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Dear Mr Fuller

31 December 1980

COUNTY ELECTORAL REVIEW : WARWICKSHIRE - REPORT No. 409

1. I refer to your letter of 17 December and enclosure concerning corrections to Report No. 409 on the County of Warwickshire.

2. We agree with your suggested corrections and I am setting out below a list of amendments which should be made to the report.

3. (1) Report, Paragraph 9(d) : Warwick District

Lines 1 and 2: Delete "Sherburne". Insert "Sherbourne".

(2) Report, Paragraph 10(b) : Stratford-on-Avon District

Line 10: Delete "use". Insert "us".

(3) Report, Paragraph 10(c) : Warwick District

Line 2: Delete "Sherburne". Insert "Sherbourne".

(4) Appendix 1 : Warwick District

Line 1: Delete "Sherburne". Insert "Sherbourne".

(5) Schedule 1 : Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough

Line 12: Delete "Nicholas". Insert "Nicolas".

(6) Schedule 1

Insert the following immediately below "Nuneaton Whitestone" :

" RUGBY BOROUGH

Dunchurch
Earl Craven
Fosse
Rugby Bilton
Rugby Caldecott
Rugby Central
Rugby Eastlands
Rugby Hillmorton
Rugby North
Rugby Overslade
Rugby West "

(7) Schedule 1 : Stratford-on-Avon District

Delete "Kington" in line 3 and insert it immediately below "Henley-in-Arden".

(8) Annex A, Page 1

Delete "ANNEX A" at the top of the page. Insert "SCHEDULE 2".

(9) Schedule 2, Page 2 : Redworth Heath ED

Line 1: Insert "Borough" before "Ward".

(10) Schedule 2, Page 7 : Harbury ED

Line 1: Delete "Ward". Insert "Wards".

(11) Schedule 2, Page 8 : Southam ED

Delete "Long Itchington" in line 3 and insert it immediately above "Napton Priors".

(12) Schedule 2, Page 9 : Warwick District

Line 2: Delete "Warwick District". Insert "District of Warwick".

Line 2: Insert "1979" after "Order".

Line 3: Delete "come". Insert "comes".

4. I should be grateful if you would arrange for your copy of the report to be amended as above. We do not intend to send a copy of this letter to all those who received a copy of the report but we shall be notifying the Home Office, Rugby Borough Council, all Parish Councils/Meetings and Joint Parish Councils in Rugby Borough, and J F Pawsey Esq. (MP for Rugby).

Yours sincerely

R. W. Taylor

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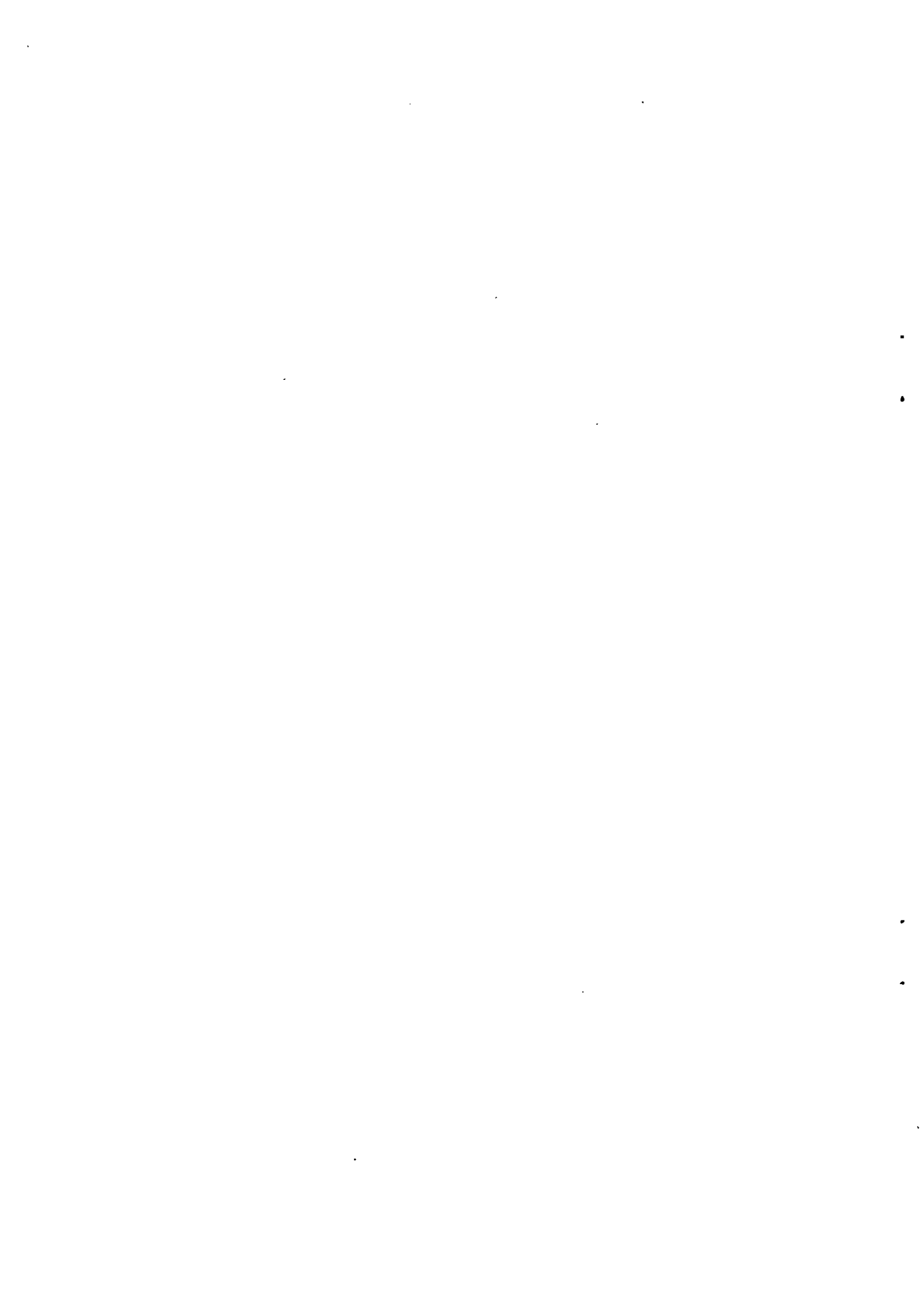
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To the Rt Hon William Whitelaw CH MC MP
Secretary of State for the Home Department

PROPOSALS FOR THE FUTURE ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE COUNTY OF WARWICKSHIRE

1. The last Order under Section 51 of the Local Government Act 1972 in relation to electoral arrangements for districts in the County of Warwickshire was made on 18 October 1979. As required by Section 63 and Schedule 9 of the Act, we have now reviewed the electoral arrangements for that county, using the procedures we had set out in our Report No 6.
2. We informed the Warwickshire County Council in a consultation letter dated 17 December 1979 that we proposed to conduct the review, and sent copies of the letter to the district and borough councils, town and parish councils and parish meetings in the county, to the Members of Parliament representing the constituencies concerned, to the headquarters of the main political parties and to the editors both of local papers circulating in the county and of the local government press. Notices inserted in the local press announced the start of the review.
3. On 15 May 1980 the County Council submitted to us a draft scheme in which they suggested 62 electoral divisions for the county, each returning one member in accordance with Section 6(2)(a) of the Act.
4. We considered this scheme together with the views expressed by local interests. On 19 August 1980 we issued draft proposals which we sent to all those who had received our consultation letter or commented on the County Council's draft scheme. Notices were inserted in the local press announcing that the draft proposals had been issued and could be inspected at the County Council's offices.
5. We incorporated the County Council's draft scheme in our draft proposals subject to the following amendments:
 - (a) Rugby Borough
We adopted Rugby Labour Party's alternative scheme for the whole of Rugby Borough.

(b) Stratford-on-Avon District

We transferred the parish/district ward of Long Itchington from the proposed Harbury division to the proposed Southam division to accord with the strongly expressed views of the inhabitants of Long Itchington.

(c) Warwick District

We changed the name of the proposed Warwick Tachbrook division to Warwick South.

6. In making the modification described in paragraph 5(b) above we recognised the uneven standard of electoral representation between the two divisions concerned as a result of the change and said we would be glad to consider any alternative arrangements which, while meeting the local objection to the County Council's draft scheme, would improve numerically on our draft proposals.

7. We received comments in response to our draft proposals from the Warwickshire County Council, two borough councils, seventeen parish councils, one town council, three political organisations and one county councillor. A list of those who wrote to us is given at Appendix 1 to this report.

8. The Warwickshire County Council accepted our amendments to their draft scheme and forwarded to us their observations on certain issues arising from the draft proposals, which are set out later in this report under the relevant district headings.

9. The other comments we received can be summarised, district by district, as follows:

(a) Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough

Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council supported our draft proposals.

(b) Rugby Borough

Rugby Labour Party supported our draft proposals. Rugby Borough Council forwarded alternative suggestions for three divisions, only one of which they had made previously following publication of the County Council's draft scheme. Newton and Biggin Parish Council repeated their objection to the grouping of

their parish with Brownsover. Thurlaston Parish Council suggested that the name Thurlaston should be retained as part of the title of the proposed Dunchurch division. Wolston Parish Council objected to the name Earl Craven and suggested that this division should be called Wolston.

(c) Stratford-on-Avon District

Stratford-upon-Avon Town Council supported our draft proposals. The County Council, Stratford-on-Avon District Council, Burton Dassett Parish Council, Gaydon Parish Council, Radway Parish Council and the Chairman of the County Council, Major R B Kettle, responded to our request to find an alternative designed to improve the standard of representation achieved under the draft proposals resulting from the transfer of Long Itchington. They all suggested transferring the Burton Dassett district ward from Kineton division to the depleted Harbury division. Stratford-on-Avon District Council gave their support to this suggestion indirectly, through the County Council. Wellesbourne Parish Council objected to the inclusion of Quinton in the Wellesbourne division and thought that the Kineton district ward should be included instead. This view was shared by Newbold Pacey and Ashorne Parish Council. Kineton Parish Council wanted to retain their links with Wellesbourne as did the Kineton Conservative Branch of the Stratford-upon-Avon and South Warwickshire Conservative and Unionist Association. Combrook Parish Council too referred to their links with Wellesbourne. Admington Parish Council favoured removing their parish, and certain nearby parishes, from the Wellesbourne division and combining them with parts of the adjoining Shipston-on-Stour and Bidford-on-Avon divisions. (The County Council were against the suggestion to transfer the Kineton ward into Wellesbourne division because if the Burton Dassett transfer were agreed the Kineton division would then be over-represented. They also felt that the proposed regrouping of Quinton with neighbouring divisions would result in an unacceptable standard of representation).

Haselor Parish Council wished to remain in the existing Studley division. Oldberrow, Morton Bagot and Spernal Joint Parish Council objected to the

proposed removal of the parishes of Great Alne, Aston Cantlow, and Haselor from the existing Studley division. They also considered that the proposed increase in council size in Stratford-on-Avon district from 12 to 13 members was an unfortunate and unnecessary charge on the district at the present time. Studley Parish Council opposed the proposed reduction of the area represented by their present county councillor. (The County Council were not agreeable to leaving the existing Studley division intact as it would be under-represented and the Kinwarton district ward would have to be split).

Stratford and South Warwickshire Liberal Association submitted an alternative scheme for the district designed to pay greater attention to local ties than the draft proposals. Quinton Parish Council objected to our draft proposals. Butlers Marston Parish Council objected to the existing boundaries being altered on grounds of expenditure and criticised the draft proposals for not paying enough attention to rural weighting.

(d) Warwick District

Barford, Sherburne and Wasperton Joint Parish Council repeated their objection to the proposal which places Sherburne Parish in a different division to Barford and Wasperton parishes. (The County Council pointed out that to place all three parishes in the same division would involve splitting a district ward). Eathorpe, Hunningham, Offchurch, Wappenbury and Weston-under-Wetherley Joint Parish Council opposed any increase in council membership in view of the present economic climate.

10. When we came to reassess our draft proposals we took account of all the comments we had received and came to the following conclusions regarding individual districts:

(a) Rugby Borough

We did not consider that any of the alternative suggestions put forward for this borough represented an improvement on our draft proposals - Rugby Borough Council's suggestions would have resulted in an inferior standard of representation in the divisions concerned, and we thought that the names of the proposed

divisions were sufficiently representative of their areas not to warrant alteration.

(b) Stratford-on-Avon District

The suggestion to transfer the Burton Dassett district ward from Kineton division to Harbury division was made in response to our offer to consider alternative arrangements in the area and was well supported. Although the entitlements of our proposed Southam division would not benefit from this alternative suggestion, it nevertheless improved on our draft proposals numerically and we decided to accept it. Having made this decision we felt that we could not entertain the request for the Kineton ward to be transferred into the Wellesbourne division as this would then have left the Kineton division unacceptably over-represented. From the available information it appeared to us that neither of the alternative schemes of Admington Parish Council and Stratford and South Warwickshire Liberal Association represented an improvement on the draft proposals. We did not want to upset the even standard of representation in our proposed Studley and neighbouring divisions which would have resulted from retaining the existing Studley division, and we agreed with the County Council that district wards should not be split if this could be avoided. The increase in the number of councillors from 12 to 13 was justified by the size of the electorate.

(c) Warwick District

The only alternative suggestion put forward in this district, involving the transfer of Sherburne Parish to the Warwick South division, would have entailed splitting a district ward and we decided not to accept it.

11. Subject to the modification in Stratford-on-Avon District referred to in paragraph 10(b) above we decided to confirm our draft proposals as final proposals.

12. Details of these final proposals are set out in Schedules 1 and 2 to this report and on the attached map. Schedule 1 gives the names of the electoral divisions. A detailed description of the boundaries of the proposed electoral divisions, as defined on the map, is set out on Schedule 2.

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 Warwickshire County Council and will be available for inspection at the Council's main offices. Copies of this report (without map) are being sent to those who received the consultation letter and to those who made comments.

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Signed:

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PHYLLIS BOWDEN

TYRRELL BROCKBANK

G E CHERRY

D P HARRISON

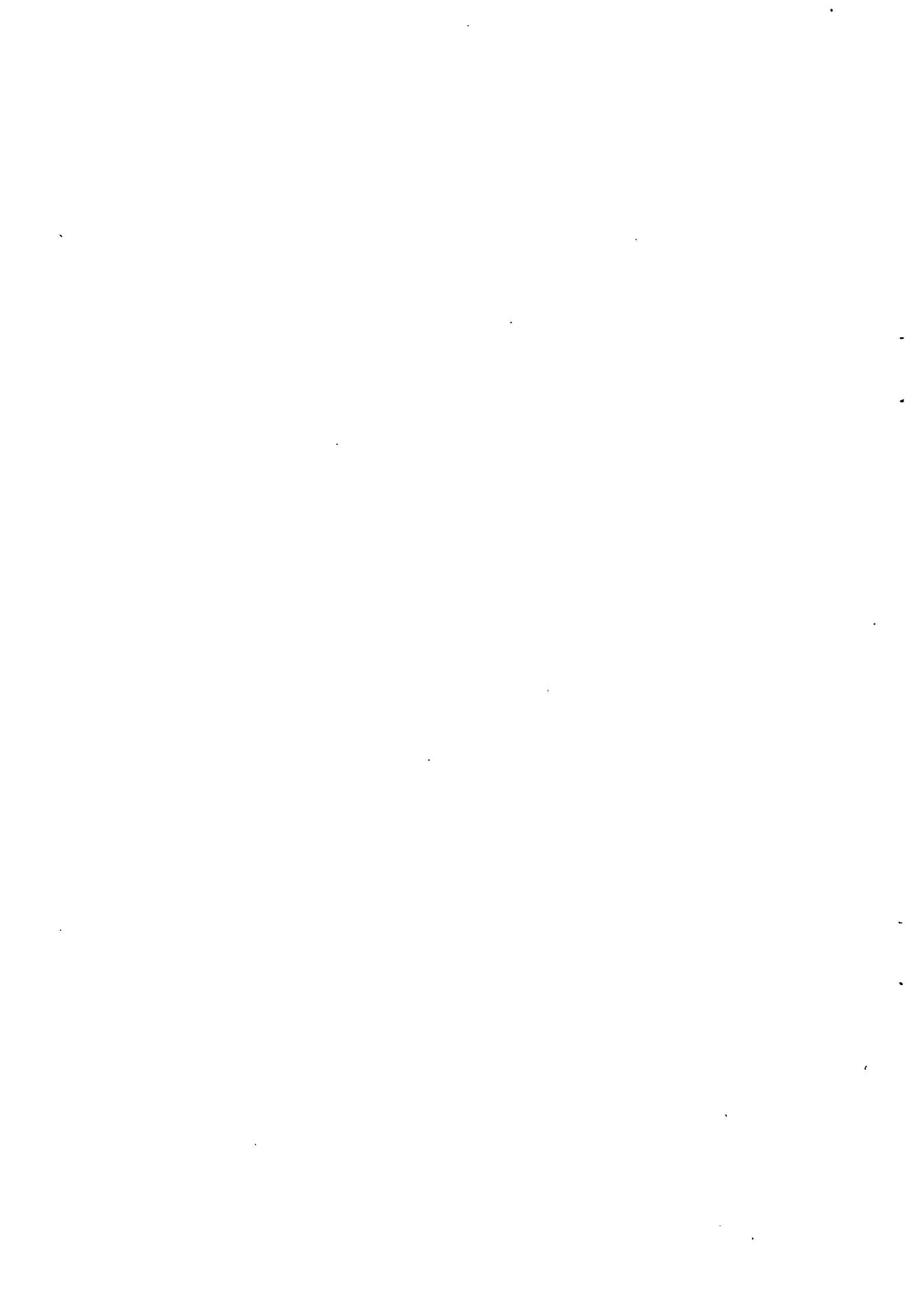
R R THORNTON

LESLIE GRIMSHAW (Secretary)

13 November 1980

LIST OF THOSE WHO COMMENTED ON DRAFT PROPOSALS

	<u>AREA CONCERNED</u>
Warwickshire County Council	Whole county
NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH	
Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council	Whole borough
RUGBY BOROUGH	
Rugby Borough Council	Rugby
Newton and Biggin Parish Council	Fosse
Thurlaston Parish Council	Dunchurch
Wolston Parish Council	Earl Craven
Rugby Labour Party	Whole borough
STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT	
Admington Parish Council	Whole district
Burton Dassett Parish Council	Burton Dassett
Butlers Marston Parish Council	Whole county
Combrook Parish Council	Kineton/Wellesbourne
Gaydon Parish Council	Burton Dassett
Haselor Parish Council	Studley
Kineton Parish Council	Kineton/Wellesbourne
Newbold Pacey and Ashorne Parish Council	" "
Oldberrow, Morton Bagot and Sernal Joint Parish Council	Studley
Quinton Parish Council	Whole county
Radway Parish Council	Burton Dassett
Studley Parish Council	Studley
Wellesbourne Parish Council	Kineton/Wellesbourne
Stratford-upon-Avon Town Council	Stratford-upon-Avon
Kineton Conservative Branch of the Stratford-upon-Avon and South Warwickshire Conservative and Unionist Assn.	Kineton/Wellesbourne
Stratford and South Warwickshire Liberal Assn. Chairman of the County Council, Major R B Kettle	Whole district Burton Dassett
WARWICK DISTRICT	
Barford, Sherburne and Wasperton Joint Parish Council	Warwick South/Rowington
Eathorpe, Hunningham, Offchurch, Wappenbury and Weston-under-Wetherley Joint Parish Council	Whole county



COUNTY OF WARWICKSHIRE

NAMES OF PROPOSED ELECTORAL DIVISIONS
(EACH RETURNING ONE COUNCILLOR)

NAME OF DIVISION

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH

Arley
Atherstone
Baddesley Ensor
Coleshill
Hartshill
Kingsbury
Polesworth
Water Orton

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH

Bedworth Bulkington
Bedworth Exhall
Bedworth Heath
Bedworth Mount Pleasant
Bedworth Poplar
Nuneaton Abbey
Nuneaton Arbury
Nuneaton Attleborough
Nuneaton Camp Hill
Nuneaton Chilvers Coton
Nuneaton Galley Common
Nuneaton St. Nicholas
Nuneaton Stockingford
Nuneaton Weddington
Nuneaton Whitestone

STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

Alcester
Bidford-on-Avon
Kineton
Harbury
Henley-in-Arden

STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT (contd....)

Shipston-on-Stour

Southam

Stratford-upon-Avon North

Stratford-upon-Avon South

Stratford-upon-Avon West

Studley

Wellesbourne

Wootton Waven

WARWICK DISTRICT

Cubbington

Kenilworth Abbey

Kenilworth St John's

Kenilworth Stoneleigh

Leamington Brunswick

Leamington Clarendon

Leamington Crown

Leamington Manor

Leamington Milverton

Leamington Willes

Rowington

Warwick North

Warwick South

Warwick West

Whitnash

COUNTY OF WARWICKSHIRE

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED COUNTY ELECTORAL DIVISION BOUNDARIES

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

BOROUGH OF NORTH WARWICKSHIRE

ARLEY ED

The North Warwickshire Borough Wards of Arley

Fillongley

ATHERSTONE ED

The North Warwickshire Borough Wards of Atherstone North

Atherstone South

BADDESLEY ENSOR ED

The North Warwickshire Borough Wards of Baddesley Ensor

Dordon

Grendon

COLESHILL ED

The North Warwickshire Borough Wards of Coleshill North

Coleshill South

HARTSHILL ED

The North Warwickshire Borough Wards of Hartshill

Mancetter

KINGSBURY ED

The North Warwickshire Borough Wards of Kingsbury

Hurley

POLESWORTH ED

The North Warwickshire Borough Wards of Newton Regis

Polesworth

Warton

WATER ORTON ED

The North Warwickshire Borough Wards of Curdworth

Nether Whitacre

Water Orton

BOROUGH OF NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH

BEDWORTH BULKINGTON ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Bulkington

BEDWORTH EXHALL ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Exhall

BEDWORTH HEATH ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Ward of Heath.

BEDWORTH MOUNT PLEASANT ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Mount Pleasant

BEDWORTH POPLAR ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Poplar

NUNEATON ABBEY ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Abbey.

NUNEATON ARBURY ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Arbury.

NUNEATON ATTLEBOROUGH ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Attleborough

NUNEATON CAMP HILL ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Camp Hill

NUNEATON CHILVERS COTON ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Chilvers Coton

NUNEATON GALLEY COMMON ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Galley Common.

NUNEATON ST NICOLAS ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of St Nicolas.

NUNEATON STOCKINGFORD ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Stockingford

NUNEATON WEDDINGTON ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Weddington

NUNEATON WHITESTONE ED

The Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Ward of Whitestone.

BOROUGH OF RUGBY

DUNCHURCH ED

The Rugby Borough Wards of Dunchurch and Thurlaston

Knightlow

Leam Valley

EARL CRAVEN ED

The Rugby Borough Wards of Earl Craven

Ryton-on-Dunsmore

Wolston

FOSSE ED

The Rugby Borough Wards of Clifton and Newton

Fosse

St Mary's

Wolvey

RUGBY BILTON ED

The Rugby Borough Ward of Admirals

and that part of the Rugby Borough Ward of Bilton bounded by a line commencing at the point where the western boundary of said ward meets the southeastern boundary of Admirals Ward, thence northeastwards along said southeastern boundary to the eastern boundary of Bilton Ward, thence southeastwards and southwestwards along said ward boundary to a point opposite the eastern boundary of the access way leading to No 76 Bawnmore Road, thence southwestwards to and along said eastern boundary and continuing southwestwards along the eastern boundary of said property and the northwestern boundary of Nos 16 to 20 Whittle Close to the northern boundary of the Rugby High School for Girls Playing Field, thence southeastwards along said northern boundary to and southwestwards along the eastern boundary of said Playing Field to the northern boundary of No 66 Cymbeline Way, thence westwards along said northern boundary and westwards and

northwestwards along the northern boundaries of Nos 68-126 Cymbeline Way, and in prolongation thereof to Longrood Road, thence southwestwards along said road to and southwards along Alwyn Road to the southern boundary of Bilton Ward, thence westwards along said southern boundary to and northwestwards and northeastwards along the western boundary of said ward to the point of commencement.

RUGBY CALDECOTT ED

The Rugby Borough Ward of Caldecott

and that part of the Rugby Borough Ward of Paddox bounded by a line commencing at the point where the southern boundary of Paddox Ward meets the eastern boundary of Caldecott Ward, thence generally northwards along said eastern boundary to and northeastwards and northwards along the northwestern boundary of Paddox Ward to Hillmorton Road, thence southeastwards along said road to and continuing southeastwards along the path south of Millfields Avenue to a point opposite the western boundary of No 54 Hoskyn Close, being part of the eastern boundary of Paddox Ward, thence southwards to and generally southwards along said ward boundary to and generally southwestwards along the southern boundary of said ward to the point of commencement.

RUGBY CENTRAL ED

The Rugby Borough Ward of Benn

and that part of the Rugby Borough Ward of Newbold, bounded by a line commencing at the point where the eastern boundary of Newbold Ward meets the southern boundary of Newbold Ward, thence generally southwestwards along said southern boundary to and generally northwestwards along the southwestern boundary of said ward to the Nuneaton-Rugby Railway, thence eastwards along said railway to the subway and path leading northwards from Old Station Square, thence northwards along said subway and path to and northeastwards along the unnamed road on the south bank of the River Avon to Newbold Road, thence northwestwards along said road to and northeastwards along Leicester Road to the northeastern

boundary of Newbold Ward, thence southeastwards along said ward boundary and generally southwestwards along the eastern boundary of said ward to the point of commencement.

RUGBY EASTLANDS ED

The Rugby Borough Ward of Eastlands

and that part of the Rugby Borough Ward of Paddock, bounded by a line commencing at the point where the eastern boundary of Eastlands Ward meets the northeastern boundary of Paddock Ward, thence southeastwards along said northeastern boundary and generally southwards along the eastern boundary of said ward to Lower Hillmorton Road, thence westwards along said road to the northwestern boundary of Paddock Ward, thence generally northwestwards and northeastwards along said ward boundary to the point of commencement.

RUGBY HILLMORTON ED

The Rugby Borough Ward of Hillmorton

and that part of the Rugby Borough Ward of Paddock not included in Rugby Caldecott ED and Rugby Eastlands ED.

RUGBY NORTH ED

The Rugby Borough Ward of Brownsover

and that part of the Rugby Borough Ward of Newbold not included in Rugby Central ED.

RUGBY OVERSLADE ED

The Rugby Borough Ward of Overslade

and that part of the Rugby Borough Ward of Bilton not included in Rugby Bilton ED.

RUGBY WEST ED

The Rugby Borough Wards of Lawford

New Bilton

STRATFORD-ON-AVON DISTRICT

ALCESTER ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Wards of Alcester

Kinwarton

Salford Priors

BIDFORD-ON-AVON ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Wards of Bardon

Bidford

Welford

HARBURY ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Ward of Burton Dassett

Harbury

HENLEY-IN-ARDEN ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Wards of Henley

Tanworth

Tanworth Earlswood

KINETON ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Wards of Farnborough

Kineton

Vale of the Red Horse

SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Wards of Brailes

Compton

Shipston

Tredington

SOUTHAM ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Wards of Napton Priors

Southam

Long Itchington

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON NORTH ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Ward of Stratford New Town

and the Elm Ward of the parish of Stratford-upon-Avon.

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON SOUTH ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Ward of Stratford Alveston

and the Old Town Ward of the parish of Stratford-upon-Avon.

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON WEST ED

The Bishopton and Shottery Wards of the parish of Stratford-upon-Avon.

STUDLEY ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Wards of Sambourne

Studley

WELLESBOURNE ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Wards of Ettington

Moreton Morrell

Quinton

Wellesbourne

WOOTTON WAWEN ED

The Stratford-on-Avon District Wards of Aston Cantlow

Claverdon

Snitterfield

Wootton Wawen

WARWICK DISTRICT

The Warwick District Wards used in this description are those listed in S1 (1979) No 1328: The Warwick District (Electoral Arrangements) Order (which come into operation for District election purposes on 5 May 1983).

CUBBINGTON ED

The Warwick District Wards of Cubbington

Radford Semele

KENILWORTH ABBEY ED

The Warwick District Ward of Abbey

KENILWORTH ST JOHN'S ED

The Warwick District Ward of St John's

KENILWORTH STONELEIGH ED

The Warwick District Wards of Park Hill

Stoneleigh

LEAMINGTON BRUNSWICK ED

The Warwick District Ward of Brunswick

LEAMINGTON CLARENDON ED

The Warwick District Ward of Clarendon

LEAMINGTON CROWN ED

The Warwick District Ward of Crown

LEAMINGTON MANOR ED

The Warwick District Ward of Manor

LEAMINGTON MILVERTON ED

The Warwick District Ward of Milverton.

LEAMINGTON WILLES ED

The Warwick District Ward of Willes

ROWINGTON ED

The Warwick District Wards of Budbrooke

Lapworth

Leek Wootton

WARWICK NORTH ED

The Warwick District Ward of Warwick North

WARWICK SOUTH ED

The Warwick District Wards of Bishop's Tachbrook

Warwick South

WARWICK WEST ED

The Warwick District Ward of Warwick West

WHITNASH ED

The Warwick District Ward of Whitnash.