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Secretary of State for the Home Department

PROPOSALS FOR REVISED ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE BOROUGH
OF BARROW-IN-FURNESS IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBRIA

1. We, the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, having carried out our initial review of the electoral arrangements for the borough of Barrow-in-Furness 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 borough.
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 Barrow-in-Furness Borough Council, copies of which were circulated to Cumbria County Council, the Member of Parliament for the Barrow-in-Furness Constituency 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 any interested bodies.
3. Barrow-in-Furness Borough 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 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 passed a resolution under section 7(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 for a system of elections by thirds.
5. On 20 February 1975, Barrow-in-Furness Borough Council presented their draft scheme of representation. The Council, which at present has 33 members, proposed to divide the area into 13 wards each returning 3 members to form a council of 39. The Council had given local publicity to their draft scheme, inviting comments. None were received.
6. We considered the Council's draft scheme, and concluded that it met, for the most part, the requirements of Schedule 11 to the Local Government Act 1972 and the guidelines set out in our Report No 6, but that the electorate of the proposed Barrow Island ward did not justify representation by 3 councillors. We decided to modify the scheme by reducing the representation of this ward from 3 to 2 members. We also made a number of minor amendments, proposed by Ordnance Survey in the interests of securing better boundaries.
7. On 8 July 1975, we issued our draft proposals and these were sent to all who had received our consultation letter or had expressed an interest. The Council were asked to make these draft proposals, and the accompanying map 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, by public notices, from members of the public and interested bodies. We asked that any comments should reach us by 16 September 1975.
8. The Borough Council suggested that a few of our boundary realignments might cause inconvenience to present or future residents in certain areas and alternative realignments were suggested.
9. We also received a comment seeking the perpetuation of an existing village name through the re-naming of one of the newly created wards.

10. We reviewed our draft proposals in the light of the representations we had received. We consulted Ordnance Survey and noted that they saw no objection to the boundary modifications proposed by the Borough Council and we decided to adopt them. We considered the representation relating to the change of name of one of the proposed wards, but could find insufficient grounds for making the change and decided that the proposed ward names should remain as in our draft proposals.

11. We hereby confirm our draft proposals as our final proposals except for the boundary realignments referred to above.

12. Details of these final proposals are set out in Schedules 1 to 3 to this report and on the attached map. Schedule 1 gives the names of the wards and the number of councillors to be returned by each ward and Schedule 2 sets out our proposals for the order of retirement of councillors. The boundaries of the new wards are defined on the map.

PUBLICATION

13. In accordance with Section 60(5)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, a copy of this report and a copy of the map are being sent to the Barrow-in-Furness Borough Council, and will be available for public inspection at the Council's main offices. Copies of this report 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 map, is set out in Schedule 3 to this report.

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Signed

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16 October 1975

BOROUGH OF BARROW-IN-FURNESS : NAMES OF PROPOSED WARDS
AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

<u>NAME OF WARD</u>	<u>NO OF COUNCILLORS</u>
BARROW ISLAND	2
CENTRAL	3
DALTON NORTH	3
DALTON SOUTH	3
HAWCOAT	3
HINDPOOL	3
NEWBARNES	3
ORMSGILL	3
PARKSIDE	3
RISEDALE	3
ROOSECOTE	3
WALNEY NORTH	3
WALNEY SOUTH	3

BOROUGH OF BARROW-IN-FURNESS

ELECTION BY THIRDS - ORDER OF RETIREMENT

NAME OF WARD	NO OF COUNCILLORS	ORDER OF RETIREMENT		
		YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3
BARROW ISLAND	2	-	1	1
CENTRAL	3	1	1	1
DALTON NORTH	3	1	1	1
DALTON SOUTH	3	1	1	1
HAWCOAT	3	1	1	1
HINDPOOL	3	1	1	1
NEWBARNES	3	1	1	1
ORMSGILL	3	1	1	1
PARKSIDE	3	1	1	1
RISEDALE	3	1	1	1
ROOSECOTE	3	1	1	1
WALNEY NORTH	3	1	1	1
WALNEY SOUTH	3	1	1	1
		12	13	13

BARROW-IN-FURNESS DISTRICT: 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.

DALTON NORTH WARD

Commencing at a point where the railway meets Hawthwaite Lane, thence southwestwards and following said lane to Oak Lea Road, thence southeastwards along said road to a point opposite the southern boundary of Parcel No 7054 on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SD 20-2174 Edition of 1970, thence northwestwards and northeastwards to and along said boundary and the western boundary of said parcel to the southern boundary of Parcel No 5272, thence northwestwards along said boundary and southwestwards along the southern boundaries of Parcel Nos 2667 and 0054 and the southern boundary of Parcel No 0054 on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SD 18-1974 Edition of 1969, to the eastern boundary of Parcel No 0018, thence southeastwards along said boundary and the eastern boundary of Parcel No 0018 on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SD 20-2174 Edition of 1970, thence southwestwards along the southern boundary of said parcel and Parcel No 0018 on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SD 18-1974 Edition of 1969, and along the southern boundary of Parcel No 7519, to the northern boundary of Parcel No 7300, continuing southwestwards along said northern boundary, and the western boundary of said parcel and Parcel Nos 7300, 7597, 7288, 7177 & 6871 on Ordnance Survey Plan SD 18-1973 Edition of 1970 to the northern boundary of the Chemical Factory, thence northwestwards along said boundary to the western boundary of Parcel No 5078, thence due west to the boundary of the district, thence northeastwards and following the said boundary, to the eastern boundary of the area of water known as Standing Tarn, thence northeastwards and following the said boundary to the western boundary of Parcel No 2642 on Ordnance Survey Plan SD 24-2574 Edition of 1967 thence northwestwards along said boundary to Urswick Road, thence northwestwards and following said road to the A590, thence southwestwards along said road to a point opposite the western boundary of the

dismantled railway, thence northwestwards to and along said western boundary to Broughton Road, thence southwestwards along said road and Market Street to the road known as Skelgate, thence northwestwards along said road and Askam Road, to the road known as St Helen's, thence northwestwards and following said road to Hawthwaite Lane thence southwestwards along said road to the point of commencement.

WALNEY NORTH WARD

Commencing at a point where Jubilee Bridge meets the road known as Promenade, thence northwards along said road to Central Drive, thence westwards and following said drive and Sandy Gap Lane, to Sandy Gap thence due west to the District boundary thence northwestwards and following said boundary to the southern boundary of Dalton North Ward, thence due east along ^{said} boundary to the Mean High Water mark thence generally southwards along said MHW mark to Jubilee Bridge, thence southwestwards along said bridge to the point of commencement.

ORMSGILL WARD

Commencing at a point where Matlock Road meets Oxford Street thence southwestwards along Oxford Street to Ainslie Street, thence northwestwards along said street to Rutland Street, thence southwestwards along said street and in prolongation thereof to the railway, thence northwestwards along said railway to the unnamed road leading westwards from the junction of Ormsgill Lane with ^{*}Walney Road, thence due west to the eastern boundary of the Walney North Ward, thence northwards and following said ward boundary to the southern boundary of Dalton North Ward, thence eastwards and following said ward boundary to the southeastern corner of Parcel No 7054 on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SD 20-2174 Edition of 1970, thence southwestwards in a straight line to the southwestern corner of Parcel No 1394 on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan

SD 2071 Edition of 1956, thence southwards in a straight line to the northwest corner of Parcel No 1479, thence along the western boundary of said parcel and parcel numbers 1569, 1657, 1748 and the eastern boundary of the cemetery to Devonshire Road, continuing southwards along said road to Derbyshire Road, thence northeastwards and following said road to Harrogate Street, thence northeastwards along said street to Matlock Road, thence southeastwards along said road to the point of commencement.

HAWCOAT WARD

Commencing at a point where Hawcoat Lane meets Abbey Road, thence northwestwards along said lane to Oxford Street, thence southwestwards along said street to the eastern boundary of Ormsgill Ward, thence northwestwards and following said ward boundary to the southern boundary of Dalton North Ward, thence northwestwards and following said ward boundary to the railway, thence southwards along said railway to Goldmire Beck, thence southwestwards and following said beck and Mill Beck to Barrow Road, thence southwestwards along said road and Abbey Road to the point of commencement.

DALTON SOUTH WARD

Commencing at a point where Barrow Road meets the eastern boundary of Hawcoat Ward, thence northwards and following said boundary to the southern boundary of Dalton North Ward, thence northeastwards and following said boundary to the eastern boundary of the District, thence westwards and following the said District boundary to the southern boundary of Parcel No 1957 on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SD 24-2571 Edition of 1968, thence westwards along said boundary crossing Greystone Lane, thence along the southern boundary of Parcel No 0057, and the southern boundaries of Parcel Nos 0057, 6259, 4757, 3860 and 2265 on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SD 22-2371 Edition of 1968, and in prolongation thereof to the northern

boundary of Parcel No 0939, continuing westwards along the said boundary and southwards along the western boundary of said parcel to the southern boundary of Parcel No 0351, thence westwards along said boundary and ^{the} southern boundary of Parcel No 9252 to the western boundary of said parcel, thence northwestwards along said boundary and the western boundaries of Parcel Nos 8262, 7579, 7192, 7800, 6900 and continuing along western boundaries of Parcel Nos 6900, 7214, 7332 on Ordnance Survey 1:2500 Plan SD 22-2372 Edition of 1968 crossing Parkhouse Road to the northern boundary of Parcel No 4530, thence westwards along said boundary and southern boundary of Parcel No 3548 to the western boundary of said parcel, thence continuing westwards in a straight line to the southernmost corner of Parcel No 0842 and in continuation thereof to the track leading from Abbot's Wood House to Barrow Road, at the southwestern side of Mill Brow Lodge thence northwestwards and following said track to Barrow Road, thence southwestwards along said road to the point of commencement.

ROOSECOTE WARD

Commencing at a point where the southern boundary of Dalton South Ward meets the eastern boundary of the District, thence southwestwards and following said boundary and the southern boundary of the district to the centre point of Piel Channel at low water, thence northwestwards in a straight line to North West Point on Piel Island, thence due north in a straight line to the centre of Piel Channel at low water, thence northwestwards and following said channel and Walney Channel to a point due southwest of the centre of the lock gates to the Dock Basin which leads to Ramsden Dock thence northeastwards to and southeastwards along said gates to the HWMNT, thence southwestwards and following said HWMNT to a point in line with the eastern boundary of Cavendish Dock, thence northwards to and along said boundary and in prolongation thereof to the railway, thence southwestwards and generally northwestwards along said railway to a point opposite Roose Road, thence northeastwards to and along said road to the railway, thence northeastwards and following the railway to the eastern boundary of Hawcoat Ward, thence northeastwards

along said boundary to the western boundary of Dalton South Ward, thence southeastwards and following said boundary and the southern boundary of said ward to the point of commencement.

NEWBARNES WARD

Commencing at a point where Hollow Lane meets the eastern boundary of Hawcoat Ward, thence northeastwards along said boundary to the western boundary of Roosecote Ward, thence southwestwards and following said boundary to Friars Lane, thence northwards and following said Lane to Bridgegate Avenue, thence westwards and following said avenue to a point opposite the eastern boundary of the playing fields which lie to the east of Lesh Lane, thence northwestwards to and along said boundary and southwestwards along the northern boundary to the eastern boundary of No 74 Fairfield Lane thence northwestwards along said boundary to the rear boundary of No 80 Fairfield Lane thence northeastwards and northwestwards along said boundary and the eastern boundary of said property to Fairfield Lane, thence northeastwards along said lane to Hollow Lane, thence northwestwards along said lane to the point of commencement.

PARKSIDE WARD

Commencing at a point where Greengate Street crosses the railway, thence northwestwards along said railway to the southeastern boundary of Ormsgill Ward, thence northeastwards along said boundary and the southeastern boundary of Hawcoat Ward to the western boundary of Newbarnes Ward, thence southeastwards along said ward boundary to Bridgegate Avenue, thence southwestwards along said avenue to Park Drive, thence southeastwards along said drive to Greengate Street, thence southwestwards along said street to the point of commencement.

HINDPOOL WARD

Commencing at the point where St Vincent Street meets Hindpool Road thence southeastwards along said road to Michaelson Road, thence southwestwards

along said road to a point opposite the northern boundary of Devonshire Dock, thence northwestwards to and along said boundary, southwestwards along the western boundary of said dock and generally northwestwards along the northern boundary of the dock entrance basin to the western boundary of Walney North Ward. Thence generally northwards along said boundary to the western boundary of Ormsgill Ward thence eastwards and following said boundary and the western boundary of Parkside Ward to a point in line with Cavendish Street, thence southwestwards to and along said street to St Vincent Street, continuing southwestwards along said street to the point of commencement.

CENTRAL WARD

Commencing at a point where the southeastern boundary of Parkside Ward meets the railway, thence southeastwards along said railway to a point opposite the northern corner of Foundry Street thence southwestwards to Foundry Street, and southeastwards and following said street to Salthouse Road, thence southwestwards along said road to Cavendish Dock Road, thence southeastwards along said road to a point opposite the eastern boundary of the Railwaymen's Club, thence southwestwards to and along said boundary and in continuation thereof to the northern boundary of Buccleuch Dock, thence northwestwards along said boundary and in prolongation thereof to the eastern boundary of Hindpool Ward, thence northeastwards and following said boundary of Parkside Ward, thence southeastwards along said boundary to the point of commencement.

RISEDALE WARD

Commencing at the point where the northeastern boundary of Central Ward meets the southeastern boundary of Parkside Ward thence northeastwards and following said boundary and the western boundary of Newbarns Ward and the western boundary of Roosecote Ward to the northwestern boundary of Cavendish Dock thence southwestwards

to and along said boundary to the southwestern boundary of said dock, thence continuing southwestwards in a straight line to Grid Reference SD 2055068326 being a point on the southeastern boundary of Buccleuch Dock, thence north-eastwards and following said boundary and continuing along the northeastern boundary of said dock to the southeastern boundary of Central Ward; thence northeastwards and following said boundary and continuing along the northeastern boundary of said ward to the point of commencement.

BARROW ISLAND WARD

Commencing at a point where the eastern boundary of Walney North Ward meets the southern boundary of Hindpool Ward, thence southeastwards along said boundary and the southwestern boundary of Central Ward and southern boundary of Risedale Ward to the western boundary of Roosecote Ward, thence southeastwards and following said ward boundary to Walney Channel, thence northwestwards along said channel to the eastern boundary of Walney North Ward, thence northwestwards and following said eastern boundary to the point of commencement.

WALNEY SOUTH WARD

Commencing at a point where the western boundary of the District meets the southern boundary of Walney North Ward, thence eastwards and following said said southern boundary to the western boundary of Barrow Island Ward, thence southeastwards along said western boundary and the western boundary of Roosecote Ward to the boundary of the District, thence southeastwards and following said boundary to the point of commencement.