



Local Government Act 1972

1972 CHAPTER 70

PART I

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS AND AUTHORITIES IN ENGLAND

Parishes

[^{F1}11A Grouping: alternative styles

- (1) An order under section 11(1) which forms a new group may make the provision set out in subsection (3).
- (2) But the order must make that provision in either of these cases—
 - (a) if at least one of the parishes which is to be grouped does not have an alternative style, and at least one of them does have an alternative style;
 - (b) if at least one of the parishes which is to be grouped has an alternative style, and at least one of them has a different alternative style.
- (3) The provision referred to in subsections (1) and (2) is—
 - (a) provision that each of the parishes in the group shall have an alternative style, or
 - (b) provision that each of the parishes in the group which has an alternative style shall cease to have an alternative style.
- (4) Provision made by virtue of subsection (3)(a)—
 - (a) must provide for each of the parishes to have the same alternative style;
 - (b) may provide for each of the parishes to have an alternative style which any of them already has;
 - (c) has the effect that each parish in the new group shall cease to have any different alternative style which it had before the provision was made.
- (5) An order under section 11(1) which adds one or more parishes to an existing group must make the provision set out in subsection (6) if—
 - (a) the parishes in the group do not have an alternative style, and

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- (b) at least one of the parishes which is to be added has an alternative style.
- (6) The provision referred to in subsection (5) is provision that each added parish which has an alternative style shall cease to have an alternative style.
- (7) An order under section 11(1) which adds one or more parishes to an existing group must make the provision set out in subsection (8) if—
 - (a) the parishes in the group have an alternative style, and
 - (b) at least one of the parishes which is to be added—
 - (i) has a different alternative style, or
 - (ii) does not have any of the alternative styles.
- (8) The provision referred to in subsection (7) is provision that each added parish shall (if it does not already have the style) have the same alternative style as the parishes already in the group.
- (9) If an order makes provision under subsection (1) or (2) for parishes to have an alternative style, the group shall have the appropriate one of the following styles—
 - (a) “group of communities”;
 - (b) “group of neighbourhoods”;
 - (c) “group of villages”.
- (10) As soon as practicable after making an order which includes any provision under this section, the council which makes the order must give notice of the change of style to all of the following—
 - (a) the Secretary of State;
 - (b) the [^{F2}Local Government Boundary Commission for England];
 - (c) the Office of National Statistics;
 - (d) the Director General of the Ordnance Survey;
 - (e) any district council or county council within whose area the parish lies.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 11A, 11B inserted (13.2.2008) by Local Government and Public Involvement in [Health Act 2007](#) (c. 28), [ss. 75\(2\)](#), [245\(5\)](#); S.I. 2008/337, [art. 2\(a\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 11A(10)(b) substituted (1.4.2010) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009](#) (c. 20), [ss. 67\(1\)](#), [148\(3\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 3](#); S.I. 2009/3318, [art. 4\(ff\)](#)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 80(3B) omitted by [2021 asc 1 Sch. 2 para. 1\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 101(6ZA) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 12 para. 2](#)
- s. 123(2C) inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 75](#)
- s. 131(2)(n) and word inserted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 16](#)