

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

## The Shropshire (Reorganisation of Community Governance) (Parishes of Abdon and Heath) Order 2016

Made - - - - - 9<sup>th</sup> November 2016

*Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)*

Shropshire Council (“the council”), in accordance with section 82 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (“the 2007 Act”), has undertaken a community governance review and made recommendations dated September 2016:

The council has decided to give effect to those recommendations and, in accordance with section 93 of the 2007 Act, has consulted with the local government electors and other interested persons and has had regard to the need to secure that community governance reflects the identities and interests of the community and is effective and convenient:

The council, in accordance with section 100 of the 2007 Act, has had regard to guidance issued under that section:

The council makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 86, 98(3), and 240(10) of the 2007 Act.

### **Citation and commencement**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Shropshire Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) (Parishes of Abdon and Heath) Order 2016.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4) below, this Order comes into force on 1st April 2017.

(3) Article 8 shall come into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2017

(4) For the purposes of:

(a) this article; and

(b) proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of parish councillors for the parish of Abdon and Heath, to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2017,

this Order shall come into force on the day after that on which it is made.

### **Interpretation**

2. In this Order—

“county” means the county of Shropshire;

“existing” means existing on the date this Order is made;

“map” means the map marked “Map referred to in the Shropshire Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) (Parishes of Abdon and Heath) Order 2016” and deposited in accordance with section 96(4) of the 2007 Act; and any reference to a numbered sheet is a reference to the sheet of the map which bears that number;

“new parish” means the parish constituted by article 5;

“ordinary day of election of councillors” has the meaning given by section 37 of the Representation of the People Act 1983; and

“registration officer” means an officer appointed for the purpose of, and in accordance with, section 8 of the Representation of the People Act 1983.

### **Effect of Order**

3. This Order has effect subject to any agreement under section 99 (agreements about incidental matters) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 relevant to any provision of this Order.

### **Dissolving the Abdon and Heath group of parishes under the Abdon and Heath Parish Council**

4.—(1) The Abdon and Heath group of parishes shall be dissolved.

(2) The Parish Council of Abdon and Heath for the Abdon and Heath group of parishes shall be wound up and dissolved.

### **Amalgamation of existing parishes of Abdon and Heath and constitution of new parish of Abdon and Heath**

5.—(1) The existing parishes of Abdon and Heath shall be amalgamated to constitute a new parish comprising the area outlined in black on the map.

(2) The new parish shall be known as Abdon and Heath.

(3) In consequence of paragraph (1), the existing parishes of Abdon and Heath shall cease to exist.

### **Parish council for the parish of Abdon and Heath**

6.—(1) There shall be a parish council for the parish of Abdon and Heath.

(2) The name of that council shall be “The Parish Council of Abdon and Heath”

### **Election for the parish of Abdon and Heath**

7. The election of all parish councillors for the parish of Abdon and Heath shall be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2017

### **Number of parish councillors for the parish of Abdon and Heath**

8. The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Abdon and Heath shall be five.

### **Annual meeting of parish council**

9. The annual meeting of the new parish council in 2017 shall be convened by the Chairman of the existing grouped Parish Council for the Parishes of Abdon and Heath. The meeting shall take place no later than 14 days after the day on which the councillors elected to the new parish council take office.

**Electoral register**

10. The registration officer for the county shall make such rearrangement of, or adaptation of, the register of local government electors as may be necessary for the purposes of, and in consequence of, this Order.

**Transitional provision**

11. Until the councillors elected to the council of the new parish of Abdon and Heath at the elections to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2017 come into office, the new parish shall be represented by those persons who immediately before 1st April 2017 are the elected councillors for the existing grouped Parish Council for the Parishes of Abdon and Heath.

**Order date**

12. 1st April 2017 is the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008(f).

Sealed with the seal of the council on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 2016

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9<sup>th</sup> November 2016

[Signature]  
[Title of signatory]

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Shropshire Council for the new parish of Abdon and Heath, created within the county of Shropshire.

The parish of Abdon and Heath will be created with effect from 1 April 2017. The electoral arrangements apply in respect of parish elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2017.

Article 7 provides for parish elections in the parish of Abdon and Heath in 2017, and then to continue according to the established system of parish elections every four years.

Article 8 specifies the numbers of parish councillors for the new parish of Abdon and Heath.

Article 10 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

The map defined in article 2 shows the parish of Abdon and Heath. It is available, at all reasonable times, at the offices of Shropshire Council.