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PROPOSALS FOR THE FUTURE ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR
THE LONDON BOROUGH OF LAMBETH

1. We, the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, having
   carried out a review of the electoral arrangements for the London Borough
   of Lambeth in accordance with the requirements of section 50(3) of the
   Local Government Act 1972, present our proposals for the future
   electoral arrangements for that London borough.

2. In accordance with the procedure laid down in section 60(1) and (2)
   of the 1972 Act, notice was given on 10 June 1975 that we were to undertake
   this review. This was incorporated in a consultation letter addressed to
   the Lambeth Borough Council, copies of which were circulated to the London
   Boroughs Association, the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, the
   Members of Parliament for the constituencies concerned, the headquarters of
   the main political parties and the Greater London Regional Council of the
   Labour Party. Copies were also sent to the editors of 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. Lambeth 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 letter of 10 June 1975
   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 six weeks before they submitted their draft scheme to us, thus allowing an opportunity for local comment.

4. On 27 February 1976 the Lambeth Borough Council submitted their draft scheme of representation. The Council proposed to divide the area of the borough into 20 wards, each returning 3 members, to form a council of 60.

5. We studied the Borough Council’s draft scheme together with a suggestion from a local political association for a minor ward boundary modification. We noted that the Council’s draft scheme failed to provide an even standard of representation throughout the borough in compliance with the rules in Schedule 11 to the Local Government Act 1972. We considered there was scope for redrawing boundaries to secure a better standard of representation and we therefore invited the Council to prepare a revised draft scheme.

6. On 19 January 1977 Lambeth Borough Council submitted their revised draft scheme of representation. This scheme provided for the division of the area of the borough into 20 wards each returning 3 councillors and 2 wards each returning 2 councillors, to form a council of 64.

7. We examined the revised draft scheme submitted by the Borough Council, together with the comments which we had received from 2 residents of the borough. One of these residents objected to the Council’s forecast
distribution of the electorate between the north and the south of the borough and, on the basis of different figures, he suggested that the Streatham Parliamentary Constituency area should be allocated an extra councillor and the Vauxhall Constituency area should lose one councillor. The other resident suggested modifications to the Clapham Town/Ferndale and Ferndale/Larkhall ward boundaries.

8. We decided that, for the purposes of formulating our draft proposals, we should accept the Council’s forecast electorate figures and we noted that, on the basis of those figures, the revised draft scheme would provide for a generally even standard of representation by 1980. We considered that none of the modifications which had been suggested to us offered substantial improvement. We examined the scheme to see if there were other modifications which could be made to improve it and we decided to re-draw the boundary between the Clapham Town and Ferndale wards in order to secure greater equality of representation. Subject to this modification and to minor alterations in ward boundaries recommended by the Ordnance Survey, we decided that the Borough Council’s revised draft scheme would provide a satisfactory basis for the future electoral arrangements of the borough in compliance with the rules in Schedule 11 to the 1972 Act and our guidelines. We formulated our draft proposals accordingly.

9. On 15 March 1977 we issued our draft proposals and these were sent to all who had received our consultation letter and to those who had commented on the draft schemes. The Borough Council were asked to make our 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 sent and, by public notices, from other members of the public.
and interested bodies. We asked for comments to reach us by 13 May 1977.

10. Lambeth Borough Council supported our draft proposals, but we received objections to them from the 2 residents of the borough who had submitted comments earlier in the review (see paragraph 7 above), another resident and 3 local political associations. These objections consisted of suggestions for an alteration to the proposed distribution of councillors between the Streatham and Vauxhall Constituency areas, an alternative pattern of wards in the Norwood Constituency area, an amendment to the proposed Clapham Town/Ferndale ward boundary, and a number of minor boundary modifications.

11. In view of these comments we decided that we needed further information to enable us to reach a conclusion. Therefore, in accordance with Section 63(2) of the 1972 Act and at our request, Mr B. Marder, QC, was appointed as Assistant Commissioner to hold a local meeting and to report to us. After the local meeting had been announced, another resident of the borough wrote objecting to the draft proposals and suggesting a pattern of one-member wards throughout the borough.

12. The Assistant Commissioner held a meeting at Lambeth Town Hall on 4 July 1977. A copy of his report to us of the meeting is attached at Schedule 1 to this report.

13. In the light of the discussion at the meeting and his inspection of the areas concerned, the Assistant Commissioner recommended that our draft proposals should be confirmed subject to boundary modifications between the proposed Clapham Town and Ferndale wards, the Streatham Hill and Streatham Wells wards, the Stockwell and Larkhall wards, the Ferndale and Larkhall wards, the Clapham Town and Clapham Park wards, the Town Hall and Streatham Hill wards and the Tulse Hill and Berne Hill wards.
14. We reviewed our draft proposals in the light of the comments which we had received and of the report of the Assistant Commissioner. Having checked the electorates, we concluded that the recommendations put forward by the Assistant Commissioner should be accepted. We formulated our final proposals accordingly.

15. Details of these final proposals are set out in Schedules 2 and 3 to this report. Schedule 2 gives the names of the wards and the number of councillors to be returned by each. Schedule 3 is a description of the areas of the new wards. The boundaries of the new wards are defined on the attached map.

PUBLICATION

16. 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 Lambeth Borough 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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15 September 1977
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15 July 1977.

Sir Edmund Compton, GCB, KBE,  
Chairman,  
Local Government Boundary Commission  
for England,  
London S.E.1.  

Dear Sir Edmund,

Review of Electoral Arrangements:  
London Borough of Lambeth

1. I have to report that following my appointment by the Home Secretary as Assistant Commissioner for the purpose of assisting this review, I presided at a local meeting held at Lambeth Town Hall, Brixton Hill, on Monday 4 July 1977.

2. The meeting opened at 10.30 a.m. and concluded at 6.15 p.m. I attach an attendance list showing that some 28 people were present; a considerable proportion remained throughout the meeting, and there were few people attending who did not contribute to the discussion. On the day following the meeting, and in response to requests, I made an extensive unaccompanied inspection of two areas, namely (a) the area in Vauxhall centred on Black Prince Road, especially the Vauxhall Gardens Estate and Lambeth Walk and the Ethelred Estate; and (b) the area of Clapham known as 'the Clapham triangle', bounded by Clapham High Street, Bedford Road and Clapham Park Road. I also briefly visited the areas of Clapham Common and Streatham Hill.
The Background to this Review.

3. Lambeth is one of the larger London boroughs. Its electorate is currently 197,000 and its population perhaps 290,000 or thereabouts. It contains four Parliamentary constituencies and is socially, politically and topographically very diverse. It stretches from Waterloo Bridge in the North, to take in Vauxhall, Kennington, Stockwell, and Brixton, and reaches to Clapham Common, Streatham, Norwood and West Dulwich in the South.

4. The existing Council has 20 wards returning 3 members each, giving 60 councillors, plus 10 aldermen to produce a total Council of 70 members. I heard no suggestion at the meeting that the existing arrangements are equitable, and it is clear that numerically they are unsatisfactory, with very considerable under-or-over-representation throughout the Borough.

5. The Commission commenced the present review in June 1975 when the Council were invited to submit proposals. The scheme submitted by the Council in response to this invitation was for a 60-member Council, equally distributed between the four Parliamentary constituencies in the Borough. The Commission took the view that these proposals did not comply with the statutory criteria and the Council were asked to reconsider the matter; in January 1977 they submitted a revised draft scheme. Following consideration of representations, in March 1977 the Commission published its own draft proposals, which in substance reproduced the Council's revised draft scheme. The Commission's proposals envisage a council of 64 members returned from 20 x 3 member wards and 2 x 2 member wards. After considering further representations concerning these proposals, the Commission decided to call a local meeting.
6. Without doubt the principal issue in controversy is the question of balance of representation between the Northern part of the Borough (broadly the Parliamentary constituencies of Vauxhall and Lambeth Central) and the Southern part (broadly the constituencies of Norwood and Streatham). Whether or not these areas are fairly represented depends in turn on the accuracy of predictions of population changes over the review period, since there is no doubt that the Borough as a whole has been and continues to be subject to considerable change as the result especially of the process of clearance and redevelopment. The Council's scheme, and the Commission's proposals, would provide 30 councillors in the North and 34 in the South (as defined above): The alternatives, advanced prior to the meeting in particular by Cllr. Beaven, Mr. Clive Jones and Mr. Williams, were all based solidly on the proposition that the Council's predictions were inaccurate and that the balance required to be adjusted, by the reduction of 1 member in the North and a corresponding increase of 1 member in the South.

7. In the course of events leading up to the meeting, no other issue of substance was ventilated, and this topic rightly predominated at the meeting. The Norwood Liberal Association had previously submitted proposals for single-member wards in the Norwood part of the Borough, but nobody appeared at the meeting to support these proposals, and on consideration of the scheme it is plainly unlikely to commend itself to the Commission. Any other matters raised prior to the meeting were wholly subsidiary or non-controversial.
Representations at the Meeting

8. I opened the meeting by explaining its purpose and the procedure I intended to follow, and then sought the views of those whose interest was primarily local and who found it necessary to leave early.

9. Rev. R. Moberly (who did not sign the attendance list) Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Kelly Roberts all expressed similar views concerning the boundary between Bishops Ward and Princes Ward in the north of the Borough. In the Commission's scheme, each is a 3-member ward and the boundary is Black Prince Road, which these speakers found logical and acceptable and an improvement on the existing arrangements. In Mr. Jones' proposals however, Princes Ward would be reduced to 2 members and reduced in size by the use of Vauxhall Street as the W. boundary. The speakers expressed grave concern at the divisive effect of this proposal, stressing the sustained efforts to build and maintain a community spirit in the Vauxhall Gardens Estate, which has a long and sorry history of social problems and tensions. These views were strongly supported by Cllr. Thompson on behalf of the Council, and by Miss Dimmick, Secretary of Princes Ward Labour Party for many years.

10. In reply, Mr. Clive Jones said that Vauxhall Gardens was divided under existing arrangements by a wholly illogical boundary, and his proposal, which was here identical with that of Cllr. Beaven and Vauxhall Conservative Association, simply restored the pre-1964 boundary. The Vauxhall Primary School had for at least 17 years been a polling station for different wards.
11. **Ald. Mrs. Sylvia Ingerson**, Secretary of Norwood Labour Party, supported the proposals of the Council and the Commission in the Norwood area, and was concerned with the Knights Hill/Gipsy Hill boundary as varied by Mr. Jones. The Dunbar St. area adjoining the S. Metropolitan Cemetery was an integral part of West Norwood and should not be detached. Mrs. Ingerson was supported by Cllr. Knights, a Labour councillor for the present Knights Hill Ward, and by Cllr. Scott-Simpson, a Conservative councillor for the present Leigham ward.

12. In reply Mr. Jones said that only a small number of electors were affected by this variant, and he had no strong views on the matter.

13. **Mr. Bernard Battley** is a local businessman and Chairman of Clapham Town Community Project, which he explained is supported by an urban aid grant. He outlined the very considerable social work undertaken by the Project, and stressed the importance of this work in the area of the 'Clapham triangle' which is an integral part of Clapham Town, centred on the High Street. He was supported by Mr. Paul Taylor a full-time community worker employed by the Project, who also referred to the strong sense of community in the area, especially the William Bonney Estate (Clapham Park Road - Triangle Place) and suggested that the needs of the area would not be met by any existing organisation in Ferndale Ward. Both Mr. Battley and Mr. Taylor were concerned as to the continuance of the urban aid grant on which the Project depended. **Cllr. Thompson**, whilst accepting that the social links of this area with Clapham Town did present a problem, indicated that he foresaw no difficulty about any adjustment of the urban aid grant which might be necessary if the draft proposals were implemented.
14. **Cllr. Thompson** then presented the substantive case for the Council. For the purpose of review the Council were required to consider the electorate in the period 1975-1980. In order to estimate the electorate at the end of the period, the Council took the most up-to-date detailed information as to clearance and redevelopment proposals, but decided to ignore the effect of population decline and migration, because (a) whilst obvious that population decline is continuing, the future rate of decline is notoriously difficult to forecast; and (b) the information was simply not available to permit realistic forecasts of differential rates of decline as between wards. It is of course the differential rates of decline alone which would justify changes in representation. The use of 1977 electorate figures by Cllr. Beaven were misleading, because pending redevelopment proposals to be implemented by 1980 will have a different effect on the balance between areas.

Cllr. Thompson elaborated these points with statistical data circulated at the meeting, which included a comparison of 1980 entitlements between wards, showing a relatively even distribution in North and South; a summary of changes in constituency populations on the basis of tentative estimates of migration referred to below; and a table of comparison of entitlements by constituencies and wards given existing boundaries in 1975 and proposed boundaries in 1980. Notwithstanding the difficulties of forecasting, the Council had carried out a necessarily tentative exercise to assess population change by outward migration. The result is expressed in one of the tables just referred to. It will be seen that, even assuming differential rates of population decline in different parts of the Borough, the effect is not significant in relation to the entitlement of the four constituencies.
Cllr. Thompson pointed out that the Council's revised draft proposals had been supported by a unanimous vote across Party lines.

15. Cllr. Thompson's statement was amplified by Mr. Robert Kessler, a Principal Planning Officer employed by the Council. In answer to my questions, Mr. Kessler explained the statistical basis for the 1980 population projections. These were largely based on the details of the latest approved Council housing programme, which supplied the information as to the 'decanting' and 'incoming' population. So far as private or possible GLC development was concerned, extant planning permissions were used, but it was necessary to estimate how much of this development would be carried out by 1980. The proportion of such 'hon-Borough Council' development was small, however, and not significant in the Borough as a whole. The resultant figures of population increase were then reduced by an overall 6.7% in each ward; this percentage was an empirical figure applied as a corrective because they were unable to say precisely how many people rehoused in new housing came from different wards of the Borough. Mr. Kessler mentioned that these methods had been discussed informally with officers of LGBC, who were unable to bind the Commission but felt that the methods were not unreasonable in the circumstances.

16. Cllr. S. J. Beaven presented his views in the form of a prepared proof of evidence circulated at the meeting together with Appendices. These views are an amplification and up-dating of his earlier letters to the Commission, and explain in detail why the Council's population projections are considered unreliable and inaccurate; why the Commission's proposals
are accordingly inequitable; and why and how the proposals should be amended so as to reduce the number of councillors in Vauxhall by one and to increase the number of councillors in the Clapham Park/Thornton area correspondingly. I have given close consideration to all the points made by Cllr. Beaven, but as they have been so clearly set out and documented by him, it seems unnecessary to duplicate his careful submissions in this report. Cllr. Beaven is a Conservative councillor, but he presented his views as an individual, and accepted that most of his colleagues in the Conservative group had endorsed the Council's revised draft scheme.

17. Mr. Chris Brooks is Chairman of Clapham Town Labour Party and active in a number of local community groups. He was particularly opposed to that aspect of the counter-proposals which would transfer the William Bonney Estate from Clapham Town to Ferndale ward. He had been the previous week-end to speak to people in the 'Clapham triangle' and recognised a strong sense of identity with Clapham and a considerable degree of community consciousness and activity.

Mr. Brooks disputed in particular that part of Cllr. Beaven's case which referred to a large increase in the Clapham Town electorate by pending redevelopment. He produced a calculation that if the Commission's proposals were implemented, the Clapham Town ward electorate would fall to 8780 by 1980. As the electorate of the adjoining Ferndale Ward would on the same basis be about 9700, he disputed the need to transfer so many votes from Clapham Town to Ferndale.
18. Cllr. C.A. Williams supported Cllr. Beaven's proposals for the Borough as a whole. He suggested that the figures put forward by Cllr. Thompson on behalf of the Council were inherently unacceptable; if the population figures were compared with the projected housing completions, the resultant occupancy rate was incredibly high; and the inclusion of some possible private or GLC development would make little difference. With regard to Clapham Town/Ferndale wards, he was at one with Cllr. Beaven and Mr. Jones in proposing the use of Clapham High Street as the boundary. He produced a calculation which appears to show that on his proposals, the difference of over 1000 electors between the two wards in 1980 would be reduced to a much smaller figure by 1985. Cllr. Williams also objected to the boundary proposed in the Council's revised draft scheme, which he said "meandered" through the Triangle.

19. Mr. P.S. Golds spoke on behalf of Vauxhall Conservative Association. The Association's proposals for the boundary between Bishops and Princes wards are identical with those of Mr. Jones and Cllr. Beaven. Mr. Golds did not accept the Council's population projections and saw no reason why this inner London borough should differ so substantially from the trend in other such boroughs. Mr. Golds lives in Princes ward, and as to the boundary in issue, said that Vauxhall Street had long been a ward boundary prior to 1965; it was easily recognisable; and it was not regarded as dividing the Vauxhall Gardens estate until the Rev. Moberly and his wife burst upon the local scene. He pointed out that many estates in Lambeth are divided between wards, without apparently causing difficulty, and he instanced the Clapham Park estate which straddles 4 wards and 2 parliamentary constituencies.
Mr. Golds added that Bishops Ward is a very diverse area split by a complex of railways and main roads, and in his view it needed 3 councillors. Thus he supported the proposal for 3 councillors in Bishops Ward and 2 Councillors in Princes ward.

20. Mr. Clive Jones is a former Borough councillor, an active candidate, and a member of the Conservative party, although putting forward his proposals as an individual. As in the case of Cllr. Beaven, whose proposals he supports fully, Mr. Jones' case had been fully explained in letters prior to the meeting. Thus, Mr. Jones also seeks to decrease representation in Vauxhall by reducing the size of Princes ward and allowing 2 councillors; and to increase representation further South by enlarging Thornton ward to 3-member size. Mr. Jones however, included in his case a number of relatively minor proposals, on each of which I sought his views and those of the Borough Council, as follows:-

(1) Stockwell/Larkhall wards - the boundaries he had suggested are more logical and convenient; the numerical effect is not known but likely to be insignificant; the Council's only objection is that it is premature to depart from the existing Parliamentary boundaries;

(2) Ferndale /Larkhall wards - the small triangle North of the railway bridge across Bedford Road and Clapham High Street should be transferred; the numerical effect is insignificant; and the Council does not oppose this proposal.
(3) **Clapham Town/Ferndale wards** - this is not really a minor tidying-up matter, but the issue as to the 'Clapham triangle' which a number of others have referred to. Mr. Jones described the Commission's proposed boundary as totally illogical and did not accept the force of the 'local ties' argument. He was an active churchman and his experience suggested that the wholly different parish boundaries presented no real difficulty. The boundary here should follow Clapham High Street or Bedford Road and should not meander between the two.

(4) **Clapham Town/Clapham Park wards** - The houses in Windmill Drive should plainly be in Clapham Park ward, being separated by the expanse of the Common from the rest of Clapham Town. The Council's only objection to this is the desirability of retaining the existing Parliamentary boundary;

(5) **Town Hall/Streatham Hill wards** - Streatham Place forms part of the S. Circular Road, which is the obvious boundary to be followed here. The numerical effect of transfer of the area N. of Streatham Place into Town Hall ward is not known but unlikely to be significant; the Council's objection is only to disturbing the present Parliamentary boundary;

(6) **Streatham South/St. Leonards wards** - Mr. Jones felt the boundary in the Greyhound Lane area to be most unsatisfactory as it wandered around the backs of properties.
Greyhound Lane would form a satisfactory boundary from the railway station to Streatham Common. The transfer would involve 371 electors and produce wards slightly outside the Commission's guidelines.

(g) Knights Hill/Gipsy Hill wards As reported in para. 12 above, Mr. Jones did not feel strongly about the Dumbbar Street area.

(8) Tulse Hill/Herne Hill wards - The boundary should follow the rear of properties on the S. side of Water Lane. About 26 electors were affected, and the Council had no objection.

Finally, Mr. Jones supported Mr. Beaven's suggestion that Thornton Ward be renamed Clapham Park and Clapham Park be renamed Clapham Common. There would be no point in these changes however, if the Commission's proposals were adopted.

21. Mr. H. Hiscock has been Secretary of Streatham. Conservative Association since 1953. His association's view were set out in a letter to the Commission. The purpose of their proposed amendment to Streatham Hill/Streatham Wells boundary is to include both sides of Hailsham Avenue, Lyndhurst Avenue and Keymer Road in the Streatham Hill ward. The Council do not object to this proposal.
As to the St. Leonards/Streatham South ward boundary, the Association do not support Mr. Jones' proposal (see para. 20(6) above); they are happy with the existing boundary as proposed by the Commission and see no ground for any change.

22. Miss Dimmick reverted to the question of the Bishops/Princes ward boundary. She refuted the suggestion that Vauxhall Street was a suitable boundary - it was a residential street with housing both sides looking towards it. The local population was very homogeneous, nearly 75% of the Princes ward and probably about 90% of the Bishops ward electorate being Council tenants. Extensive redevelopment is going on, and she found no difficulty in accepting the Council's predictions, having regard to the scale of the rehousing schemes in progress.

23. Mr. Paul Rossi is Chairman of Streatham Labour Party. His party had accepted the Commission's proposals as a whole, but now wished to support Mr. Hiscock (see para. 21 above) both as to the Streatham Hill/Streatham Wells boundary, and in resisting Mr. Jones' suggestion for the St. Leonards/Streatham South boundary. As to the Northern part of Streatham, Mr. Rossi said that the Commission's proposals were still considered the most satisfactory, and he expressed concern at Cllr. Beaven's suggestions for renaming wards. He also pointed out that Cllr. Beaven's scheme in the area of the Clapham Park estate (Clapham Park/Thornton wards) perpetuated an existing unsatisfactory salient, bounded by the S. Circular Road (Poynders Road), Clarence Avenue and Kings Avenue.
24. Mr. Roger Hewish is Secretary of Streatham Wells Labour Party. He did not accept the case for additional representation in the S. part of the Borough, but even if this were necessary, the proposals of Cllr. Beaven were unsatisfactory, especially in relation to the Clapham Park estate. He believed that any enlargement of Thornton Ward ought to be Eastwards, at the expense of Streatham Hill ward; but he had no specific boundary to suggest.

25. Mr. Andrew Sawdon is a member of Clapham Town Labour Party, and expressed anxiety about the 'Clapham triangle'. He was not happy about the Council proposals, but this at least was preferable to a wholesale transfer into Ferndale ward. In his view, Clapham High Street is no barrier but the focal point of the ward, whereas Bedford Road is a real barrier between Brixton and Clapham.

26. Mr. Leggatt lives in Aristotle Road, in the 'Clapham triangle', and objected both to the Commission's proposals and to the alternative suggested by Cllr. Beaven and others. He and his neighbours are part of the Clapham community. The High Street is no barrier but the centre of their activities, which they crossed to play on the Common, to swim in the Municipal Baths, or to have a drink. In answer to me, Mr. Leggatt agreed that no practical difficulty would follow from his being required to vote in Ferndale ward, but he felt that Ferndale councillors would be largely concerned with Brixton rather than Clapham.
27. **Ald. Hugh Walker** has lived in Narbonne Avenue, off the S. side of Clapham Common for many years. The area was always known as 'Clapham Park'. His mother had always used that address, and more recently a local traffic study had been entitled 'Clapham Park Study'. He opposed renaming the wards, and the transfer of the Clapham Park estate to Thornton ward.

28. **Cllr. Thompson** replied to the discussion on behalf of the Council. As to population projections, he pointed out that the attempt to refute the Council's figures for 1980 by reference to 1977 figures was misleading and led to distortion. The point made by Cllr. Williams as to housing completions and occupancy rates was not valid, since no allowance was made for either GLC or private development.

Even if boundaries in the Streatham area were capable of adjustment to produce an additional member, a corresponding reduction in the North remained very difficult, and either Bishops or Princes ward must end up under-represented.

The Council generally accepted the views of Rev. Moberly and others who had expressed opposition to the division of large estates. This should be avoided so far as possible, and that was an added merit of the Council's proposals.

As to the Clapham Town/Ferndale boundary, this was a difficult problem. The Council would prefer to retain the Bedford Road boundary. They accept the powerful weight of evidence against the use of Clapham High Street. But the Commission advised that some change was necessary in the interests of parity, and the line chosen is the best compromise that the Council can achieve.
As to Knights Hill/Gipsy Hill, it is agreed with Ald. Ingerson and others that the Dunbar Street area should clearly go into Knights Hill as the Council propose.

Conclusions

29. It is apparent that no serious controversy arises as to the adequacy of the proposals made by the Council and the Commission on the basis of the 1975 electorate. The basic issue is whether or not the Council's predictions as to the 1980 electorate are reliable; and if they are not reliable, whether or not the scheme should be modified for the purpose of ensuring parity of representation so far as possible throughout the 5-year period of review.

30. I have considered carefully the criticisms made of the Borough Council's population projections and the facts presented at the meeting. I accept, as I think the Council do too, that the method adopted almost certainly understates the decline in the overall population and electorate of the Borough between 1975 and 1980. I am quite satisfied however, that the Council have adopted as reliable a guide as can reasonably be devised as to the distribution of electorate between wards over the same period. Certainly the objectors have not demonstrated a more reliable alternative, nor satisfied me that the decline will be greater in the North than in the South.

I found particularly convincing the demonstration by the Council, that if one attempted to feed into the calculations an assessment of population decline by outward migration (as urged by the objectors), the likely consequences were not significant in relation to the balance of electorates between the constituencies.
Accordingly, I see no reason to accept the proposition that the representation in the Vauxhall area should be reduced and that in the Streatham area correspondingly increased. It is therefore strictly unnecessary for me to reach conclusions on the difficult questions raised by the suggested reduction in size of Princes Ward and the use there of Vauxhall Street as a boundary; and by the extension of Thornton ward to include the Clapham Park estate salient. Nevertheless, I was greatly impressed by the objections made to the alternative proposals of Mr. Jones and others in relation to the first of these areas; and if necessary I would have concluded that the division of the Vauxhall Gardens estate by the use of Vauxhall Street as a boundary was most undesirable and unacceptable.

With regard to the boundary between Clapham Town and Ferndale wards, I accept the Council's view that Bedford Road would have been the best boundary, but some revision is required for the purpose of securing parity, and I think that the fears expressed as to the splitting of the "Clapham Triangle", whilst understandable, are unwarranted. The Commission's proposals will retain the Wm. Bonney estate in Clapham Town; the area transferred to Ferndale ward appears somewhat different in character and includes a considerable proportion of land in process of redevelopment. Nevertheless, I think the boundary could be improved by the use of St. Luke's Avenue, if this is numerically acceptable. This amendment would meet the complaint about a meandering boundary, and would in my view be more convenient and less damaging to local ties.

With regard to Streatham Hill/Streatham Wells wards, the boundary proposed by the Commission is in my view unnecessarily divisive in the area around Hailsham Avenue, and the proposal put forward by Streatham Conservative Association is substantially better.
34. With regard to the other suggested amendments to the Commission's proposals, these were in the main put forward by Mr. Jones as 'tidying-up' modifications, and I can express my conclusions about them briefly and in the order in which they were raised by Mr. Jones:

(a) **Stockwell/Larkhall wards** - two minor changes were proposed. The assertions that they present a more convenient boundary and are not significant numerically were not challenged. I conclude that they would marginally improve the Commission's proposals;

(b) **Perndale/Larkhall wards** - the small triangle North of the railway bridge should in my view clearly be in Larkhall ward;

(c) **Clapham Town/Clapham Park wards** - it makes good sense to include the properties in Windmill Drive in Clapham Park ward; the northern edge of the Common would provide a convenient boundary between these wards;

(d) **Town Hall/Streatham Hill wards** - I am quite satisfied that the S. Circular Road should be the boundary here, if the result of using it is numerically acceptable;
(e) Streatham South/St. Leonards wards - I see no real advantage in Mr. Jones' suggestion regarding the Greyhound Lane area; the Commission's proposals seem reasonable and command general acceptance;

(f) Knights Hill/Gipsy Hill wards - Mr. Jones' proposal only has the dubious merit of providing a straight line. The Dunbar Street area should in my view be retained in Knights Hill ward as proposed by the Commission;

(g) Tulse Hill/Herne Hill wards - the proposal to follow the rear of properties on the S. side of Water Lane is apparently non-controversial, and in my view represents a marginal improvement of the Commission's proposals.

35. Finally, I think the suggestion made as to the renaming of Thornton and Clapham Park wards was wholly conditional on acceptance of the boundary proposals made by Cllr. Beaven and others in that area. Since my conclusions are adverse to those boundary proposals, I express no view on the change of names. It seems that if the Commission's boundary proposals were adopted the ward names proposed by the Commission are generally accepted.

Recommendations
36. In the light of the conclusions I have reached, I recommend that the Commission's draft proposals, as set out in the letter dated 15 March 1977 with the accompanying memorandum, description of proposed ward boundaries, and map, should be adopted subject to the following modifications:-
(1) **Clapham Town/Ferndale wards:** If the result falls within acceptable limits of entitlement, the boundary should proceed from Clapham High Street along the rear of properties on the S. side of St. Luke's Avenue as far as Bowland Road and thence as proposed by the Commission;

(2) **Streatham Hill/Streatham Wells wards:** The boundary should follow the N. side of the railway cutting from Streatham High Road eastwards to Hailsham Avenue, then along the rear of properties on the S.W side of Hailsham Avenue south-eastwards to the rear of properties in Mount Nod Road, north-eastwards to Hailsham Avenue, south-eastwards to Mount Nod Road, then north-eastwards along Mount Nod Road to rejoin the line proposed by the Commission at the junction with Lydhurst Avenue;

(3) **Stockwell/Larkhall wards:** At the western end, the boundary should proceed from the Borough boundary along Belmore Street to Wandsworth Road. At the eastern end, the boundary should follow the rear of properties on the S. side of Jeffreys Road as far as Clapham Road;

(4) **Ferndale/Larkhall wards:** The small triangle North of the railway bridge across Bedford Road and Clapham High Street should be transferred to Larkhall ward;

(5) **Clapham Town/Clapham Park wards:** Windmill Drive should be in Clapham Park ward. A boundary along Clapham Common North Side and Long Road would achieve this;
(6) **Town Hall/Streatham Hill wards**: If the result falls within acceptable limits of entitlement, the boundary should follow Streatham Place;

(7) **Tulse Hill/Herne Hill wards**: the boundary should follow the rear of properties on the S. side of Water Lane to Dulwich Road and thence as proposed by the Commission.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant

[Signature]

(BERNARD MARDER Q.C.) Assistant Commissioner.
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SCHEDULE 3

LONDON BOROUGH OF LAMBETH
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.

STREATHAM SOUTH WARD

Commencing at a point where the road known as Streatham Common North meets the southern boundary of the Borough, thence southwestwards and generally westwards along said southern boundary and northeastwards along the western boundary of the Borough to the Balham to Norbury railway, thence southeastwards along said railway to the road known as Greyhound Lane, thence northeastwards along said road to Buckleigh Road, thence southeastwards along said road to Northanger Road, thence northeastwards and northwestwards along said road to a point opposite the southeastern boundary of 17 Northanger Road, thence northeastwards to and along the said southeastern boundary and continuing northeastwards along the southeastern boundaries of 41 and 39 Westwell Road to the southeastern corner of the last mentioned property, thence southeastwards in prolongation of the northeastern boundary of said property to a point opposite the southeastern boundary of the unnamed property adjoining the northwestern boundary of the yard at the rear of 1 and 2 Factory Square, thence northeastwards to and along said southeastern boundary, the northwestern boundary of the yard at the rear of 1 and 2 Factory Square and the northwestern boundary of the Immanuel C of E Primary School, thence southeastwards along the northeastern boundary of said school to the road known as Factory Square, thence northeastwards along said road to Streatham High Road, thence northwestwards along said road to the road known as Streatham Common North, thence generally eastwards along said road to the point of commencement.

ST LEONARD'S WARD

Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Streatham South Ward meets the western boundary of the Borough, thence generally northwards along said western boundary to the Balham to North Dulwich railway, thence south-
eastwards along said railway to Streatham High Road, thence generally southwards along said road to the northern boundary of Streatham South Ward, thence southeastwards, generally southwestwards and northwestwards along said northern boundary to the point of commencement.

STREATHAM WELLS WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Streatham South Ward meets the eastern boundary of St Leonard's Ward, thence northwards along said eastern boundary and the road known as Streatham Hill to a point opposite the northern boundary of No 1 Leigham Court Road thence eastward to and along said northern boundary and southeastwards along the rear boundaries of Nos 1-5 said road to the Balham to North Dulwich railway thence southeastwards along said railway to the rear boundaries of Nos 46-176 Hailsham Avenue thence southeastwards along said rear boundaries and northeastwards along the southeastern boundaries of Nos 174-176 Hailsham Avenue to said avenue thence southeastwards along said avenue to Mount Nod Road thence northeastwards along said road to Hitherfield Road thence northwestwards along said road to Hillside Road, thence northeastwards along said road to a point opposite the northeastern boundaries of 64 to 58 Hitherfield Road, thence southeastwards to and along said northeastern boundaries to the prolongation westwards of the Balham to North Dulwich railway, thence eastwards along said prolongation and railway to the road known as Leigham Vale, thence southwestwards and southeasterwards along said road to Knolly's Road, thence southwestwards along said road to Leigham Court Road, thence southeastwards and southwards along said road to the northern boundary of Streatham South Ward, thence westwards along said northern boundary to the point of commencement.

THORNTON WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of St Leonards Ward meets the western boundary of the Borough, thence generally northwards along said
western boundary and Cavendish Road to Trouville Road, thence southeastwards along said road to the road known as Elms Crescent, thence northwards along said road to a point opposite the boundary on the south side of 1 to 8 Deanville Mansions, thence southeastwards to and along said boundary to the western boundary of 132 Rodenhurst Road, thence southwards along said western boundary and the western boundary of 13\(\frac{1}{4}\) Rodenhurst Road, thence southeastwards along the southern boundary of last mentioned property to Rodenhurst Road, thence southwards along said road to Poynders Road, thence southeastwards along said road to the road known as Kings Avenue, thence southwards along said road to Thornton Road, thence southeastwards along said road and the road known as Thornton Avenue to the road known as Telford Avenue, thence generally westwards along said road to the road known as Rastell Avenue, thence southwestwards along said road to a point opposite the northwestern boundary of 251 Sternhold Avenue, also being the eastern boundary of Tooting Bec Common, thence southwestwards to and along said eastern boundary and in prolongation southwestwards thereof to the northern boundary of St Leonard's Ward, thence northwesterns along said northern boundary to the point of commencement.

STREATHAM HILL WARD

Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of St Leonard's Ward meets the eastern boundary of Thornton Ward, thence generally northeastwards along said eastern boundary to Atkins Road, thence southeastwards along said road Streatham Place and Christchurch Road to Hillside Road, thence southwestwards along said road to Palace Road, thence southeastwards along said road to Kinkauns Road, thence southwestwards and southeastwards along said road to the road known as Leigham Vale, thence southwestwards along said road to the northern boundary of Streatham Wells Ward, thence generally northwestwards along said northern
boundary and the northern boundary of St Leonard's Ward to the point of commencement.

CLAPHAM PARK WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Thornton Ward meets the western boundary of the Borough, thence northwestwards and northwards along said western boundary to the road known as Clapham Common North Side thence eastwards along said road and Long Road to the road known as Clapham Common South Side, thence northeastwards along said road to Clapham Park Road, thence southeastwards and eastwards along said road to the road known as Kings Avenue, thence southwards along said road to Lyham Road, thence southeastwards along said road to the road known as Crescent Lane, thence westwards along said road to the road known as Kings Avenue, thence southwestwards along said road to the northern boundary of Thornton Ward, thence generally northwestwards along said northern boundary to the point of commencement.

KNIGHT'S HILL WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Streatham South Ward meets the eastern boundary of Streatham Wells Ward, thence northwards, northwestwards and northeastwards along said eastern boundary to the Balham to West Norwood railway, thence southeastwards along said railway to the road known as York Hill, thence northeastwards along said road to Norwood Road, thence southeastwards along said road to Robson Road, thence northeastwards along said road to a point opposite the eastern boundary of the West Norwood Cemetery and Crematorium, thence southeastwards to and along said eastern boundary and generally westwards along the southern boundary of the said cemetery to the access road known as Pilgrim Hill, thence generally westwards along said access road to the road known as Auckland Hill, thence northwestwards along said road to Norwood High Street, thence southeastwards along said street and Elder Road to the southern boundary of the Borough thence
westwards along said southern boundary to the northern boundary of Streatham South Ward, thence westwards along said northern boundary to the point of commencement.

GIPSY HILL WARD
Commencing at a point where the southern boundary of the Borough meets the eastern boundary of Knight's Hill Ward, thence northwestwards, eastwards and northwestwards along said eastern boundary to Park Hall Road, thence generally northeastwards along said road to the eastern boundary of the Borough, thence generally southeastwards along said eastern boundary and generally northwestwards along the southern boundary of the Borough to the point of commencement.

THURLOW PARK WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Knight's Hill Ward meets the eastern boundary of Streatham Wells Ward, thence northeastwards along said eastern boundary to the railway running from Balham to the junction northeast of Tulse Hill Station, thence northeastwards along said railway to a point due west of the northwestern corner of 7 Birkbeck Hill, thence due east to said northwestern corner, thence northeastwards along the northwestern boundaries of 7 to 55 Birkbeck Hill and the northwestern boundaries of 82 to 76 Thurlow Hill to the western boundary of the allotment gardens at the rear of properties on the western side of Lovelace Road, thence northwestwards along said western boundary and northeastwards along the northern boundary of said allotment gardens to the western boundary of the railway property on the western side of the northern entrance of Knight's Hill Tunnel, thence northeastwards along the western boundary of the railway property to Rosendale Road, thence northwestwards along said road to Norwood Road, thence northeastwards along said road to the eastern boundary of the Borough, thence southeastwards along said eastern boundary to the northern boundary of Gipsy Hill, thence southwestwards along said northern
boundary and continuing southwestwards, northwestwards, southwestwards and northwestwards along the northern boundary of Knight's Hill Ward to the point of commencement.

ST MARTIN'S WARD

Commencing at a point where the northwestern boundary of Thurlow Park Ward meets the northeastern boundary of Streatham Hill Ward, thence generally northwestwards along said northeastern boundary to the road known as Brixton Hill, thence northwards along said road to the road known as Upper Tulse Hill, thence southeastwards along said road to a point opposite the southeastern boundary of 103 Upper Tulse Hill, thence northeastswards to and along said southeastern boundary and the southeastern boundaries of 5 to 52 Athlone Road, thence continuing northeastswards to and along the southeastern boundaries of 54 to 60 Athlone Road, thence southeastwards along the western boundaries of 8 to 24 Mackie Road and continuing southeastwards to and along the western boundaries of 26 to 30 Mackie Road and the western boundary of Mackie House, thence northeastswards along the southeastern boundary of said property and the southeastern boundary of 82 Tulse Hill to the road known as Tulse Hill, thence northeastswards along said road to a point opposite the southern boundary of 64 Tulse Hill, thence northeastswards in a straight line to grid reference TQ 3135473763 being a point on the western boundary of Brockwell Park, thence southeastwards along said western boundary and northeastswards along the southeastern boundary of said park to a point opposite the junction of Brockwell Park Gardens and Norwood Road, thence northeastswards to and along Norwood Road to the northwestern boundary of Thurlow Park Ward, thence southeastwards and generally southwestwards along said northwestern boundary to the point of commencement.

TULSE HILL WARD

Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of St Martin's Ward meets the road known as Brixton Hill, thence northeastswards along said road to the
road known as Brixton Water Lane, thence eastwards along said road to Effra Road; thence northwestwards along said road to the road known as Coldharbour Lane, thence northeastwards along said road to the Brixton to Herne Hill railway, thence southeastwards along said railway to the prolongation northeastwards of the southeastern boundary of 171 Mayall Road, thence southwestwards along said prolongation and southeastern boundary, crossing Mayall Road and continuing southwestwards along Chaucer Road to Railton Road, thence northeastwards along said road to the road known as Effra Parade, thence southwestwards along said road to Dulwich Road thence southeastwards along said road to a point opposite the western boundary of No 2 Dulwich Road thence southwestwards to and along said western boundary to the northern boundary of Brockwell Park thence westwards along said northern boundary southeastwards, westwards and generally southwards along the western boundary of said Park to the northern corner of the southernmost garage on the southeastern side of Woodruff House, thence southeastwards in a straight line to the northernmost corner of the Dick Sheppard School, also being the western boundary of Brockwell Park, thence generally southwards along said western boundary to the northern boundary of St Martin's Ward thence generally southwestwards and northwestwards along said northern boundary to the point of commencement.

HERNE HILL WARD

Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of St Martin's Ward meets the eastern boundary of Tulse Hill Ward, thence generally northwards, northeastwards and northwestwards along said eastern boundary to the road known as Coldharbour Lane, thence northeastwards along said road to the East Brixton to Denmark Hill railway, thence northeastwards along said railway to the eastern boundary of the Borough, thence generally southwestwards along said eastern boundary to the northwestern boundary of Thurlow Park Ward, thence southwestwards along said northwestern boundary and continuing southwestwards and northwestwards along the northern boundary of St Martin's Ward to the point of commencement.
TOWN HALL WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Streatham Hill Ward meets the eastern boundary of Clapham Park Ward, thence generally northwards along said eastern boundary to the road known as Acre Lane, thence eastwards and northeastwards along said road to the western boundary of Tulse Hill Ward, thence southeastwards, westwards and southwestwards along said western boundary and continuing southwestwards along the western boundary of St Martin's Ward to the northern boundary of Streatham Hill Ward, thence generally northwestwards along said northern boundary to the point of commencement.

CLAPHAM TOWN WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Clapham Park Ward meets the western boundary of the Borough, thence northwards and northeastwards along said western boundary to the Victoria to Denmark Hill railway, thence southeastwards along said railway to Clapham High Street, thence southeastwards along said street to St Luke's Avenue thence southeastwards along said avenue to a point opposite the northwestern boundary of No 1 St Luke's Avenue, thence southwestwards to and along said northwestern boundary, south-eastwards along the rear boundaries of Nos 1-65 St Luke's Avenue and southwestwards along the rear boundaries of the properties numbers 21-32 White's Square and southeastern boundaries of Nos 113-127 Nelson's Row to and south-eastwards along Nelson's Row to Bowland Road, thence southwestwards along said road and Clapham Crescent to the northern boundary of Clapham Park Ward, thence north-westwards and southwestwards along said boundary to the point of commencement.

FERNDALE WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Clapham Park Ward meets the eastern boundary of Clapham Town Ward, thence generally northwards along said eastern boundary to the Victoria to Denmark Hill railway, thence eastwards along said railway to the prolongation southeasterwards of the eastern boundaries of 57c and 57d Hubert Grove, thence north-westwards along said
prolongation and eastern boundaries and continuing northwestwards along the southwestern boundary of the South Western Hospital to Landor Road, thence northeastwards along said road and the northernmost section of the road known as Stockwell Green and continuing northeastwards crossing Stockwell Road to and northeastwards along Sidney Road, thence continuing northeastwards across Stockwell Park Road to and along Robsart Street to Brixton Road, thence southwards and southwestwards along said road to the northern boundary of Town Hall Ward, thence southwestwards and westwards along said northern boundary and continuing southwestwards and northwestwards along the northern boundary of Clapham Park Ward to the point of commencement.

ANGELL WARD

Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Tulse Hill Ward meets the eastern boundary of Ferndale Ward, thence northeastwards along said eastern boundary to Loughborough Road, thence generally eastwards along said road to Lilford Road, thence eastwards along said road to the Loughborough Junction to Elephant and Castle railway, thence northeastwards along said railway to the eastern boundary of the Borough, thence generally southeastwards along said eastern boundary to the northwestern boundary of Herne Hill Ward, thence southwestwards along said northwestern boundary and the northern boundary of Tulse Hill Ward to the point of commencement.

LARKHALL WARD

Commencing at a point where the northeastern boundary of Clapham Town Ward meets the northwestern boundary of the Borough, thence northeastwards along said northwestern boundary to Belmore Street thence southeastwards along said street the road known as Southville and Jeffrey's Road to a point opposite the northwestern boundary of No 83 Jeffrey's Road thence southwestwards to and along said northwestern boundary and in prolongation thereof to Elwell Road thence southeastwards along said road crossing Bromfelde Road and continuing southeastwards northeastwards and southeastwards along the southwestern boundary of the Health Centre rear boundary of the Library and rear boundaries of Nos 27-21 Jeffrey's Road to and northeastwards along the access road to the Works to a point opposite the rear boundaries of No 17-1 Jeffrey's Road thence southeastwards to and along said boundaries and the rear boundary of St John's Parish House to Clapham Road, thence northeastwards along said road to Stockwell Road, thence
southeastwards along said road to the northwestern boundary of Ferndale Ward, thence southwestwards, southeastwards and generally northwestwards along said northwestern boundary to the northeastern boundary of Clapham Town Ward, thence northwestwards along said northeastern boundary to the point of commencement.

STOCKWELL WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Larkhall Ward meets the northwestern boundary of the Borough, thence northeastwards along said northwestern boundary to the prolongation northwestwards of Pascal Street, thence southeastwards along said prolongation and Pascal Street to Wandsworth Road, thence southwestwards along said road to Thorncroft Street, thence southeastwards along said street to Hartington Road, thence southwards along said road to Thorne Road, thence eastwards along said road to South Lambeth Road, thence northwards along said road to Old South Lambeth Road, thence northwards along said road to Dorset Road, thence eastwards and southeastwards along said road to Clapham Road, thence southwestwards along said road and continuing southwestwards and generally northwestwards along the northern boundary of Larkhall Ward to the point of commencement.

VASSALL WARD
Commencing at a point where the northeastern boundary of Larkhall Ward meets the southeastern boundary of Stockwell Ward, thence northeastwards along said southeastern boundary to Caldwell Street, thence southeastwards along said street to Brixton Road, thence northwards along said road to Camberwell New Road, thence northwestwards along said road to Kennington Park Road, thence northeastwards along said road to the eastern boundary of the Borough, thence generally southeastwards along said eastern boundary to the northern boundary of Angell Ward, thence southwestwards and westwards along said northern boundary and westwards along the northern boundary of Ferndale Ward to the northeastern boundary of Larkhall Ward, thence northwestwards along said northeastern boundary to the point of commencement.
OVAL WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Stockwell Ward meets the northwestern boundary of the Borough, thence generally northeastwards along said northwestern boundary to Vauxhall Bridge, thence southeastwards along said bridge and the road known as Bridgefoot, thence eastwards across Vauxhall Cross to and generally eastwards and northeastwards along the road known as Kennington Lane to Kennington Road, thence southwards and southeastwards along said road to the northwestern boundary of Vassall Ward, thence generally southwestwards along said northwestern boundary to the southeastern boundary of Stockwell Ward, thence northeastwards along said southeastern boundary and generally westwards along the northern boundary of said ward to the point of commencement.

PRINCE'S WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Oval Ward meets the northwestern boundary of the Borough, thence northeastwards along said northwestern boundary to the prolongation northwestwards of Black Prince Road, thence southeastwards along said prolongation, crossing Albert Embankment to and southeastwards along Black Prince Road to Kennington Road, thence northwards along said road to the eastern boundary of the Borough, thence southeastwards and southwestwards along said eastern boundary to the northwestern boundary of Vassall Ward, thence southwestwards along said northwestern boundary to the eastern boundary of Oval Ward, thence northwestwards along said eastern boundary and generally westwards along the northern boundary of said ward to the point of commencement.

BISHOP'S WARD
Commencing at a point where the northern boundary of Prince's Ward meets the northwestern boundary of the Borough, thence northwards and eastwards along said northwestern boundary and generally southwards along the eastern boundary of the Borough to the northern boundary of Prince's Ward, thence southwards and northwestwards along said northern boundary to the point of commencement.