

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

The Bracknell Forest Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2022

Made 21 December 2022

Coming into force in accordance with Article 1

Bracknell Forest ("the Council"), in accordance with section 82 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007(a) ("the 2007 Act"), has undertaken a community governance review and made recommendations.

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), 98(4), 98(6) and 240(10) of the 2007 Act.

Citation and commencement

- 1** (1) This Order may be cited as the Bracknell Forest Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2022.
- (2) Subject to paragraph 3 below, this order shall come into force on 1 April 2023
- (3) For the purposes of:
 - (a) this article, and
 - (b) proceedings preliminary or relating to the elections of parish councillors, to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2023, this Order shall come into force on the day after that on which it is made.

Interpretation

- 2** In this Order —

"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.

Election of Parish Councillors

- 4** The election of all parish and town councillors shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2023. The term of office of every parish councillor elected on the Ordinary Day of Election of Councillors shall be four years.

Alteration of parish areas and the areas of parish wards

- 5** Existing parish and town council arrangements are amended as reflected in the summary of changes at Annexe A 1-6 of this Order.

Electoral register

- 6** The Registration Officer for the Borough 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.

Order date

- 7** The 21 December 2022 is the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

THE COMMON SEAL of BRACKNELL
FOREST COUNCIL was hereunto
affixed in the presence of:

.....
Authorised Officer

on the 21st day of December 2022

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Bracknell Forest Council for the alteration of the areas of the parish and town councils within the borough of Bracknell Forest.

The electoral arrangements apply in respect of parish and town council elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors on Thursday 4 May 2023.

Article 5 provides for alterations to parish and town council areas.

Article 6. obliges the Electoral Registration Officer to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

The maps defined in Annex A show the alterations to parishes and towns. They are available for inspection during normal working hours at the offices of Bracknell Forest Council, Time Square, Market Street, Bracknell, Berkshire, RG121JD.