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Made - - - - - 23rd December 1982

Coming into Operation—  
for the purposes described  
in article 2(1)—

1st February 1983

for all other purposes —

1st April 1983

Whereas the District Council of West Lancashire, under section 48(8) of the Local Government Act 1972(a), made recommendations to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England for proposals in relation to parishes in the district;

And whereas the said Commission, under sections 47 and 51(1) of the said Act, on 15th December 1980 and 15th October 1981, made such proposals, with a modification, to the Secretary of State for the Environment:

Now therefore the Secretary of State for the Environment, in exercise of his powers under sections 51(2) and 67(4) and (5) of the said Act and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order giving effect to the said proposals with modifications:—

*Title and commencement*

1. This order may be cited as the West Lancashire (Parishes) Order 1982.

2.— (1) 1st February 1983 is hereby specified as the day on which this order shall come into operation for any purposes set out in regulation 4(1) (Coming into operation of order) of the Regulations as modified by paragraph (2).

For all other purposes this order shall come into operation on the appointed day.

(2) In the said regulation 4(1), item (e) shall not apply in relation to the constitution of any new parish council.

*Interpretation*

3. In this order—

“the appointed day” means 1st April 1983;

“the county” means the County of Lancashire;

“the district” means the District of West Lancashire, and “the district council” means the council of the district;

“new parish” means a parish constituted by this order;

“new parish council” means a parish council established by this order;

“new parish ward” means a parish ward formed by this order;

“the proper officer”, in relation to any purpose, means the officer appointed for that purpose by the district council;

“the Regulations” means the Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976(a) as amended by the Local Government Area Changes (Amendment) Regulations 1978(b); and

“Schedule 1”, “Schedule 2” and “Schedule 3” mean Schedule 1, Schedule 2 and Schedule 3 to this order.

*The boundary maps*

4. In this order—

“the boundary maps” means the 15 maps numbered 1 to 3, 3a, 3b, 4, 4a to 4d, 5, 6, 6a, 7 and 8 printed for Her Majesty’s Stationery Office by Ordnance Survey, each such map being marked “Map referred to in the West Lancashire (Parishes) Order 1982” and with the number of the map; and

any reference to a numbered boundary map is a reference to the map described and numbered as aforesaid.

*Changes in areas*

5.—(1) Four new parishes to be known by the names specified in column (1) of Schedule 1 shall be constituted, such parishes consisting of the areas shown by the relevant continuous red lines on the boundary maps and remaining part of the Ormskirk petty sessional division and of the Preston and South West Lancashire coroner’s district. Any ward of the district named in column (1) of the following table shall comprise the areas specified in respect thereof in column (2).

Lathom	The new parish wards of Ellerbrook and St. John's as so shown.
Newburgh	The new parishes of Lathom and Newburgh.
Upholland North	The new parish wards of Newgate, Roby Mill and Village as shown by broken red lines on the boundary map.
Upholland South	The new parish wards of Chequer Lane, Crawford, Hall Green and Tontine as so shown.

Any electoral division of the county named in column (1) of the following table shall include the whole of any ward of the district specified in respect thereof in column (2) as existing on and after the appointed day.

TABLE

(1)	(2)
Skelmersdale East	Upholland North and Upholland South
West Lancashire East	Burscough, Lathom and Newburgh

(2) The part of the Parish of Wroughtington marked A1 on boundary maps 3a and 3b shall be transferred to the Parish of Bispham and shall form part of the West Lancashire East electoral division of the county and of the Parbold ward of the district.

(3) The parts of parishes described in column (1) of Schedule 2 and marked on the boundary maps as specified in column (2) shall cease to form part of any parish and shall form part of the electoral divisions of the county and wards of the district specified in respect thereof in columns (3) and (4).

(4) The parts of the areas of the former urban districts of Ormskirk and Skelmersdale and Holland marked on the boundary maps as specified in column (2) of Schedule 3 shall, in so far as parishes, wards thereof, electoral divisions of the county and wards of the district are specified in respect thereof in columns (3) to (6) form part of such areas.

*Parish councils*

6.— (1) There shall be a parish council for each new parish.

(2) As from 9th May 1983—

(a) the new parishes of Burscough and Up Holland shall be divided into the parish wards named in respect thereof in column (2) of Schedule 1, such wards consisting of the areas shown by the relevant broken red lines on the boundary maps; and

(b) the number of parish councillors for each new parish not divided into parish wards and for each new parish ward shall be that shown in respect of the parish or parish ward in column (3) of Schedule 1.

(3) The annual meeting of each new parish council for 1983 shall be convened by the proper officer of the district council.

*Councillors of new parishes*

7.—(1) From the appointed day to 9th May 1983, for the purposes of any action necessary in relation to matters transferred to the council by regulation 62 of the Regulations—

the Parish Council of Newburgh shall consist of the chairman and vice-chairman of the district council and the district councillor for the Newburgh ward; and

the parish council of any other new parish shall consist of the district councillors for the wards wholly or partly comprising the area of the parish.

(2) Parish councillors of the new parishes shall be elected on 5th May 1983. The persons elected shall come into office on 9th May 1983 and, subject to any provision made by virtue of section 67(5)(f) of the Local Government Act 1972, shall retire on the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1987.

*Parish meetings*

8.—(1) The first assembly of the parish meeting for any new parish shall be convened by the proper officer of the district council.

(2) At any such first assembly held before the annual meeting of the parish council of the parish, the parish meeting may appoint a person to take the chair, and that person shall have, for the purposes of that meeting, the powers and authority of the chairman.

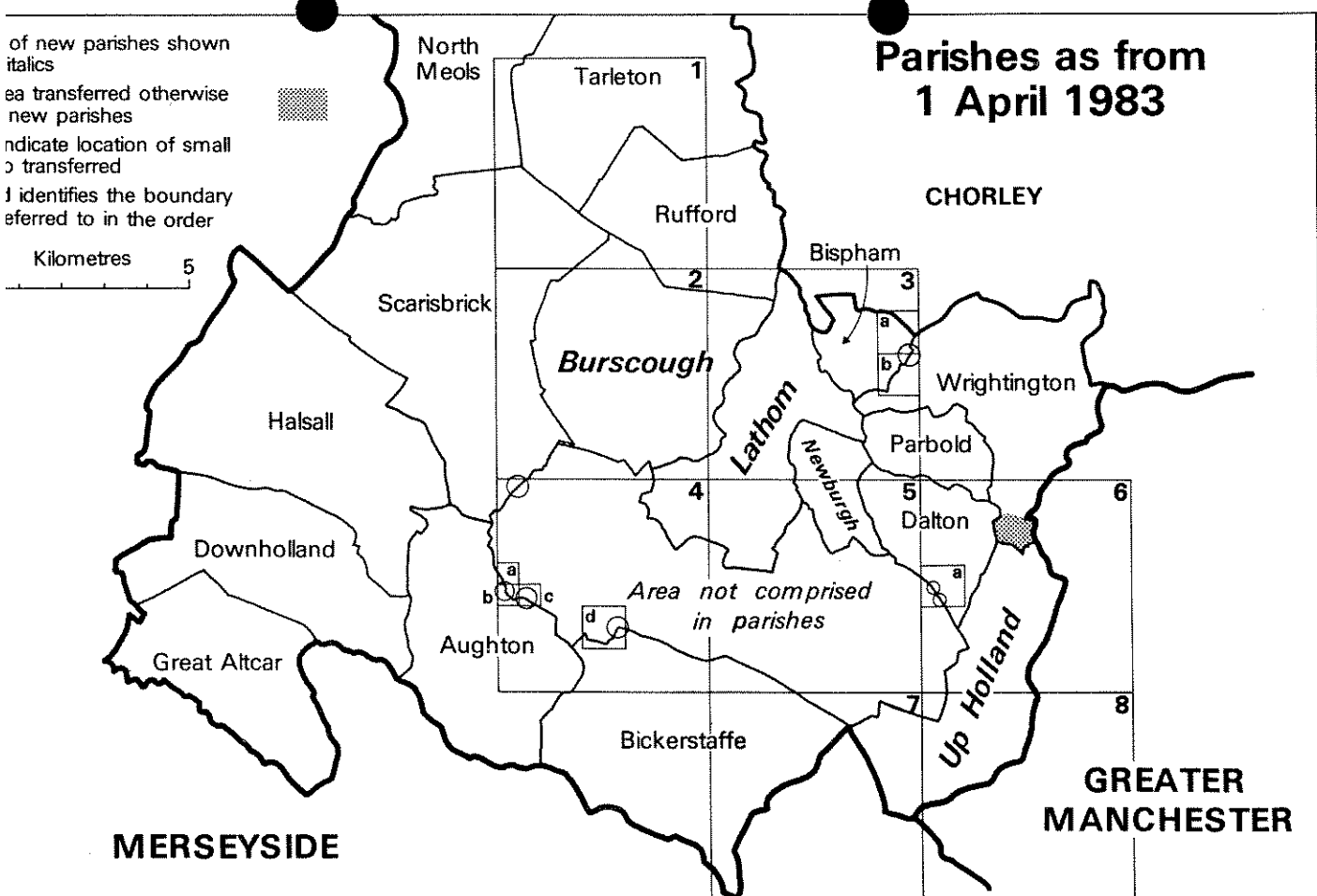
*Expenses of new parish councils*

9. In the year beginning on the appointed day the district council shall levy rates in each new parish and make payments to the new parish council as if the new parish council had issued a precept to the district council requiring the payment of a sum equal to the product of a rate of 0.25p in the pound calculated on the total rateable value as set out in the valuation list on the appointed day.

*Statutory definitions of areas*

10. In any application of paragraph (1) (certain definitions of areas) of regulation 40 of the Regulations to references to the areas of the former urban districts of Ormskirk and Skelmersdale and Holland the following provisions, namely—

“For any reference to the area of the former urban district of Ormskirk there shall be substituted references to—



**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This order effects the following operations in the District of West Lancashire—

- (a) the constitution of four new parishes, three in parts of the area of the former urban district of Ormskirk and the other in part of the area of the former urban district of Skelmersdale and Holland;
- (b) the transfer of part of a parish to another parish;
- (c) some adjustments between parishes and the part of the district not comprised in any parish.

The map forming part of this note shows the areas and incorporates a grid identifying the boundary maps referred to in article 4 of the order.

Prints of the maps referred to in article 4 of the order may be inspected at the offices of the district council. Prints may be purchased from the Department of the Environment's Map Library.

The approximate area, population and rateable value of the new parishes will be—

Parish	Area-hectares	Population	Rateable value-£
Burscough	2,010	8,390	956,815
Lathom	3,745	910	248,930
Newburgh	410	1,195	135,005
Up Holland	1,505	7,180	1,418,985

The order establishes a parish council for each new parish.

Incidental, consequential, transitional and supplementary provision in consequence of orders of the nature of the present one is contained in the Regulations defined in article 3 of the order.

The Regulations referred to will transfer property within the definition of "parish matters" in Schedule 6 therein from the district council to the new parish councils. A further transfer may be effected by a second order, when the district council and the new parish councils have been able to consider together.

the Parish of Up Holland; and the first mentioned area other than any area comprised in such parish or in the Parishes of Dalton and Wrightington." shall have effect in place of sub-paragraph (b) without prejudice to any operation of the said sub-paragraph in respect of any parish as altered.

*Local Acts, orders and byelaws*

11.—(1) The area of the former urban district of Ormskirk shall be a relevant area within the meaning of regulation 41 (Local Acts, orders and byelaws) of the Regulations and is hereby specified in relation to paragraph (4) of that regulation, and the area comprising—  
the new parishes of Burscough, Lathom and Newburgh;  
the first mentioned area other than any area comprised in such parishes or in the Parish of Aughton or Bickerstaffe; and  
the areas to which article 5(3) applies  
is hereby specified in relation to the first mentioned area.

(2) The area of the former urban district of Skelmersdale and Holland shall be a relevant area within the meaning of the said regulation and is hereby specified in relation to paragraph (4) of that regulation, and the area comprising—  
the new parish of Up Holland;  
the first mentioned area other than any area comprised in such parish or in the Parish of Dalton or Wrightington  
is hereby specified in relation to the first mentioned area.

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) are without prejudice to the operation of regulation 41(3) of the Regulations in respect of any parish as altered.

**SCHEDULE 1**  
**NEW PARISHES**

(1) Name of new parish	(2) Parish ward	(3) Number of parish councillors
<i>Parishes in the area of the former urban district of Ormskirk</i>		
Burscough	Burscough Town Ellerbrook New Lane Red Cat Richmond Park St John's Stanley	2 3 1 1 2 1 3 2
Lathom	—	7
Newburgh	—	8
<i>Parish in the area of the former urban district of Skelmersdale and Holland</i>		
Up Holland	Chequer Lane Crawford Hall Green Newgate Roby Mill Tontine Village	1 1 1 2 3 1 1 1

**SCHEDULE 2**

**PARTS OF PARISHES TO CEASE TO FORM PART OF PARISHES**

(1) Description	(2) Number of boundary map and marking of area	(3) County electoral division	(4) District ward
Parts of the Parish of Aughton	4b and 4c 4a and 4b	B1 B2	Knowsley
Part of the Parish of Scarisbrick	2 and 4	B3	Scott

**SCHEDULE 3**

**PARTS OF THE AREAS OF THE FORMER URBAN DISTRICTS OF ORMSKIRK AND SKELMERSDALE AND HOLLAND TO FORM PARTS OF PARISHES OTHER THAN NEW PARISHES**

(1) Description	(2) Number of boundary map and marking of area	(3) Parish	(4) Parish ward	(5) County electoral division	(6) District ward
Parts of the area of the former urban district of Ormskirk	4c C1 4b C2	Aughton	Aughton (North East)	West Lancashire South	Aughton Park
Part of the area of the former urban district of Ormskirk	4d C3	Bickerstaffe	—	West Lancashire South	Bickerstaffe
Parts of the area of the former urban district of Skelmersdale and Holland	6a C4 and C5	Dalton	—	West Lancashire East	Parbold
Part of the area of the former urban district of Skelmersdale and Holland	6 C6	Wrightington	Appley Bridge	Skelmersdale East	Wrightington