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To the Rt Hon Roy Jenkins, MP
Secretary of State for the Home Department

PROPOSALS FOR REVISED ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DISTRICT
OF PENDLE IN THE COUNTY OF LANCASHIRE

1. We, the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, having carried out our initial review of the electoral arrangements for the district of Pendle in accordance with the requirements of section 63 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 13 May 1974 that we were to undertake this review. This was incorporated in a consultation letter addressed to the Pendle District Council, copies of which were circulated to the Lancashire 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. Pendle 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 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. On 30 September 1974 the Pendle District Council presented their draft scheme of representation. In accordance with section 7(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, they had exercised an option for elections by thirds and they proposed to divide the area of the district into 19 wards each returning 1 or 3 members to form a council of 51, the same as the existing council.

5. Following publication of their provisional proposals two suggested modifications were submitted: one from a Parish Council which considered that the electorate of the parish would be sufficiently large in five years' time to warrant making the parish a single-member ward in its own right; and one from a private individual suggesting an alternative name for one of the proposed wards.

6. We considered the draft scheme together with the proposed modifications. In the case of the modifications we considered that there was insufficient evidence to warrant their adoption and accordingly we decided to reject them. We looked into the possibility of adapting the draft scheme so as to secure greater equality of representation, and decided to propose one alteration which achieved this aim. After consulting Ordnance Survey, we made some minor adjustments to the alignment of some of the boundaries in order to secure boundary lines which were more readily identifiable on the ground. We decided to adopt the ward names suggested by the Council. We then formulated our draft proposals accordingly.

7. On 11 November 1974 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 January 1975.

8. One comment recorded local support for the draft proposals. The Pendle District Council also supported the draft proposals subject to a minor adjustment to one boundary involving no electors.

9. The Parish Council which had made representations to us earlier about separate representation of their parish made the same proposals to us again. No new evidence had been adduced in support of the Parish Council's case and having considered the matter again we concluded that our previous decision should not be altered.

10. We considered that the minor adjustment to one boundary suggested to us by Pendle District Council should be adopted and, subject to this amendment, we decided to confirm our draft proposals as our final proposals.

11. Details of these final proposals are set out in Schedules 1 and 2 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. Schedule 2 shows our proposals for the initial order of retirement of councillors and our suggestions for the alteration of the year of election of parish councils in 2 wards which comprise parishes. The boundaries of the new wards are defined on the maps.

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12. 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 Pendle District 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 maps, is set out in Schedule 3 to this report.

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Signed

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30 January 1975

SCHEDULE 1

DISTRICT OF PENDLE: NAMES OF PROPOSED WARDS AND
NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

<u>NAME OF WARD</u>	<u>NO. OF COUNCILLORS</u>
BARROWFORD	3
BOULSWORTH	3
BRADLEY	3
BRIERFIELD	3
CLOVER HILL	3
COATES	3
CRAVEN	3
EARBY	3
FENCE	1
FOULRIDGE	1
HORSFIELD	3
MARSDEN	3
PENDLESIDE	1
REEDLEY	3
SOUTHFIELD	3
VIVARY BRIDGE	3
WALVERDEN	3
WATERSIDE	3
WHITEFIELD	3

DISTRICT OF PENDLE: ORDER OF RETIREMENT OF COUNCILLORS

	No. of Councillors representing Ward	1978	1979	1980
Barrowford	3	1	1	1
Boulsworth	3	1	1	1
Bradley	3	1	1	1
Brierfield	3	1	1	1
Clover Hill	3	1	1	1
Coates	3	1	1	1
Craven	3	1	1	1
Earby	3	1	1	1
Fence	1	1 PE		
Foulridge	1		1	
Horsfield	3	1	1	1
Marsden	3	1	1	1
Pendleside	1			1 PE
Reedley	3	1	1	1
Southfield	3	1	1	1
Vivary Bridge	3	1	1	1
Walverden	3	1	1	1
Waterside	3	1	1	1
Whitefield	3	1	1	1
		17	17	17

PE = wards in which the year of election of parish councils of parishes included in the wards should be altered.

DISTRICT OF PENDLE: DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WARD BOUNDARIES

COATES WARD

Commencing on the northeastern boundary of the District at its intersection with the southern boundary of Bracewell Parish thence eastwards and southwards following the District boundary to the western boundary of Parcel No 5900 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 88/8947 Rev 1962 thence continuing southwards following said boundary to the northernmost corner of Salterforth Parish thence southwards and southwestwards following the western boundary of said parish to the junction of Ben Lane and Rainhall Crescent thence southwestwards along said crescent crossing Long Ing Bridge and continuing along Long Ing Lane to a footpath leading to Valley Road thence northwestward along said footpath and Valley Road to Wellhouse Road thence southwestwards along said road and Station Road to Skipton Road thence northwards along said road and Gisburn Road to Dam Head Bridge thence generally westwards and southwards along Butts Beck to the Weir thence westwards in a straight line to Butts Road thence northwards along said road and generally westwards and northwestward following a Track and Footpath leading to New House to the point of intersection with the eastern boundary of Brogden Parish thence continuing generally northward following said boundary to the southern boundary of Bracewell Parish thence generally northeastwards northwards and eastwards following said boundary to the point of commencement.

EARBY WARD

Commencing at a point where the eastern boundary of Coates Ward meets the eastern boundary of the District, thence generally southeastwards following the District boundary to Hawkshaw Road thence southwestwards along said road to a point opposite the northernmost corner of Parcel No 8860 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 92/9343 Edt 1972 thence continuing southwestwards to and along the northwestern boundaries of said parcel and Parcel Nos 6846-5434-4128-3300-2114-0913-0014 on said plans and Parcel Nos 0014-8500-7500 and 5907 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 90/9143 Edt 1972 to the northern boundary of Foulridge Parish thence generally westwards following said

boundary to the western boundary of Salterforth Parish thence generally northwards following said western boundary and eastern boundary of Coates Ward to the point of commencement.

FOULRIDGE WARD

The Ward comprises so much of the District as is contained within the Parish of Foulridge.

VIVARY BRIDGE WARD

Commencing at a point where the eastern boundary of Blacko Parish meets the southern boundary of Foulridge Ward, thence generally eastwards following said southern boundary to Skipton New Road (A56) at Kirk Bridge thence southwards along said road, Langroyd Road and Windy Bank to Church Street thence southwestwards along said street, Albert Road and Primet Hill to Leach Street thence northwestward along said street to a stream being a tributary of Colne Water thence westwards and southwestwards along said stream to the eastern boundary of Parcel No 3283 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 86/8739 Edt 1962 thence northwards westwards and northwestwards along the eastern and northern boundaries of said parcel and eastern boundary of Parcel No 1600 to Wanless Water thence north eastwards along said water to Barrowford Road thence westwards along said road to a point opposite the southwestern corner of Parcel No 2425 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 86/8740 Edt 1967 thence northwestward to and along the southwestern boundary of said parcel and Parcel No 1939 to the eastern boundary of Parcel No 9531 thence southwestwards along said eastern boundary and in prolongation thereof to the Towing Path of the Leeds Liverpool Canal thence southwards along said path to a footpath leading to Francis Avenue thence northwestward along said footpath to the western boundary of Parcel No 7832 thence northeastwards along the western boundary of said parcel and Parcel No 9257 and continuing northwestwards along the western boundary of Parcel No 9681 and in prolongation thereof to the eastern boundary of

Blacko Parish in Red Lane thence generally northwards following said eastern boundary to the point of commencement.

HORSFIELD WARD

Commencing on the southern boundary of Foulridge Ward where it crosses Brown Hill Lane thence southwards along said lane to Castle Road thence eastward along said road to Venables Avenue thence southwards along said Avenue to Byron Road thence eastwards and southwards along said road to Keighley Road thence westwards along said road and Market Street to the eastern boundary of Vivary Bridge Ward thence northwards along said eastern boundary to the southern boundary of Foulridge Ward thence eastwards along said southern boundary to the point of commencement.

WATERSIDE WARD

Commencing on the southern boundary of Horsfield Ward at the junction of Keighley Road with Carry Lane, thence generally southwards and southeastwards along said lane and Coal Pit Lane to a point opposite the northeast corner of Parcel No 0048 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 90/9139 Rev 1961 thence southwestwards along the northwest boundary of said parcel and southeastern boundaries of Parcels 0058-8737-8626 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 88/8939 Edt 1963, thence northwestwards along the southwestern boundary of last mentioned parcel to the southeastern boundary of Parcel No 8026 thence southwestwards along the southeastern boundary of said parcel and Parcel No 6517 to a stream being a tributary of Church Clough Brook thence westwards along said stream to Church Clough Brook thence westwards along the southern boundaries of Parcel Nos 3510-2705 and continuing westwards and southwards along a stream to an access road from Lenches Road to Birchenlee thence northwards along said access road to a point opposite the southern boundary of Parcel No 0006 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 88/8938 Edt 1963 thence generally southwestwards to and along said boundary and the southern boundary of Parcel No 7884 to Southfield Lane thence southwards along said lane to a point opposite the southern boundary of Parcel No 4200 thence to and

generally northwestward along said boundary to the access road to Higher Knotts thence southwards along said road to a stream, generally northwestwards following said stream to its end thence continuing to the northern boundary of Parcel No 1789 at its junction with the eastern boundary of Parcel No 0800 thence westwards and southwestward along the northern boundary of Parcel No 1789 to the northeastern boundary of Parcel No 0078 thence northwestwards along said boundary to the northwestern boundary of Parcel No 0085 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 88/8938 Edt 1961 thence southwestwards along the northern boundary of said parcel to the northeastern boundary of Parcel No 0072 thence northwestwards along said boundary to a footpath leading to Gib Hill Road thence southwards along said footpath to a footpath leading to Bott House Lane thence northwestwards along said footpath and Bott House Lane to Burnley Road thence southwards along said road to Junction Street thence northwestward along said street to the extension northeastwards of Regent Street thence southwestwards along the said extension to a point opposite Swinden Clough thence northwestwards to and along said Clough to Colne Water thence generally northwards along Colne Water to a point opposite a tributary known as Wanless Water thence generally northeastwards to and along Wanless Water to the southern boundary of Vivary Bridge Ward thence generally eastwards following the said southern boundary and southern boundary of Horsefield Ward to the point of commencement.

BRADLEY WARD

Commencing on the southern boundary of Waterside Ward in Burnley Road, thence southwestward along said road to Leeds Road and Hildrop Road; thence southeastwards along said road to the Railway; thence southwestwards along said Railway to Sagar Street thence northwestwards along said street to Hibson Street thence southwestwards along the said street to Railway Street thence generally northwestwards along the said street and Scotland Road to Reedyford North Bridge thence eastwards and northeastwards along Pendle Water to Colne Water thence generally eastwards along Colne Water to the western boundary of Waterside Ward, thence generally southeastward following said western boundary to the point of commencement.

MARSDEN WARD

Commencing on the southeastern boundary of Bradley Ward at the junction of Hildrop Road with Leeds Road thence northeastwards following said southeastern boundary to the southern boundary of Waterside Ward thence generally eastwards following said boundary to a stream known as Fox Clough thence southwards along said clough to the northeast corner of the buildings known as Fox Clough thence following the northeastern wall of said building and in prolongation thereof to the northern boundary of Parcel No 5855 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 88/8938 Edt 1963 thence southwestward and southeastwards along the northern and western boundaries of said Parcel to the northern boundary of Parcel No 7137 thence southwestwards southeastwards and eastwards along the northern, western and southern boundaries of said Parcel to the eastern boundary of Parcel No 0018 thence southeastwards along said eastern boundary, the eastern boundary of Parcel No 9130 and again eastern boundary of Parcel No 0018 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 90/9138 Rev 1961 to the western boundary of Parcel No 1700 thence southwards along said boundary on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 90/9137 Rev 1961 and crossing Burnley Road to the western boundary of Parcel No 2572 thence continuing southwards along the western boundary of said parcel and Parcels No 2550 and 3200 to the northern boundary of Parcel No 1826 thence westwards southwards and eastwards along the northern western and southern boundaries of said parcel to the western boundary of Parcel No 3200 thence southwards and eastwards along the western and southern boundaries of said parcel on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 90/9136 Rev 1961 and continuing along the southern boundaries of Parcels 4100-5200-6200-7300 to the northeastern boundary of Parcel No 0005 at Deerstones thence southwestwards along said boundary and northeastern boundary of Parcel No 4333 to Back Lane thence northwestward along said lane to Delves Lane thence generally westwards along said lane to Southfield Lane thence southwards along said lane to Barkerhouse Road thence generally northwestwards along said road to Hendon Road thence northwards along said road to Hallam Road thence westwards along said road to the eastern boundary of Bradley ward;

thence westwards along said ward boundary to the point of commencement.

BOULSWORTH WARD

Commencing at a point where the southern boundary of Earby Ward meets the eastern boundary of the District thence generally southeastwards southwestwards and northwestward following the eastern and southern boundaries of the District to Back Lane thence northwards along said lane to the southeastern boundary of Marsden Ward thence generally northwards following the southeastern and eastern boundaries of Marsden Ward and eastwards and northwards along the southern and eastern boundaries of Waterside Ward, Horsfield Ward and Foulridge Ward to the southern boundary of Earby Ward thence generally northeastwards following said boundary to the point of commencement.

WHITEFIELD WARD

Commencing on the western boundary of Bradley Ward at Reedford North Bridge thence generally southwards following said western boundary to the junction of Leeds Road and Railway Street thence southwards along Railway Street to Hibson Street thence northeastwards along said street to Sagar Street thence southeastwards along said street to Netherfield Road thence southwestwards along said road and Hibson Road to Cobden Street thence westwards along said street to Lomeshay Road thence northwestward along said road to Manchester Road thence southwestwards along said road to a point opposite the access road to Hollin Lodge thence to and along said access road and in continuation thereof to the Leeds and Liverpool Canal thence eastwards along said canal to a point opposite Edge End Brook thence northwards to and along the said Brook to the point where it sinks thence in a straight line to the point where the said brook issues and following same to Pendle Water being the eastern boundary of Old Laund Booth Parish thence eastwards and northwards following said parish boundary and continuing eastwards northwards and again eastwards along Pendle Water to the western boundary of Bradley Ward at Reedford North Bridge being the point of commencement.

WALVERDEN WARD

Commencing at the junction of Sagar Street and Netherfield Road on the southeastern boundary of Whitefield Ward thence northeastwards along Netherfield Road to Brook Street thence southeastwards along said street to Chapel House Road thence southwestwards along said road to Halifax Road thence northwestwards along said road to Hill Place thence southwestwards along said place and Hibson Road to Edge End Lane thence northwestwards along said lane to a point opposite the southeastern curtilage of No 7 Edge End Lane thence southwestwards northwestwards and northeastwards following the southeastern southwestern and northwestern curtilages of properties 7-3 Edge End Lane and thence in a straight line to the southeast corner of property known as Edgend House thence following the southern curtilage to the southwest corner of said property and continuing in a straight line to Edge End Brook thence generally northwestwards along said brook to a point opposite the eastern boundary of Parcel No 1300 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 84/8536 Edt 1961 thence generally north-eastwards and northwestward following said boundary and in continuation thereof to the railway line thence southwestwards along said railway to a point being a prolongation southeastwards of the northeast boundary of property known as 137 Colne Road thence northwestwards along said prolongation and said northeastern boundary to Colne Road thence northeastward along said road to the southeastern boundary of Whitefield Ward thence continuing generally northeastwards following said boundary to the point of commencement.

BRIERFIELD WARD

Commencing in Walverden Road on the eastern boundary of Walverden Ward at a point opposite the northern curtilage of No 51 Walverden Road thence southeastwards to and along said curtilage to the western boundary of Parcel No 7857 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 84/8536 Edt 1961 thence generally northwards along said western boundary and western boundary of Parcel No 7465 thence southeastwards along the northern boundaries of Parcel No 7465-

7857-0052 on 1:2500 Ordnance Survey Plan SD 86/8736 Edt 1962 to the north-east corner of last mentioned parcel thence northeastwards following a footpath to Halifax Road thence southeastwards along said road to King's Causeway thence westwards along said Causeway and Halifax Road to Burnley Road thence southwards along said road to the eastern boundary of Reedley Hallows Parish thence westwards and northwards along the said eastern boundary and eastern boundary of Old Laund Booth Parish to the southwestern boundary of Whitefield Ward thence generally southeastwards following said southwestern boundary and southwestern and southeastern boundary of Walverden Ward to the point of commencement.

CLOVERHILL WARD

Commencing at a point where Chapel House Road crosses Walverden Water on the eastern boundary of Walverden Ward thence generally southeastwards following said Water to the weir at the northernmost corner of Walverden Reservoir thence northeastwards along the top of the weir to the northeast boundary of the reservoir thence southeastward following said northeast boundary to the southern boundary of the District thence generally northwestwards and southwestwards following the said District boundary to Halifax Road thence northwestwards along said road to the easternmost point of Brierfield Ward thence continuing northwestwards following the northern boundary of said Ward to the eastern boundary of Walverden Ward thence northeastwards following said boundary to the point of commencement.

SOUTHFIELD WARD

Commencing at a point on the railway where the eastern boundary of Bradley Ward meets the southern boundary of Marsden Ward thence southeastwards following said southern boundary and southwards following the western boundary of Boulsworth Ward to the southern boundary of the District thence generally northwards and westwards following said District boundary to the northeastern boundary of Cloverhill Ward thence northwestwards following said boundary,

northeast boundary of Walverden Ward and eastern boundary of Whitefield Ward to the south eastern boundary of Bradley Ward thence northeastwards following said eastern boundary to the point of commencement.

REEDLEY WARD

Commencing at the junction of Burnley Road and Halifax Road on the southern boundary of Brierfield Ward thence eastwards following said boundary and southern boundary of Cloverhill Ward to the southern boundary of the District thence generally southwestwards and northwestwards following said District boundary to the western boundary of Reedley Hallows Parish thence generally northwards northeastwards and southeastwards following the western and northern boundaries of said parish to the western boundary of Brierfield Ward thence southwards eastwards and northwards following the western and southern boundaries of said ward to the point of commencement.

FENCE WARD

The Ward comprises so much of the District as is contained within the Parishes of Higham-with-West Close Booth and Old Laund Booth.

BARROWFORD WARD

Commencing at the intersection of the northwestern boundary of Bradley Ward with the northern boundary of Whitefield Ward at Reedford North Bridge thence generally westwards and southwards following the western boundary of Whitefield Ward to the eastern boundary of Old Laund Booth Parish thence northwestwards northeastwards and eastwards following the northeastern boundary of Old Laund Parish eastern boundary of Roughlee Booth Parish and southern boundary of Blacko Parish to the western boundary of Vivary Bridge Ward thence generally southwards and southwestwards following the western boundary of Vivary Bridge Ward the western boundary of Waterside Ward and north western boundary of Bradley Ward to the point of commencement.

PENDLESIDE WARD

The Ward comprises so much of the District as is contained within the Parishes of Blacko, Roughlee Booth, Barley-with-Wheatley Booth, and Goldshaw Booth.

CRAVEN WARD

Commencing ^{at} a point where the western boundary of Coates Ward meets the northeastern boundary of the District in Hell Forest Dike thence generally southwestwards and eastwards following the western and southern boundaries of Coates Ward southwestwards following western boundary of Farby Ward and generally westwards and northwards following the northern boundaries of Foulridge Ward and Pendleside Ward to the western boundary of the District thence generally northwards northeastwards and southwards following the western, northern and eastern boundary of the District to the point of commencement.