residents and a petition bearing 33 signatures repeated earlier objections made to the proposed Boyn Hill ward. The objectors felt that local ties would be better preserved if the existing eastern boundary of Boyn Hill ward were retained. In order to maintain an even standard of representation they suggested that the southern boundary of the proposed ward should also be redrawn. We examined these alternative ward boundaries and noted that the standard of representation would not be inferior to that achieved by our draft proposals. We also recognised that strong local opposition to the proposed Boyn Hill ward had been expressed. We therefore decided that we should modify our draft proposals in this respect.
- 11. A local community association suggested that the residential development area of the parish of White Waltham, known as Woodlands Park, should be joined with the Cox Green area of the parish of Bray to form a district ward called Lowbrook. The suggested ward boundaries followed no existing parish boundaries and were not readily identifiable on the ground. We therefore decided that it was not feasible to pursue the community association's suggestions.
- 12. The local political party which had submitted an alternative scheme to us reiterated their preference for single member wards and asked us to reconsider our draft proposals. They were supported in this by a local political association. As already noted, this scheme offered an inferior standard of representation and we did not therefore feel able to adopt it.
- 13. Bray Parish Council maintained their objection to the proposed Clewer North ward, which grouped the Dedworth area of the parish of Bray with the Clewer North ward of Windsor. The local political party, the local political association and the executive committee of another local political association also submitted adverse comments on the boundaries of a number of wards proposed by us. After

careful consideration, however, we decided it would not be in the interests of effective and convenient local government to modify our draft proposals to meet any of these points.

- 14. Subject to the modification referred to in paragraph 10 above, we therefore decided to confirm our draft proposals as our final proposals.
- 15. In order to implement these proposals it was necessary for a Warding Order to be made by the Borough Council in relation to the parish of Bray. This Order was made on 30 November 1979.
- 16. Details of our final proposals are set out in Schedules 1 and 2 to this report.

 Schedule 1 gives the names of the wards and the number of councillors to be returned by each. Schedule 2 is a description of the areas of the new wards. The boundaries of the new wards are shown on the attached 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 Windsor and Maidenhead Borough Council and will be 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.

Signed:

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BOROUGH OF WINDSOR AND MAIDENHEAD: NAMES OF PROPOSED WARDS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

NAME OF WARD	NO. OF COUNCILLORS
Belmont	3
Bisham and Cookham	. 3
Boyn Hill	3
Bray	3
Castle	2
Clewer North	3
Clewer South	2
Cox Green	3
Datchet	. 2
Eton North and South	1
Eton West	1
Furze Platt	3
Horton and Wraysbury	. 2
Hurley	3
Oldfield	3
Old Windsor	3
Park	3
Pinkneys Green	3
St Mary's	. 3
Sunningdale and South Ascot	3
Sunninghill	3
Trinity	3

R L BOROUGH OF WINDSOR AND MAIDENHEAD DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WARD BOUNDARIES

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.

ST MARYS WARD

Commencing at a point where the southern boundary of Cookham CP meets the eastern boundary of the borough, thence southwards along said borough boundary to Maidenhead Bridge, thence westwards along said bridge and Bridge Road to a point opposite Moorbridge Road, thence southwestwards to and along said road and continuing southwestwards along Bridge Street and High Street to Market Street, thence northwards along said street and continuing northwestwards along Cookham Road to the unnamed road to the north of No 202 Cookham Road, thence northeastwards along said unnamed road to a point opposite the rear boundary of No 9 Barn Close, thence northwards to and along said rear boundary, and the rear boundaries of Nos 7-3 Barn Close, thence northwards in a straight line to the rear boundary of No 64 Aldebury Road, thence northwards along said rear boundary, and the rear boundaries of Nos 66-80 Aldebury Road, 2-14 West Mead to the northeastern corner of the last mentioned property, thence due northeast to the unnamed track which leads to Cookham Road, thence northwards, southwestwards and southwards along said track to the access road fronting Nos 240 to 234 Cookham Road, thence southeastwards and southwestwards along said road to Cookham Road, thence northwestwards along said road to the Maidenhead to Cookham railway line, thence northeastwards along said railway line to the southern boundary of Cookham CP, thence generally eastwards along said parish boundary to the point of commencement.

OLDFIELD WARD

Commencing at a point where the southern boundary of St Mary's Ward meets the eastern boundary of the borough, thence southwards along said borough boundary to the northern boundary of Bray CP, thence southwestwards along said parish boundary to the A423 (Motorway), thence northwestwards along said motorway

to the Reading to Maidenhead railway, thence northeastwards along said railway to a point where the Maidenhead to Cookham railway leaves the Reading to Maidenhead railway, thence generally northwestwards along said Maidenhead to Cookham railway to the road known as Castle Hill, thence eastwards along Castle Hill and High Street to the southern boundary of St Mary's Ward, thence eastwards along said ward boundary to the point of commencement.

FURZE PLATT WARD

Commencing at a point where the southern boundary of Cookham CP meets the western boundary of St Mary's Ward, thence generally southwards, northeastwards, southwards, southwards and southwards along said ward boundary to Harrow Lane, thence southwestwards along said lane and Linden Avenue, crossing Courthouse Road, to and westwards along Oaken Grove to a point

opposite the eastern boundary of No 1 Oaken Grove, thence southwards to and along said boundary to the rear boundary of said property, thence westwards along said boundary to the eastern boundary of No 3 said grove, thence southwestwards along said boundary to the rear boundary of No 5 said grove, thence westwards along the rear boundaries of Nos 5-29 Oaken Grove, across the access way to Oaken Grove Recreation Ground and continuing westwards along the rear boundaries of Nos 31-73 Oaken Grove to the western boundary of the last mentioned property, thence northwestwards along said western boundary to Oaken Grove, thence southwestwards along said grove to Clarefield Road, thence northwestwards along said road to a point opposite the southeastern boundary of No 2 Clarefield Road, thence northeastwards to and along said southeastern boundary to the rear boundary of No 2 Clarefield Road, thence northwestwards along the rear boundaries of Nos 2 and 4 said road to the northwestern boundary of No 4 Clarefield Road, thence southwestwards along said northwestern boundary, the northwestern end of Clarefield Road, the northwestern boundary of the access road to lock up garages, the northwestern boundary of said garages and in prolongation thereof to the rear boundary of No 59 Lincoln Road, thence generally southwestwards along the rear boundaries of Nos 59-11 Lincoln Road to the eastern boundary of No 29 Clarefield Drive, thence northwestwards along said eastern boundary, the eastern end of Clarefield Drive, the eastern boundary of No 24 Clarefield Drive, the rear boundaries of Nos 7 and 6 Clarefield Close and the eastern boundary of Clarefield Court Hospital to Marlow Road, thence northeastwards along said road and continuing northeastwards and southeastwards along Furze Platt Road to Switchback Road, thence eastwards along said road to a point opposite the western boundary of No 1 Switchback Road, thence northwards to and along said western boundary, the northwestern boundary of No 3 Switchback Lane, the rear boundaries of Nos 33-79 Cannon Court Road to the northwestern corner of the last mentioned property, thence northwestwards in a straight line to the southwestern corner of No 97 Cannon Court Road, thence northwestwards along the rear boundaries of Nos 97-107 Cannon Court Road and in prolongation thereof to the southern boundary of

Cookham CP, thence northeastwards along said parish boundary to the point of commencement.

BELMONT WARD

Commencing at a point where the western boundary of St Mary's Ward meets the northern boundary of Oldfield Ward, thence southwestwards along said morthern boundary and continuing southwestwards along Bath Road to Courthouse Road, thence northwestwards and northeastwards along said road to the southern boundary of Furze Platt Ward, thence generally eastwards along said ward boundary to the western boundary of St Mary's Ward, thence southeastwards along said ward boundary to the point of commencement.

PINKNEYS GREEN WARD

Commencing at a point where the southern boundary of Furze Platt Ward meets the western boundary of Belmont Ward, thence southwestwards and southeastwards along said western boundary to Bath Road, thence generally southwestwards along said road to the eastern boundary of White Waltham CP, thence northwestwards along said parish boundary to and northwestwards and northeastwards—along the eastern boundary of Bisham CP to the southern boundary of Cookham CP, thence generally southeastwards along said parish boundary to the western boundary of Furze Platt Ward, thence southwards, southwestwards and southeastwards along said ward boundary to the southern boundary of said ward, thence generally eastwards along said ward boundary to the point of commencement.

BOYN HILL WARD

Commencing at a point where the southern boundary of Belmont Ward meets the western boundary of Oldfield Ward, thence generally southeastwards and southwestwards, along said ward boundary

to the A423(M), thence northwestwards along said motorway to the southern boundary of Pinkneys Green Ward, thence generally eastwards along said

ward boundary to and northeastwards along the southern boundary of Belmont Ward to the point of commencement.

COX GREEN WARD

The CoxGreen ward of the parish of Bray and that area bounded by a line commencing at a point where the southwestern boundary of Oldfield Ward meets the northern boundary of Bray CP, thence southwestwards and northwestwards along said parish boundary to the eastern boundary of White Waltham CP, thence northwards and northwestwards along said parish boundary to the southern boundary of Pinkneys Green Ward, thence northeastwards along said ward boundary to the southwestern boundary of Boyn Hill Ward, thence southeastwards along said ward boundary and the southwestern boundary of Oldfield Ward to the point of commencement.

CLEWER NORTH WARD

The Dedworth ward of the parish of Bray and that area bounded by a line commencing at a point where the eastern boundary of Bray CP meets the northern boundary of the borough, thence eastwards and northeastwards along said borough boundary to a point due north of National Grid Reference SU 9493777094, thence due south to said point, being in Maidenhead Road, thence southwestwards along said road to a point opposite the western boundary of No 191 Maidenhead Road, thence southwestwards to and along said boundary to the rear boundary of said property, thence southeastwards along said boundary to the rear boundary of the eastern block of garages adjacent to the northern boundary of No 154 Vale Road, thence southwestwards along said boundary and the rear boundaries of Nos 154-102 Vale Road and in prolongation thereof to the southern boundary of the Cemetery, thence southeastwards along said boundary and the southern boundary of the Allotment Gardens to the western boundary of the Clewer Memorial Recreation Ground, thence generally southwards along said western boundary to Dedworth Road, thence southwestwards and northwestwards along said road to the eastern boundary of Bray CP, thence northwards along said parish boundary

to the point of commencement.

CLEWER SOUTH WARD

Commencing at the point where the eastern boundary of Bray CP meets the southern boundary of Clewer North Ward, thence southeastwards and northeastwards along said ward boundary to a point opposite the eastern boundary of No 69 to 75 Dedworth Road, thence southwestwards to and along said boundary to the northern boundary of No 1 St Andrew's Avenue, thence eastwards along said boundary to the rear boundary of said property, thence southwestwards along said boundary and the rear boundaries of Nos 3 to 29 St Andrew's Avenue to the northern boundary of the Allotment Gardens, thence northwestwards along said boundary to and southwestwards, southeastwards and again southwestwards along the western boundary of said allotment gardens to the rear boundary of No 5 Bell View Close, thence southwestwards and northwestwards along the rear boundaries of Nos 5 to 10 Bell View Close to the rear boundary of No 13 Bell View, thence southwestwards along said boundary and the rear boundaries of Nos 15 to 45 Bell View to the southwestern boundary of the last mentioned property, thence northwestwards along said boundary to the rear boundary of No 47 Bell View, thence southwestwards and northwestwards along said boundary and the southwestern boundary of said property to the road known as Bell View, thence southwestwards along said road to Clewer Hill Road, thence southeastwards along said road to a point opposite the rear boundary of No 2 Rycroft, thence southwestwards to and along said boundary and the rear boundaries of Nos 4 to 20 Rycroft to the rear boundary of No 2 Rydings, thence northwestwards along said boundary and the rear boundaries of Nos 4 to 16 Rydings to the northwestern boundary of the last mentioned property, thence southwestwards along said boundary to the northeastern boundary of No 18 Rydings, thence northwestwards along said boundary to the rear boundary of said property, thence southwestwards along said boundary and the rear boundaries of Nos 20 to 40 Rydings to the rear

boundary of No 52 Perrycroft, thence northwestwards along said boundary and the rear boundaries of Nos 54 to 76 Perrycroft to the northwestern boundary of the last mentioned property, thence southwestwards along said boundary to its end, thence southwestwards in a straight line to the northernmost corner of No 147 Perrycroft, thence southwestwards along the northwestern boundary of said property to the fence, being the continuation of the rear boundary of said property, leading towards Wolf Lane at a point east of No 56 Wolf Lane, thence northwestwards along said fence and in prolongation thereof to Wolf Lane, thence southwestwards along said lane to the unnamed road to the northeast of No 101 Wolf Lane, thence southeastwards along said unnamed road to the footpath leading to the road known as St Leonard's Hill thence southwestwards along said footpath to said road, thence southwestwards along said road to the unnamed road which leads westwards to St Leonard's Farm, thence westwards along said unnamed road to the eastern boundary of Bray CP, thence northwards along said CP boundary to the point of commencement.

PARK WARD

Commencing at the point where the northwestern boundary of Old Windsor CP meets the southwestern boundary of the Borough, thence northwards along said borough boundary and the eastern boundary of Bray CP to the southern boundary of Clewer South Ward, thence generally northeastwards along said ward boundary to Clewer Hill Road, thence southeastwards along said road to St Leonard's Road, thence generally eastwards and northeastwards along said road to Victoria Street, thence westwards along said street to Sheet Street, thence northwards along said street to a point opposite the northern boundary of No 17 Sheet Street, thence eastwards to and generally eastwards along said boundary to the northern boundary of parcel No 9657 as shown on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SU 9676, Edition of 1957, thence generally southeastwards along said boundary and the northern boundary of Parcel No 9955 and continuing along the northern boundary of Parcel No 0155, as shown on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SU 9776, Edition of 1956, and in

prolongation thereof to the road known as The Long Walk, thence southwest-wards along said road to Albert Road, thence southeastwards along said road to the northwestern boundary of Old Windsor CP, thence generally southwestwards and northwestwards along said CP boundary to the point of commencement.

TRINITY WARD

Commencing at the point where the northern boundary of Park Ward meets the eastern boundary of Clewer South Ward, thence northwestwards and generally northeastwards along said eastern boundary to Dedworth Road, thence northeastwards and southeastwards along said road and Clarence Road to the northern boundary of Park Ward, thence southwestwards, generally westwards and northwestwards along said northern boundary to the point of commencement.

CASTLE WARD

Commencing at the point where the eastern boundary of Clewer North Ward meets the northern boundary of the Borough, thence northwards along said borough boundary to the southern boundary of Eton CP, thence generally southeastwards and generally northeastwards along said CP boundary to the western boundary of Datchet CP, thence southeastwards and southwestwards along said CP boundary to a point due east of the northernmost corner of the Lodge lying north of Southlea Road and to the west of Albert Bridge, thence due west through said corner to Prince Albert's Walk, thence southwestwards along said walk and Evergreen Oak Avenue to the unnamed road to the northeast of the Royal Gardens, thence southeastwards along said road through Frogmore Garden Gate to Southlea Road, thence southwards and southeastwards along said road to the northwestern boundary of Old Windsor CP, thence generally southwestwards along said parish boundary to the northern boundary of Park Ward, thence northwestwards, northwards and westwards along said ward boundary and continuing westwards along the northern boundary of Trinity Ward to the eastern boundary of Clewer North Ward, thence generally northwards along said eastern boundary to the point of commencement.

OLD WINDSOR WARD

The parish of Old Windsor and that area bounded by a line commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Old Windsor CP meets the eastern boundary of Castle Ward, thence northwestwards and northeastwards along said ward boundary to the western boundary of Datchet CP, thence generally southwards along said parish boundary to the northern boundary of Old Windsor CP, thence southwestwards along said parish boundary to the point of commencement.

BISHAM AND COOKHAM WARD

The parishes of Bisham

Cookham

BRAY WARD

The Bray Village, Holyport and Oakley Green and Fifield Wards of the parish of Bray.

DATCHET WARD

The parish of Datchet

ETON WEST WARD

The West Ward of the parish of Eton.

ETON NORTH AND SOUTH WARD

The North and South Wards of the parish of Eton.

: HORTON AND WRAYSBURY WARD

The parishes of Horton

Wraysbury

HURLEY WARD

The parishes of Hurley

Shottesbrooke

Waltham St Lawrence

White Waltham

SUNNINGDALE AND SOUTH ASCOT WARD

The parish of Sunningdale and the South Ascot Ward of the parish of Sunninghill.

SUNNINGHILL WARD

The Sunninghill and Ascot Wards of the parish of Sunninghill.