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LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES
CHANGES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS
The South Bedfordshire (Parishes)
Order 1985

Whereas the South Bedfordshire District Council, acting pursuant to section 48(8) of the Local Government Act 1972 (a), has made recommendations to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England for proposals about parishes in the district:

And whereas in consequence of those recommendations the Commission has seen fit, pursuant to sections 47, 48(9) and 51(1) of that Act, to make proposals to the Secretary of State:

And whereas the Secretary of State has decided to give effect to those proposals:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of his powers under sections 51(2) and 67(4) and (5) of that Act and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:-

Title and commencement

- 1. This order may be cited as the South Bedfordshire (Parishes) Order 1985.
- 2. (1) 18th January 1985 is hereby specified as the day on which this order shall come into operation for any purpose set out in regulation 4(1) (coming into operation of order) of the Regulations.
- (2) For all other purposes, this order shall come into operation on lst April 1985.

Interpretation

3. - In this order -

"the boundary maps" means the 11 maps (duly numbered for reference) which are issued by the Department of the Environment as "Maps of the South Bedfordshire (Parishes) Order 1985";

"county electoral division" means an electoral division of the county of Bedfordshire;

"the district council" means the South Bedfordshire District Council;

"district ward" means a ward of the district of South Bedfordshire;

"the new parish" means the parish of Dunstable created by article 4 of this order;

"the new parish council" means the parish council of Dunstable established by article 7 of this order; and

"the Regulations" means the Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976 (a).

⁽a) S.I. 1976/246, as amended by S.I. 1978/247.

Creation of new parish

4. There shall be created a new parish of Dunstable (shown outlined in red on boundary map 10) consisting of the areas described in column 1 below. Each such area shall be transferred to the county electoral division described in column 2.

Description of area comprised in new parish	County electoral division to which area is transferred
The unparished area of the former borough of Dunstable except for the part marked Cl.	Luton Rural No.2
That part of the parish of Caddington and Slip End marked Dl	Dunstable Central
That part of the parish of Caddington and Slip End marked D2	Dunstable South
Those parts of the parish of Houghton Regis marked D3, D4 and D5	Dunstable North
That part of the parish of Houghton Regis marked D6	Dunstable Central
Those parts of the parish of Kensworth marked D7, D8 and D9	Dunstable South

Nothing in this article shall affect the boundary of any petty sessional division or coroner's district.

Dunstable North

Other transfers between parishes

marked D10

That part of the parish of Totternhoe

- 5. Each area of a parish named in column 1 of the Schedule to this order which is marked as indicated in column 2 on the boundary map referred to in column 3 shall be transferred to the relevant parish mentioned in column 4. Where in that Schedule there is mentioned in relation to any area -
 - (a) a parish ward in column 5;
 - (b) a district ward in column 6;
 - (c) a county electoral division in column 7; or
 - (d) a petty sessional division in column 8 -

that area shall also be transferred to that ward or division.

Transfer from unparished area to parish

6. That part of the unparished area of the former borough of Dunstable marked C1 on boundary map 10 shall form part of the parish of Houghton Regis, and of the Houghton South parish and district ward.

New parish council and parish meeting

- 7. (1) There shall be a parish council for the new parish.
- (2) The new parish shall be divided into the 5 parish wards shown by broken red lines on boundary map 10, with the following names -

Dunstable Central

Priory

Icknield

Watling

Northfields

Each ward shall be represented by 3 parish councillors.

- (3) Elections of parish councillors of the new parish shall be held on such day before 1st April 1985 as the returning officer shall appoint. The persons elected shall come into office on 1st April 1985 and shall retire on the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1988.
- (4) The annual meeting of the new parish council for 1985 shall be held in April 1985 and shall be convened by the proper officer of the district council.
- (5) The first assembly of the parish meeting for the new parish shall be convened by the proper officer of the district council. If such first assembly is held before the annual meeting of the new parish council, 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.

New parish - district wards

8. The boundaries of the following district wards shall be altered so that they are identical to those of the new parish wards of the same name as created by article 7(2) and shown on boundary map 10 -

Priory Watling

Powers, privileges and rights

- 9. (1) Any privileges or rights belonging immediately before 1st April 1974 to the citizens of the former borough of Dunstable shall belong to the inhabitants of the new parish.
- (2) Any powers to appoint local officers of dignity exercisable immediately before 1st April 1985 by the Charter Trustees of the town of Dunstable shall be exercisable at and after their annual meeting for 1985 by the new parish council.

Dissolution of Charter trustees, town mayor, etc.

- 10. (1) For the purposes of regulation 12(2)(b) (Dissolution of Charter trustees) of the Regulations, the new parish council is hereby specified in respect of the town of Dunstable.
- (2) Regulation 12(4) of the Regulations shall not have effect until immediately before the annual meeting of the new parish council for 1985.

Expenses of new parish council

11. In the year beginning on 1st April 1985, the district council shall levy rates in the new parish, and make payments to the new parish council as if that new council had issued a precept to the district council requiring the payment of a sum equal to the product of a rate of 2.8p. in the pound, calculated on the total rateable value of the new parish as set out in the valuation list at the beginning of that financial year.

Houghton Regis Town Council

12. As from the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 1988, the number of town councillors for each ward of Houghton Regis shall be as follows-

Houghton	Centra	1	•	•	٠	٠	•	•	•	٠		•		•	6	
Houghton	East .			•	•			•	•		•				5	
Houghton	South												_		4	

Leighton - Linslade parish wards

13. In consequence of the changes effected by article 5, the boundaries of the Beaudesert, Brooklands and Plantation wards of the parish of Leighton - Linslade shall be altered to those shown by broken red lines on boundary map 1.

Statutory definitions of areas

14. For the purposes of regulation 40 (statutory definitions of areas) of the Regulations, any reference to the area of the former borough of Dunstable shall be construed as a reference to the parish of Dunstable.

Local Acts, orders and byelaws

15. Regulation 41 (Local Acts, orders and byelaws) of the Regulations shall apply to the area of the former borough of Dunstable as if it were a relevant area within the meaning of regulation 41(2). Any provision in force throughout the area of the former borough shall be in force throughout the new parish.

SCHEDULE

OTHER TRANSFERS BETWEEN PARISHES (ARTICLE 5)

Petty sessional division to which area is transferred (if any)	Leighton Buzzard	 Dunstable	Dunstable	ł i ł	1 1 1	ŧ ŧ	1
County electoral division to which area is transferred (if any)		- - Luton Rural No 4	Luton Rural No 3 Luton Rural No 5 Leighton-Linslade	No 2 Leighton-Linslade No 2 Luton Rural No 4	Leighton-Linslade No 2 Luton Rural No 4 Luton Rural No 4	Luton Rural No 4 Luton Rural No 4	Luton Rural No 4
District ward to which area is transferred (if any)	Streatley Beaudesert - Streatley	Toddington Stanbridge Totternhoe	Studham - Beaudesert	Brooklands Hockliffe	Plantation Hockliffe Heath and Reach	Totternhoe Stanbridge	Heath and Reach
Parish ward (If any) to which area is transferred	Beaudesert Chalton	Toddington	Beaudesert	Brooklands	Plantation -	1 1	ı
4 Parish to which area is transferred	Streatley Leighton- Linslade Hockliffe Toddington	Toddington Billington Totternhoe	Whipsnade Hockliffe Leighton- Linslade	Leighton- Linslade Eggington	Leighton- Linslade Eggington Heath and Reach	Totternhoe Billington	Heath and Reach
3 Reference number of relevant boundary map	6 7 8 8	Λ 9 ₂₄	11 2 1	2	e 22	7	n
Marking of area on boundary	A1 A2 A3 A4	A5 A7 A9	A10 A11 A12	A13	A15 A16 A17	A18 A19 A64	A20
l Parish from which area is transferred	Barton-le-Clay Billington Chalgrave Chalgrave	Eaton Bray	Eaton Bray Eggington Eggington	Eggington Heath and Reach	Heath and Reach Hockliffe Hockliffe	Houghton Regis Leighton- Linslade Leighton-	Linslade

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County electoral division to which area is transferred (if any)	Leighton-Linslade No 2	ı	ı		Luton Rural No 5	Luton Rural No 4		Luton Rural No 1		ı	Luton Rural No 2 Luton Rural No 3	
District ward to which area is transferred (if any)	Beaudesert	Barton-le-Clay	ŧ		- Hockliffe	Totternhoe	1	Hockliffe Streatley		Eaton Bray	Houghton South Kensworth	
Parish ward (if any) to which area is transferred	Beaudesert	ı	1		Chalton	t		t j		ł	Houghton South	
4 Parish to which area is transferred	Leighton- Linslade Totternhoe	Barton-le-Clay	Whipsnade		Toddington Hockliffe	Totternhoe	,	Chaigrave Sundon		Eaton Bray	Houghton Regis Kensworth	
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2 marking of area on boundary map	A21 A22 A23	A24 A30 A31	A33 A34 A35	A3	37 A38	A25 to A29	A39	A40, and	A41 A42	A43 A44	A45 and A47	
l Parish from which area is transferred	Stanbridge Stanbridge	Streatley		Sundon	Tilsworth	Tilsworth	Toddington	Toddington	Totternhoe		Totternhoe Totternhoe	

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Petty sessional division to which area is transferred (if any)	Leighton Buzzard	ı	ł	ı	
County electoral division to which area is transferred (if any)	Luton Rural No 4	Luton Rural No 5	Luton Rural No 3	ı	
bistrict ward to which area is transferred (if any)	Stanbridge	Stanbridge	Studham	Kensworth	
S Parish ward (if any) to which area is transferred	1	1	ı	ı	
4 Parish to which area is transferred	Stanbridge	Tilsworth	Whipsnade	Kensworth	
Reference number of relevant boundary map	7	7	11	11	
2 marking of area on boundary map	A48 to A53 (inclusive)	A54 A55 to		A63 (inclusive)	
l Parish from Which area is transferred	Totternhoe	Totternhoe Totternhoe	Whitness de		

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State 17th January 1985

D C Pickup,

An Under Secretary in the

Department of the Environment

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the order.)

This order affects parishes in the district of South Bedfordshire. A new parish of Dunstable is created from part of the area of the former borough of Dunstable and parts of adjoining parishes. The rest of the area of the former borough is transferred to the parish of Houghton Regis. Other transfers of land between parishes are made.

The map forming part of this note (page 11) gives a general guide to the areas affected by this order.

Prints of the detailed boundary maps, which form part of the order and are referred to in article 3, may be inspected at the offices of the district council, and may be purchased from the Department of the Environment's Map Library, 2 Marsham Street, London SW1.

The new parish will have approximately an area of 935.4 hectares, a population of 35,849 and a rateable value of £8,370.000.

The order establishes a parish council for the new parish.

Consequential changes are made to local government electoral areas.

The Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976, mentioned in article 3, contain further provisions about the effect and implementation of orders such as the present one.

