

2009 No. 120

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND**

**The Wansbeck (Parishes) Order 2009**

Made - - - - - *28<sup>th</sup> January 2009*  
Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 14 and 23 of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997(a), makes the following Order:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Wansbeck (Parishes) Order 2009.

(2) It shall come into force —

(a) for the purposes of this article and proceedings preliminary or relating to elections of parish councillors to be held on the ordinary day of election in 2009, on the day after that on which it is made;

(b) for all other purposes, on 1st April 2009.

(3) In this Order —

“the new parish” means the parishes constituted by articles 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of this Order; and

“the maps” means maps 1 and 2 prepared by the Department for Communities and Local Government, marked “Maps referred to in the Wansbeck (Parishes) Order 2009” and deposited in accordance with regulation 6(1) of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) Regulations 1999(b).

**Constitution of a new parish of Ashington**

2.—(1) A new parish, comprising the area outlined in blue and designated by the number (1) on map 1, shall be constituted within the district of Wansbeck.

(2) The name of the new parish shall be Ashington.

**Constitution of a new parish of Newbiggin by the Sea**

3.—(1) A new parish, comprising the area outlined in blue and designated by the number (2) on map 1, shall be constituted within the district of Wansbeck.

(a) 1997 c.29.  
(b) S.I. 1999/545.

(2) The name of the new parish shall be Newbiggin by the Sea.

#### **Constitution of a new parish of North Bedlington**

4.—(1) A new parish, comprising the area outlined in blue and designated by the number (3) on maps 1 and 2, shall be constituted within the district of Wansbeck.

(2) The name of the new parish shall be North Bedlington.

#### **Constitution of a new parish of East Bedlington**

5.—(1) A new parish, comprising the area outlined in blue and designated by the number (4) on maps 1 and 2, shall be constituted within the district of Wansbeck.

(2) The name of the new parish shall be East Bedlington.

#### **Constitution of a new parish of West Bedlington**

6.—(1) A new parish, comprising the area outlined in blue and designated by the number (5) on map 2, shall be constituted within the district of Wansbeck.

(2) The name of the new parish shall be West Bedlington.

#### **Directions to establish parish councils**

7. The Wansbeck District Council, acting through Northumberland County Council as the successor council, is directed to establish a parish council for each of the new parishes.

#### **Transitional Provisions**

8.—(1) Until the councillors elected to the councils of the new parishes at the elections to be held on the ordinary day of election in 2009 come into office, the new parish of Ashington shall be represented by those persons who are the elected councillors holding office immediately before the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009 for the electoral divisions of Ashington Central, Bothal, College, Haydon, Hirst and Seaton with Newbiggin West.

(2) Until the councillors elected to the councils of the new parishes at the elections to be held on the ordinary day of election in 2009 come into office, the new parish of Newbiggin by the Sea shall be represented by those persons who are the elected councillors holding office immediately before the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009 for the electoral divisions of Newbiggin Central and East, and Seaton with Newbiggin West.

(3) Until the councillors elected to the councils of the new parishes at the elections to be held on the ordinary day of election in 2009 come into office, the new parish of North Bedlington shall be represented by those persons who are the elected councillors holding office immediately before the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009 for the electoral divisions of Choppington, Stakeford and Sleekburn.

(4) Until the councillors elected to the councils of the new parishes at the elections to be held on the ordinary day of election in 2009 come into office, the new parish of East Bedlington shall be represented by those persons who are the elected councillors holding office immediately before the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009 for the electoral divisions of Bedlington East and Sleekburn.

(5) Until the councillors elected to the councils of the new parishes at the elections to be held on the ordinary day of election in 2009 come into office, the new parish of West Bedlington shall be represented by those persons who are the elected councillors holding office immediately before the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009 for the electoral divisions of Bedlington Central and Bedlington West.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order gives effect (without modifications) to recommendations resulting from a review conducted by the Wansbeck District Council for the creation of new parishes within the district of Wansbeck and the establishment of parish councils for those parishes. A map forming part of this note gives a general guide to the areas concerned.

Article 2 creates a new parish to be called Ashington.

Article 3 creates a new parish to be called Newbiggin by the Sea.

Article 4 creates a new parish to be called North Bedlington.

Article 5 creates a new parish to be called East Bedlington.

Article 6 creates a new parish to be called West Bedlington.

Article 7 directs the Wansbeck District Council, acting through Northumberland County Council as the successor council, to establish a parish council for each of the new parishes.

Article 8(1) provides for the parish of Ashington to be represented by the councillors elected for the electoral divisions of Ashington Central, Bothal, College, Haydon, Hirst and Seaton with Newbiggin West until councillors for the new parish, to be elected on the ordinary day of election in 2009, come into office.

Article 8(2) provides for the parish of Newbiggin by the Sea to be represented by the councillors elected for the electoral divisions of Newbiggin Central and East, and Seaton with Newbiggin West until councillors for the new parish, to be elected on the ordinary day of election in 2009, come into office.

Article 8(3) provides for the parish of North Bedlington to be represented by the councillors elected for the electoral divisions of Choppington, Stakeford and Sleekburn until councillors for the new parish, to be elected on the ordinary day of election in 2009, come into office.

Article 8(4) provides for the parish of East Bedlington to be represented by the councillors elected for the electoral divisions of Bedlington East and Sleekburn until councillors for the new parish, to be elected on the ordinary day of election in 2009, come into office.

Article 8(5) provides for the parish of West Bedlington to be represented by the councillors elected for the electoral divisions of Bedlington Central and Bedlington West until councillors for the new parish, to be elected on the ordinary day of election in 2009, come into office.

Article 9 specifies 1st April 2009 as the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) Regulations 1999, which make provision of general application in relation to orders such as this Order.

Prints of the maps referred to in the Order may be inspected at all reasonable hours at the offices of the Wansbeck District Council, Town Hall, Ashington, Northumberland NE63 8RX and at the Department for Communities and Local Government, Ashdown House, 123 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6DE.

**Order Date**

9. 1st April 2009 is the Order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) Regulations 1999.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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28 January 2009

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Only parishes affected  
by change are named

**New Parish named in bold italics**

