LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

The Coventry City Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2015

Made..................... 5th October 2015

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

Coventry City Council ("the council"), in accordance with section 83 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 ("the 2007 Act"), has undertaken a community governance review and made recommendations dated 23 June 2015.

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

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Coventry City Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2015.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4) below, this Order comes into force on 1st April 2016.

(3) Article 8 shall come into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2016.

(4) For the purposes of:

    (a)   this article,

    (b)   article 5; and

    (c)   proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of parish councillors for the parish of Finham, to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2016,

this Order shall come into force on 15th October 2015.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"city" means the city of Coventry;

"map" means the map marked "Map referred to in the Coventry City Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order 2015" 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

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.

Constitution of a new parish

4.—(1) A new parish, comprising the area outlined with a blue line on the map, shall be constituted within the city.

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

Calculation of budget requirement

5. For the purposes of regulation 3 of the Local Government Finance (New Parishes) (England) Regulations 2008 there is specified in relation to the parish of Finham the sum of £24,266.

Parish council for the parish of Finham

6.—(1) There shall be a parish council for the parish of Finham.

(2) The name of that council shall be "The Parish Council of Finham".
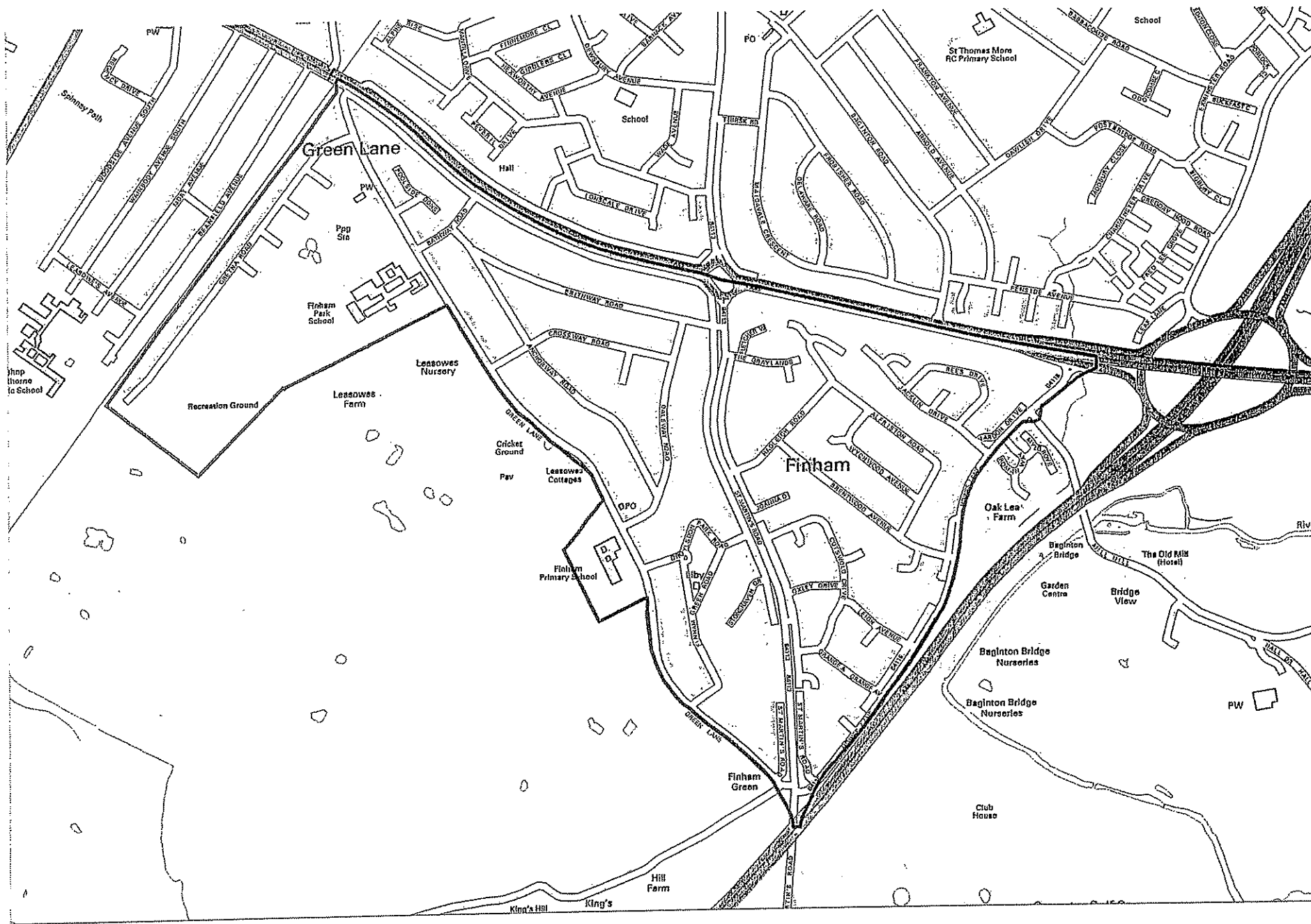
Election for the parish of Finham

7.—(1) The election of all parish councillors for the parish of Finham shall be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2016.

(2) The term of office of every parish councillor elected on the ordinary day of election of councillors in May 2016 for the parish of Finham shall be three years with a further election taking place on the ordinary day of election in May 2019 and every fourth year thereafter notwithstanding that the first such election shall be within a period shorter than four years.

Number of parish councillors for the parish of Finham

8. The number of councillors to be elected for the parish of Finham shall be ten.

Annual meeting of parish council

9. The annual meeting of the new parish council in 2016 shall be convened by the Executive Director of Resources of the Coventry City Council. 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 city 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.
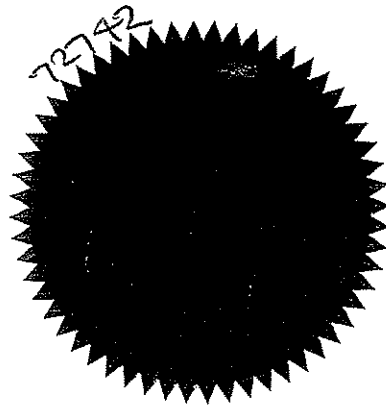
Transitional provision

11. Until the councillors elected to the council of the new parish of Finham at the elections to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2016 come into office, the new parish shall be represented by those persons who immediately before 1st April 2016 are the elected councillors for the city wards of Wainbody.

Order date

12. 1st April 2016 is the order date for the purposes of the Local Government (Parishes and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008.

Sealed with the common seal of the Council on the 5th day of October 2015.

Authorised Signatory

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect to recommendations made by Coventry City Council for the creation of the new parish of Finham within the city of Coventry.

The parish of Finham will be created effect from 1 April 2016. The electoral arrangements apply in respect of parish elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2016.

Article 7 provides for parish elections in the parish of Finham in 2016, 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 Finham as ten.

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 new the parish of Finham. It is available, at all reasonable times, at the offices of Coventry City Council.