# LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

# The Warrington Borough Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2024

Made 7th March 2024 Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2)

Warrington Borough 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 December 2023:

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), and 240(10) of the 2007 Act.

#### Citation and commencement

- (1) This Order may be cited as the Warrington Borough Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2024.
- (2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4) below, this Order comes into force on 1st April 2024.
- (3) Articles 4 to 9 shall come into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024.
- (4) For the purposes of:
  - (a) this article,
  - (b) proceedings preliminary or relating to the elections of parish councillors for the reconstituted parishes of Winwick and Poulton with Fearnhead including the new parish wards of Cinnamon Brow and Longbarn and Fearnhead to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024, and this Order shall come into force on the day after that on which it is made.

#### Interpretation

1. In this Order—

"borough" means the borough of Warrington;

"existing" means existing on the date this Order is made;

"map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the Warrington Borough Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2024" 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;

"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**

2. 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.

#### Alteration of parish areas and the areas of parish wards

- 3. (1) The area hatched in black and designated as "A" on the map shall cease to be part of the parish of Winwick and the Houghton Green ward of that parish (polling districts NTE and NTE/1) and shall become part of the parish of Poulton with Fearnhead and merged with polling district NTA in the Poulton with Fearnhead Parish Council area shown on the map to create a new Parish Ward for Poulton with Fearnhead and to amend the boundaries of the existing Parish Ward of Longbarn, Fearnhead and Cinnamon Brow by the removal of polling district NTA into the new Parish ward.
  - (2) The Houghton Green Ward of Winwick Parish Council shall be abolished.
  - (3) The name of the Parish Ward transferred to Poulton with Fearnhead shall be "Cinnamon Brow"
  - (4) The name of the Parish Ward created from the remaining part of the Longbarn, Fearnhead and Cinnamon Brow Parish Ward shall be "Longbarn and Fearnhead.

# Elections for the parishes of Winwick and Poulton with Fearnhead [Parish elections]

- 4. (1) The elections of all parish councillors for the parishes of Winwick and Poulton with Fearnhead shall be held simultaneously on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024 and thereafter every four years.
  - (2) The term of office of every parish councillor elected on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024 for the parishes of Winwick and Poulton with Fearnhead shall be four years.
  - (3) Where any provision of an Order made before the making of this Order requires an election of parish councillors for a parish mentioned above to be held on a date other than that for which this Order provides, it shall cease to have effect to that extent.

### Number of parish councillors for the parish of Winwick

5. The number of councillors to be elected for the Parish of Winwick shall be six (6), three (3) for the Parish Ward of Winwick and three (3) for the Parish Ward of Peel Hall.

# Number of parish councillors for the parish of Poulton with Fearnhead

6. The number of councillors to be elected for the Parish of Poulton with Fearnhead shall be sixteen (16), two (2) for the Parish Ward of Blackbrook, four (4) for the Parish Ward of Bruche, four (4) for the Parish Ward of Cinnamon Brow, five (5) for the Parish Ward of Longbarn and Fearnhead and one (1) for the Parish Ward of Paddington.

# Electoral register

7. 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.

### Transfer of property, rights and liabilities

8. The land, property, rights and liabilities of Winwick Parish Council which relate to the transferred area shall transfer from the Winwick Parish Council to the Poulton with Fearnhead

Parish Council on the 1st April 2024 in accordance with Regulation 7 of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

# Order date

9. 1st April 2024 is the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

Sealed with the seal of the council on the 7th day of March 2024

The Common Seal of WARRINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL Was hereunto affixed in the presence of:-

**Authorised Signatory** 

PAUL CLISBY LEGAL SERVICES MANAGER (CORPORATE)

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Warrington Borough Council for the alteration of the areas of the parishes of Winwick and Poulton with Fearnhead

The parishes of Winwick and Poulton with Fearnhead will be altered with effect from 1 April 2024. The electoral arrangements apply in respect of parish elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2024.

Article 5 provides for parish elections in the parishes of Winwick and Poulton with Fearnhead in 2024, and then to continue according to the established system of parish elections every four years.

Articles 6 and 7 specifies the numbers of parish councillors for the new parishes of Winwick and Poulton with Fearnhead.

Articles 4, 6 and 7 and the map establish the names and areas of the wards of the new parishes of Winwick and Poulton with Fearnhead and the numbers of councillors for each ward.

Article 8 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 amended wards of the parish of Poulton with Fearnhead. It is available, at all reasonable times, at the offices of Warrington Borough Council.

