



# **Review of Electoral Divisions of the Isle of Wight 2007**

## **Appendix 3 40 Ward Proposals Supplement**

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Current Polling Districts	Polling Districts grouped geographically	Proposed Electoral Wards to reflect community identity and electoral equality	Electorate totals
Seaview Nettlestone	Seaview and Nettlestone	Seaview and Nettlestone: Two charming villages linked by a single parish council and sharing many local facilities such as local primary school, post office and local hostelrys. There are a number of local community groups representing specialist groups who work closely with the Parish Council. An area traditionally accepted as an established community.	2873
Fishbourne Havenstreet	Havenstreet, Fishbourne, Brading, St Helens, Bembridge North and Bembridge South	Part of Brading bordering Havenstreet, the village of Havenstreet and Fishbourne: A shared feature of these communities is the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty they are located within and a thriving community spirit. The parishes work closely and share good practice and geographically they lie in close proximity to each other. A number of issues are common to them such as main routes for busy ferry traffic and a lack of affordable housing.	2564
Brading		A small area of Bembridge North and Brading adjacent to St Helens and the village of St Helens: A close neighbour to Bembridge and sharing many of its features the village of St Helens sits on the eastern promontory of the Island. It is a traditional Village, with its community facilities mostly set around a village green. It is a community, which is supported and represented by a vibrant parish council.	2563
Bembridge South St Helens Bembridge North		Bembridge South and the remainder of Bembridge North: situated on the eastern headland of the Isle of Wight, separated from its nearest neighbour, St Helens, by the Bembridge Harbour and marina. It is further unconnected from bordering towns and villages by a number of natural geographic features. It enjoys a thriving and strong community spirit evidenced by a number of active village groups. The parish council provides a strong voice for this bustling community. The village has an airport with links to the mainland and plans for further expansion.	2563

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Sandown North Sandown Yaverland	Sandown North, Yaverland, Sandown South1 and Sandown South2	Yaverland and Sandown North: Situated at the eastern end of the town of Sandown slightly apart from the main shopping precinct. It enjoys a more rural aspect and rugged coastline, which attract extreme sports enthusiasts.	2596
Sandown South 1 Sandown South 2		Sandown South 1 & 2: This area is located in the centre of Sandown and boasts a thriving shopping centre. The town council is very active and works alongside community groups in the interests of the community. The centre of Sandown includes community facilities such as the town council office, medical centre, library and main post office confirming it as the heart of this community.	3061
Lake North	Lake North, Lake South, Shanklin North, Shanklin South, Shanklin Central	An area of Lake South bordering Lake North and Lake North: This is an area, which forms part of the Sandown Bay regeneration programme. It borders Sandown in the north and includes a bustling shopping centre within its confines. Its Middle School is one of the primary feeder schools to Sandown High School, which sits in the heart of this ward.	2911
Lake South		Part of Lake South bordering Shanklin North and a large area of Shanklin North: this ward is largely made up of hotels and bed and breakfast type establishments and therefore has a very "touristy" feel about it. It is served by an aspiring quality parish council who are very involved in the Bay Area regeneration.	2911
Shanklin North		A small area of Shanklin North and the majority of Shanklin Central: This ward is predominately the shopping centre area of Shanklin together with the Old Village, which is made up of a number of thatched shops, restaurants and hostelrys. It is the heart of the tourist area of Shanklin and is represented by a thriving town council.	2911

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Shanklin Central Shanklin South		A small area of Shanklin Central and Shanklin South: This is the residential area of Shanklin and is made up of a diverse section of the community. From very large old Victorian mansions to smaller social housing groupings. The area has seen much redevelopment over the last few years but still retains its own Victorian character.	2913
Ventnor East Bonchurch	Godshill, Lowtherville, Wroxall, Ventnor East, Bonchurch, Ventnor West, St Lawrence, Niton, Whitwell, Chale and Chale Green	Ventnor East and Bonchurch: This is generally a residential area of Ventnor, which includes the village of Bonchurch. Its picturesque backdrop of St Boniface Down separates it from its nearest neighbour Shanklin.	2742
Godshill Wroxall		Godshill and Wroxall: This ward comprises two typical English country villages. Godshill, the quintessential English Village, with its thatched houses, deriving its name from the 15 <sup>th</sup> Century church set upon a hill overlooking the village. The village is a magnet for many thousands of visiting tourists each year. Village life centres on the primary school, community centre, two public houses and village post office and general store. Godshill is bordered on the South East by the bustling village of Wroxall. Slightly less touristy but home to Appuldurcombe House, two village churches, a primary school and a thriving community centre. The two villages are bordered by agricultural and farming land.	2685
Ventnor West Lowtherville St Lawrence		Ventnor West, Lowtherville and St Lawrence: This ward forms the heart of Ventnor and centres around the main shopping. It has many hotels and small guesthouses and includes the picturesque Undercliff, Botanic Gardens, harbour and Rew Down. It is home to the town's library, a number of primary schools and a middle school. It has undergone much development in and around the town and is seeing a number of new shops and businesses springing up. Its Town Council is housed in the local Winter Gardens; a well used community facility looking out over the Channel.	2605

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Niton Whitwell Chale Chale Green		Niton and Whitwell, Chale and Chale Green: A group of neighbouring rural villages located in the southerly tip of the Island and sharing a number of issues – under threat of losing their post offices, and in one case the village school, they all rely on a subsidised rural bus service. All of these villages are currently grouped in the same police beat area, which means that they share similar crime rates. Village facilities of Niton and Whitwell are to be found more commonly in Niton, which has a GP's surgery, two public houses, a library, a recreation ground, a football field and a primary school. Both Niton and Whitwell are served by one parish council. Chale and Chale Green are located on the western boundary of Niton and an area with a colourful smuggling history. There is a strong community spirit in the village, which boasts an accredited quality parish council and a number of active community groups. This was nationally recognised through their regional success in the Calor Village of the Year competition in 2005. Chale published their parish plan in 2005 setting out the village's vision for the future.	2590
Newchurch Apse Heath Arreton	Newchurch, Apse Heath and Arreton	Newchurch & Apse Heath & Arreton: A group of villages located in the rural heart of the Island and sharing many similar elements. A dependency on transport to reach the nearest shops, growing pressures for affordable housing and a lack of local community facilities. Newchurch has seen some recent development in housing suitable for families in the centre of the village, which will be served by the local primary school. Arreton and Apse Heath are both located on a busy main road and share the inherent problems that brings. Both Arreton and Newchurch have their own primary school and are represented by the Newchurch Parish Council.	3018

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Gatcombe Shorwell Brighstone Rookley Blackwater Brook Mottistone	Gatcombe, Shorwell, Brighstone, Brook, Mottistone, Rookley and Blackwater	<p>Rookley, Blackwater, Gatcombe, Shorwell, Brighstone, Brook, Mottistone: All of these villages are located within an area of outstanding natural beauty, are rural in nature and are in the south western part of the Island. Brighstone being the largest and the remainder of a similar size. Many of the issues facing these villages are shared such as a reliance on a subsidised rural bus service, under threat of losing post offices and other village facilities, similar crime rates and a lack of affordable housing. There is an abundance of agricultural and farming, in these areas. Brighstone, with its thatched cottages, has a number of holiday establishments close by and becomes a haven for tourists in the holiday season, when its population increases considerably. It has a thriving village centre which includes a school, library, village post office and community centre. Rookley village is located close to Blackwater and is represented by a quality parish council. It has a village green and a local convenience store and post office. It has seen some housing development over the years but manages to retain its individual character. Blackwater is a tiny rural hamlet neighbouring Rookley and includes a large residential home for the elderly. It is to be found on the main road from Newport to Shanklin. The group of villages is currently served by four parish councils.</p>	3053
Yarmouth Thorley Shalfleet 1 Shalfleet 2 Shalfleet 3 Porchfield Calbourne	Yarmouth, Thorley, Shalfleet 1, 2, 3, Porchfield and Calbourne	<p>Yarmouth, Thorley, Shalfleet 1, 2, 3, Porchfield and Calbourne: Geographically close neighbours yet each with a distinct identity, Yarmouth with its roots in sailing, has a prosperous feel and a busy shopping centre. The town, where the population increases dramatically in the sailing season, is home to the local ferry terminal and heavy traffic throughout the year. Shalfleet, the embodiment of a typical English village with its thatched houses and village church. The village primary school is an "extended school" and provides the community with a range of out of hours facilities. Porchfield and Calbourne, tiny picturesque villages to the north and south of Shalfleet with a strong sense of community evidenced by a number of community projects. This proposed ward is served by three parish councils.</p>	3055

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Totland	Totland, Freshwater Afton, Freshwater Norton 1 and Freshwater Norton 2	Totland: Located at the most westerly point of the Island, it is a popular destination for holidaymakers, walkers and cyclists. Its closest neighbour is Freshwater with which it shares a library, health and sports centre. That said, Totland sees itself very much as a separate community; taking pride in its beaches, pier, Victorian villas and parade of shops. There are well-advanced plans to provide a community centre to complement the recreation facilities in the village. Totland has a strong sense of community, evidenced by its thriving parish council. In addition, the Totland community partnership, a flourishing community group works closely with the parish council. They are jointly formulating the Totland parish plan, which sets out the strategic vision for the future to improve village life.	2562
Freshwater Afton		Freshwater 1: The village of Freshwater lies between the parishes of Totland and Yarmouth on the western headland of the island. In recent years it has seen much development and has become the thriving, bustling hub of the West Wight. It provides many facilities to the residents of Freshwater and Totland including the local medical centre, library, sports centre, recreation ground and swimming pool.	2566
Freshwater Norton 1 Freshwater Norton 2		Freshwater 2: See above, in addition the two wards are served by the same Parish Council who are currently formulating a delivery plan for their parish plan which will include a village design statement.	2566
Northwood	Northwood, Gurnard, Cowes Castle East, Cowes Castle West, Cowes Central & Cowes Medina	Gurnard and the majority of Northwood: These are two villages that are located in the rural areas bordering Cowes. The villages are home to primary and middle schools, which add much to the sense of community prevalent in these villages. Gurnard borders the seafront and has a thriving parish council, which forms the focal point for community activity. There are a range of small shops and local post office and a large holiday camp. The village therefore has its fair share of tourists in the summer months. Northwood is somewhat different in character to its nearest neighbour in that it borders the County town of Newport and the River Medina, which gives it a more town like feel. It has a flourishing and active community evidenced by the management committee, which acts as a shadow town council.	2995



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Gurnard		Cowes has been split into three wards each with its own distinct identity. The remainder of Northwood, Cowes Medina and a small area of Cowes Central: This ward borders the River Medina and is largely residential. Houses are generally of the older type of Victorian terraces together with an area of social housing. This said, a strong sense of community prevails evident by a number of active community groups.	2995
Cowes Castle East		The larger parts of Cowes Central and Cowes Castle West: This is an area of Cowes that includes a large proportion of social housing together with new build affordable housing for families. Community facilities include schools, recreation ground and health centre.	2995
Cowes Castle West Cowes Central Cowes Medina		The remaining area of Cowes Castle West and a large area of Cowes Castle East: this is an area, which is located for the large part along the seafront. It includes a large number of hotels and Victorian houses, a number of which are used as holiday residences. The thriving shopping centre can be found here, together with the other main facilities for the Cowes population such as the library, banks and passenger ferry terminal. It is also home to the Royal Yacht squadron.	2998
Osborne	Osborne, part Whippingham, East Cowes North and East Cowes South	The larger area of Whippingham, Osborne and approx half of East Cowes South: The village of Whippingham is separated from the urban town of East Cowes by a belt of green fields. The village is proud of its links with Queen Victoria evidenced by the local church of St Mildred. The community centre, primary school and post office provide the village centre. All well used by the local community. Currently it is represented by a very active management committee who act as a shadow parish council.	3128



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Whippingham East Cowes North		The remainder of East Cowes South and East Cowes North: This ward covers the urban areas of East Cowes which is currently undergoing a massive regeneration programme and is enjoying a rise in property values as a result. It has a fairly large industrial area and is home to the 24-hour car ferry terminal. This in itself provides a number of issues around traffic volume and flow through the town. It is served by an active town council and a number of diverse community groups. It has a fairly large shopping centre, which is well used by local people. It has a medical centre and a number of local hostelrys and restaurants.	3128
Wootton Bridge	Wootton Bridge	Wootton Bridge: Situated on the north headland of the Island with Wootton Creek running through its centre. The village is adjacent to one of the main car ferry links to the mainland, and is subject to heavy levels of traffic from this link. Wootton Bridge Parish Council is a quality parish and extremely active, and has successfully attracted a large number of grants, enabling them enhance community facilities. They are currently involved with the development and implementation of a public realm strategy which will involve further grant funding and will shortly become a pilot area for the Isle of Wight Council's devolution programme. The village has a thriving community centre, public houses, and a variety of shops. It boasts a plethora of walks, and trails for ramblers and nature lovers.	2922
Binstead Ryde North West  Ryde North East	Binstead, Haylands, Ryde North West, Ryde North East, Ryde South East 1, Ryde South East 2, Ryde South West 1, Ryde South West 2, Ryde St Johns East, Ryde St Johns West	Binstead and part of Ryde North West: This ward is made up of a large social housing estate together with larger, more expensive housing with private beaches. It borders the nearby parish of Fishbourne and is home to Binstead Golf Course and a local primary and middle school.  The remainder of Ryde North West and part of Ryde North East: This ward has seen much regeneration in recent years and is in the very heart of Ryde. It comprises the main shopping centre, town hall, library and a plethora of eating and drinking establishments. The housing in this area comprises mostly flats and bedsits and there is evidence of a transient population. It incorporates the Ryde pier soon to become the Ryde Transport Interchange. It is also the passenger ferry terminal.	3110  3110

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St Johns East St Johns West		The remainder of Ryde North East and approximately 50% of Ryde St Johns West and Ryde St Johns East: This ward is located along the seafront and has a large well used park within its boundaries. It provides the main attractions for the thousands of tourists who visit year on year. It has a golf course and a number of schools. It is fringed with mostly large Victorian houses, which have in some cases become multi-occupied buildings. There are a few hotels and guesthouses too.	3110
Ryde South East 1		The remainder of St Johns West, the remainder of St Johns East and half of Ryde South East 1: This ward is located within one of the most deprived areas in the country. It is made up in the main of social housing with a sprinkling of private houses; It has a primary school and a middle school and fire station. It is the subject of one of the local strategic partnership's priority projects. It will see a large development of social housing appear over the next few years.	3110
Ryde South East 2 Ryde South West 1		The remainder of Ryde South East 1, Ryde South East 2, Ryde South West 1 and a small part of Ryde South West 2:	3110
Ryde South West 2 Haylands		The remaining area of Ryde South West 2 and Haylands: These two wards are in the main a residential area of mixed housing ranging from small Victorian terraces to modern family housing estates. There are five schools within its boundaries and was once home to Ryde hospital, now defunct. It is on the outskirts of the town and its residents have to travel to the centre of Ryde for their facilities.	3110
Pan Newport South Mount Joy	Pan, Mount Joy, part Newport North, Newport South, Fairlee, East Fairlee, part Whippingham	Pan and part of Newport South and Mountjoy: This ward takes in the most southerly part of Newport, Pan, together with part of Newport South and Mountjoy. Pan is a large social housing development on the edge of the town and is currently the subject of a multi-million pound neighbourhood management project. There are well advanced plans to extend the estate by approximately 800 houses, both private and rental, over the next 5 - 10 year, this will have a major impact on the communities both established and new in terms of successful integration.	2560
Newport North		The larger parts of Newport North and Newport South	2762
		The remaining part of Newport South and Mountjoy	2796

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Fairlee East Fairlee		A small area of Whippingham, East Fairlee, Fairlee and the remainder of Newport North: These wards all form part of the county town of Newport. This town has seen much regeneration in recent years and is now firmly established as the retail centre for the Island. A number of hypermarkets have been built within its industrial area on the fringes of the centre. It has a multi-screen cinema and a plethora of food outlets and hostelrys. A weekly country market is held in St James Square, a favourite with the coach loads of visitors in the summer months. It is represented by a successful management committee acting as a shadow parish council. It retains a strong community identity evidenced by the many and diverse community groups. There are a number of primary and middle schools located in the town as well as the central bus interchange for the Island.	2754
Carisbrooke West Gunville	Carisbrooke West, Gunville, Carisbrooke East, Parkhurst and part Newport North	Parkhurst and a small area of Newport North: This ward is located on the northern boundary of Newport and is home to the island's hospital and its three prisons. It has a large housing estate serving the majority of which is occupied by the staff of these establishments. It is bordered by agricultural land to the north and has good transport links to all areas of the island.	2593
Carisbrooke East		Carisbrooke West, Gunville and a small part of Carisbrooke East:	2593
Parkhurst		The remainder of Carisbrooke East and the remainder of Newport North: The two wards form part of the village of Carisbrooke and are to be found on the western boundary of Newport. It is home to Carisbrooke Castle and is rightly proud of its royal heritage. It has a mixture of housing types ranging from grand Victorian houses to small farm cottages to newer housing estates. It has a number of schools within its confines including one of the Island's High schools. It has a very strong sense of community and is currently represented by a management committee acting as a shadow parish council.	2592