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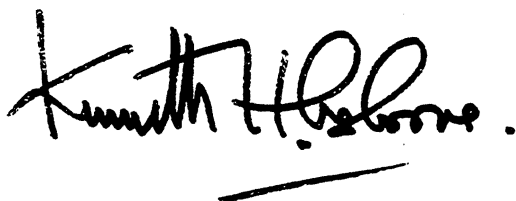
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We, the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland, present our proposals for the future electoral arrangements North Ayrshire Council area resulting from our Third Statutory Review of all Scottish local authorities.

In accordance with the provisions of section 18(3) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, copies of our report, together with illustrative maps, are being sent to North Ayrshire Council with a request that the report and maps should be made available for public inspection at their offices. In addition, copies of our report, without maps, are being sent to those who received a copy of our consultation letter or who have subsequently expressed an interest by making detailed representations in respect of our provisional proposals which were published on 29 April 1998.

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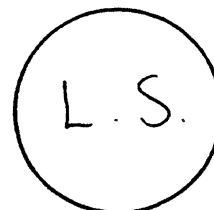
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Introduction

1. The Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 determined that on and after 1 April 1996, Scotland should be divided into local government areas as named and described in Schedule 1 to the Act and that, for each area, there should be a council consisting of a convener and councillors. It further determined that each council should have all the functions exercised immediately before 1 April in relation to their area by any existing regional, islands or district council.
2. On 1 April 1996 all local government areas existing immediately before that date which were regions and districts and all regional and district councils ceased to exist.
3. Schedule 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 also established that every local government area (other than areas of the old islands councils) should be divided into such electoral wards as may be specified in a direction made by the Secretary of State after carrying out such consultations as he considered appropriate. Those wards were to apply for the purpose of any election of councillors held before 'the relevant year of election' (defined as meaning the first year of ordinary election of councillors for the area in question occurring after the making of an order constituting the new electoral wards of that local government area in consequence of the review currently being undertaken by the Commission). In accordance with procedures that applied prior to the reorganisation in 1975, the views of councils were invited. Thereafter, the Secretary of State determined that, for the purpose of any election of councillors before the relevant year of election, 30 electoral wards were appropriate for North Ayrshire local government area. Additionally, the proposed wards should be as described in the report of the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland to the Secretary of State for Scotland on its second statutory review of electoral arrangements for Cunninghame District dated 19 August 1994.

Origin and Commencement of the Review

4. The Commission has a statutory duty under section 14 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to undertake periodic reviews of local authority electoral arrangements. The Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 amended section 20 and schedule 5 of the 1973 Act, directing that:

as soon as practicable after 1 April 1996, the Boundary Commission shall-

review the electoral arrangements for all local government areas for the purpose of considering the future electoral arrangements for those areas; and

formulate proposals for those arrangements.

5. This, therefore, is one of the statutory reviews required in terms of section 16(2) and Schedule 5 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended.
6. On 22 March 1996, the Scottish Office Development Department gave local authorities advance notice of the intention of the Commission to carry out a third statutory review of electoral arrangements. On 29 March 1996, we wrote to all councils to announce the commencement of the third statutory review of electoral arrangements and to explain the procedures to be followed. We also gave notice of the commencement of the review to all Community Councils, Electoral Registration Officers, Members of Parliament with a constituency interest and the Scottish headquarters of the political parties. In addition, public notice of the commencement of the review, which included an invitation to interested parties to apply to us for a copy of our consultation letter to councils, was given in newspapers.

Background

7. During the passage through Parliament of the 1994 Act, there was cross-Party understanding that we would review the number of councillors and boundaries of electoral wards for each council in time for changes to be implemented for the 1999 local elections. This was seen to be important because at the time of reorganisation, as mentioned above, the Secretary of State defined the electoral wards for the new councils and to a great extent based these on existing district wards. It was, however, recognised that using the existing district wards led to some councils being significantly over-represented in relation to other areas. Further, it also led to councillors within the same local authority areas representing wards with significantly different numbers of electors. Accordingly, our review was seen as important to ensure equity in representation across and within all local authorities. Further, the new authorities were now responsible for the provision of the full range of all services and, accordingly, consideration had to be given to determining an appropriate number of councillors for service provision to be effectively managed.
8. This review is, therefore, the first conducted by us which sets out to determine the appropriate number of councillors required for councils to operate efficiently and to establish the boundaries of electoral wards. To achieve both objectives our review was conducted in 2 main stages:

identification of a suitable methodology for determining numbers of councillors which, applied across all local authority areas, would be seen to be equitable and consistent; and

the division of each local authority area into the appropriate number of electoral wards in accordance with the statutory rules.

9. A copy of the statutory rules to be employed by us and the Secretary of State in considering proposals for electoral arrangements is provided at Appendix A.

Number of Councillors

10. In formulating proposals for the number of councillors we have been guided by two main principles:

effective management of councils; and

equity amongst electors.

11. We recognised that the number of councillors is crucial because there is, undoubtedly, some number below which it would be impossible for a council to discharge its duty to deliver services to its population and, conversely, there is also some number above which a council becomes unwieldy and cumbersome. We were influenced in this respect by the prior considerations of two other bodies.
12. The Royal Commission on Local Government In Scotland 1966-69, under the Chairmanship of the Rt. Hon. Lord Wheatley, provided a basis by which the number of regional councillors and the size of constituency to be represented might be determined by taking into account the fact that population density varies widely in Scotland as a whole and within regions. The then accepted view was that council size should not generally exceed 75 members. In England and Wales the Redcliffe-Maude Commission, which reported to Parliament in 1969, also drew attention to the management problems of large councils and endorsed the recommendation of The Committee on the Management of Local Government that a maximum number of 75 councillors should be set.
13. After careful consideration we concluded that, in the Scottish context and to provide additional flexibility, an upper limit of 80 councillors should be set. We also concluded that a minimum number of councillors should be set, recognising that even the smallest local government areas are now responsible for a wide range of functions. Accordingly, we decided that the minimum number of councillors should be 18. Further, these limits should apply to all councils.
14. Regarding equity as between voters, we considered that ideally each elector's vote should possess the same weight and significance in local government elections throughout the country; furthermore, ideally, there should be similar mutual accessibility between electors and councillors. However, since Scotland is a country of great diversity, both geographically and demographically, a fact reflected in the areas for which councils created by the Act of 1994 are

responsible, and since we are satisfied that, in the interests of good local government, the number of councillors in any council must fall within certain limits, we concluded that these ideals are unattainable in practice. In this situation, recognising that a fair degree of homogeneity exists within certain groups of councils, which exhibit broadly similar geographic and demographic characteristics, we resolved to strive for equity in the senses mentioned within these groups, so far as that is possible within the constraints of the legislation under which we operate.

15. We, therefore, proposed a methodology which initially categorised council areas by density and distribution of population using data available from the 1991 Census of Population. Having classified council areas according to these criteria and adjusted the ratio of electors to each councillor to take account of similar characteristics, we have been able to achieve a broad equity of electorate across and within all council areas.
16. In our letter of 29 March 1996, all councils were informed of the proposed methodology and future pattern of representation for their council area. Councils were requested to make any representations they wished on numbers of councillors by 29 April 1996 so that a meeting could be arranged with the Deputy Chairman and Secretary to discuss the pattern of representation and any matters regarding our review that the Council wished to raise. Following visits to all councils by the Deputy Chairman and Secretary to discuss the proposed methodology and to consider alternatives which could be applied across Scotland, no alternative methodologies were offered but a number of councils suggested that the underlying classification should be amended to include an additional category.
17. At our meeting of 17 June 1996, we re-examined the criteria to be used to categorise mainland councils with similar characteristics in light of the representations made by a number of councils. We concluded that there should be 6 rather than 5 categories. The final categorisation of similar mainland councils was then agreed as follows:
 - Category 1 Large Cities Glasgow and Edinburgh.
 - Category 2 Cities Aberdeen and Dundee.
 - Category 3 Authorities with less than 60% of the population living outwith settlements of 10,000 or more persons **AND** an overall population density of one person or more per hectare.
 - Category 4 Authorities with **EITHER** 60% or more of the population living outwith settlements of 10,000 or more persons **OR** an overall population density of less than one person per hectare.

- Category 5 Authorities with 60% or more of the population living outwith settlements of 10,000 or more persons **AND** an overall population density of less than one person per hectare.
- Category 6 Authorities with 60% or more of the population living outwith settlements of 10,000 or more persons **AND** an overall population density of less than 0.2 persons per hectare.

18. In addition to the 6 categories we then determined the ratio of councillors to electorate for mainland councils that would allow for efficient management and appropriate representation, as set out in paragraphs 11 - 14 above, and considered that the following would be appropriate:

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| • Category 1 | 1:6,000 |
| • Category 2 | 1:4,000 |
| • Category 3 | 1:3,500 |
| • Category 4 | 1:3,000 |
| • Category 5 | 1:2,500 |
| • Category 6 | 1:2,000 |

19. On 20 June 1996 we wrote to all mainland councils informing them of the revised criteria for determining councillor numbers and inviting them to prepare a draft scheme of electoral arrangements for their Council area. Following upon that, Aberdeen City Council brought a petition for Judicial Review of the decision taken by us at our meeting of 17 June, 1996 in the Court of Session. In it they sought a decree of declarator that that decision in relation to them was unlawful, ultra vires and null and void; they also sought a decree of reduction of the decision in relation to them and certain ancillary remedies. We resisted this petition, which was dismissed by the Court on 20 December 1996 after a hearing.

20. We considered the ratio of councillors to electors for the 3 islands councils at our meeting of 26 August 1996 and concluded that the appropriate ratio would be 1:750. On 28 August 1996 we wrote to these councils informing them of our decision.

21. North Ayrshire Council wrote to the Commission on 15 July 1996 stating that, whilst it had originally agreed to our proposal that 30 wards were appropriate for its area, it was now aware of representations made to the Commission from South Ayrshire and East Ayrshire Councils which had resulted in an increase in the number of Members proposed for these Councils. North Ayrshire Council was disappointed that it had not been consulted because it had close links with both the other Council areas. On the basis that the formula for the review appeared to have altered as it applied to East Ayrshire and South Ayrshire, the Council would have made representations to increase its elected membership had it been aware of the change. The Council asked if the Commission would consider further representations before commencing the review of boundaries within its area.

22. We wrote to North Ayrshire Council explaining that an additional category of area representation was decided on at our meeting of 17 June, following representations from a number of other Councils. We noted that North Ayrshire Council clearly did not fall within the new category. Whilst we understood that the Council would be disappointed at this outcome we concluded that our decision on the number of Councillors for its area was fair and equitable and that it would not be appropriate to give further consideration to the matter as North Ayrshire Council suggested.

North Ayrshire Council's Proposals

23. The Council submitted a scheme of electoral arrangements for 31 wards on 30 April 1997. A public notice was placed in local newspapers intimating that the proposals were available for inspection. The Council wrote to all Community Councils to inform them of the consultation arrangements.
24. We noted that our officers had met with Senior Council officials in January 1997 to discuss aspects of the preparation of the Council's draft scheme. At this meeting the appropriate level of representation for the Council area had been raised. Whilst it was the Council's view that its proposed level of representation was disproportionate to the other Ayrshire Councils, Council officials were informed that the Commission considered that 30 wards were appropriate. We remained of the view that the proposed level of representation for the Council area should be 30 members and directed our officers to prepare alternative proposals on that basis.
25. During the period of public consultation we received a number of representations.
26. North Cunninghame Conservative and Unionist Association wrote to say that it was aware of the Commission's decision to allocate 30 wards to North Ayrshire Council area and offered proposals for 16 wards, which it believed created wards of approximate electoral parity, within the constraints of Cunninghame North Parliamentary Constituency
27. The Council wrote to the Commission to say that it had received correspondence from North Cunninghame Conservative and Unionist Association. It believed that the Association had started from the false premise that Polling Districts and Parliamentary Constituencies were relevant considerations. Further, the statistics advanced by the Association related to a 30 ward structure and there was, therefore, no comparison with the Council's scheme which was for 31 wards. In the Garnock Valley area the proposals were to the detriment of both Beith and Dalry. The Council believed that the integrity of the town centres of these settlements should be retained. In relation to Largs, it considered that the proposals did not reflect community ties and that the Council's draft scheme was the most appropriate. The Council believed also that its designation of the wards in Largs was the most appropriate. Whilst the Council welcomed comments from

individuals and organisations in relation to boundary proposals, it took issue with a number of the proposals advanced but it did not elaborate further.

28. The Cunninghame, Dalry, Kilwinning and Millport Branches of the NFU Scotland, wrote to say that it had been advised by the local Conservative Association that it intended to offer proposals for electoral wards. The NFU Branches wished to endorse the Conservative Association's proposals.
29. Cunninghame South Conservative and Unionist Association wrote to say that the Council's proposals were based on a presumption that the population across North Ayrshire would uniformly increase by approximately 9%. The Association did not believe that a uniform 9% increase would occur or that the actual population in the area would turn out to reflect the Council's forecast. It considered that only the central areas of Irvine could lose a ward and revised proposals were made with this in view.
30. The Council wrote to the Commission to say that it had received correspondence from Cunninghame South Conservative and Unionist Association. The Council stated that the contention that the population of North Ayrshire would increase uniformly by 9% was demonstrably incorrect. There had been no suggestion that this would be the case. The Association's methodology, which appeared to assume as its starting point the Council's 1996 adjusted ward figures superimposed on further amendments, was bound to lead to a considerable error. There was concern that the proposals did not include any projected building development and such omissions were fundamental to the Council's statistics which were based on projections. Attention was drawn to the omission of electorate who were resident at Ayrshire Central Hospital.
31. We noted that the electoral parity achieved in the 30 ward scheme of electoral arrangements prepared by our officers was acceptable and that boundaries had been suitably defined. We also examined in detail the proposals set out in the representations we had received. Notwithstanding the North Ayrshire Council's comments on the alternatives offered, we were not prepared to adopt these alternatives because of the adverse impact on electoral parity.
32. With regard to ward names, we concluded that any changes suggested should be reconsidered following publication of our provisional proposals.

Publication of Commission's Provisional Proposals

33. Public notice was given of the publication of our provisional proposals on 29 April 1998. North Ayrshire Council was asked to make available for inspection at its offices copies of the electoral ward boundary descriptions, electoral statistics and illustrative maps. Additionally, copies of our proposals were sent to all who had received our consultation letter or had expressed an interest. We asked that any comments should be made to us by 27 May 1998.

Consideration of Representations

34. Six representations were received:

- **The Council** wrote to say that it was disappointed that its proposals for 31 wards had not been accepted. It also submitted alternative proposals for Wards 4, 5 and 9 which the Council believed had greater regard for community links without adversely affecting parity.

We noted the Council's comments and concluded that the revisions offered for Wards 4, 5 and 9 should be accepted.

- **Brian Donohoe MP** wrote to say that, in terms of numerical and geographical spread, he believed that North Ayrshire Council should have more than 30 councillors. The Commission's proposals had also introduced an imbalance between the two Parliamentary constituencies in North Ayrshire. He did not believe that the Commission's proposals would create a better formula. Further, merging Irvine with Kilwinning was fundamentally flawed and likely to lead to fairly substantial complaints. We were asked to reconsider our provisional proposals. Mr Donohoe further wrote to say that, having examined the statistics which the Commission used to categorise Council areas, he noted that, of all the Councils in category 3, North Ayrshire had the second highest number of electors per councillor. Further, the classification data was based on the 1991 Census which would be 8 years out of date by the time the proposed boundaries came into effect. The increase in electorate in North Ayrshire would mean also that our proposals would be out-dated by the time they came into effect. In addition, North Ayrshire has the lowest number of people per hectare of all the Councils in category 3 and therefore shared some of the attributes of councils in category 4. For this reason North Ayrshire should receive additional councillors. He noted that the proposed boundaries in Irvine produced the largest wards in the Council area and that this could be resolved by the provision of additional wards. While there was a need for electoral parity, the creation of an Irvine North and Eglinton Ward, which encompassed two substantial sections of unrelated communities, caused considerable resentment amongst his constituents.

We noted the comments regarding the number of councillors for North Ayrshire Council area and concluded that the appropriate level of representation for the Council area was 30 members. With regard to the comments on Parliamentary constituency boundaries, we noted that our proposals did not affect the existing boundaries. We noted also that there had been no public reaction to our proposed Irvine North and Eglinton Ward but that, as stated above, we had agreed to an amendment suggested by the Council.

- Three letters were received which asked that we review our proposals for the South Beach area.

We noted the views expressed but were not prepared to revise the boundaries because of the adverse impact on electoral parity.

- A letter was received which expressed concerns about our proposals for Ward 25, 'West Kilbride' and Ward 26, 'Largs South and Fairlie' on the grounds that the northern hinterland of West Kilbride would have its commercial, educational, religious and other social ties broken. Alternative boundaries were offered which, in the opinion of the correspondent, retained the close affinity with West Kilbride and maintained good electoral parity. We noted that the correspondent had further written to emphasise a number of points regarding community association etc. which, it was claimed, would be broken by our proposals.

We noted that the changes proposed altered the divergence from electoral parity in the wards in question from 5% and 1% respectively in our proposals to 11% and -5% and we were, therefore, not prepared to alter our proposals in this area.

Final Recommendation

35. Having conducted the third statutory review of electoral arrangements for North Ayrshire Council area in accordance with the procedures described above, we **recommend** that future electoral arrangements for the said Council should provide for a Council of 30 members.
36. The designation of the electoral wards that we recommend for North Ayrshire Council, together with information which we have received from the Council as to the 1996 electorate and forecast 2001 electorate of the proposed wards, are set out at Appendix B to this report.
37. The boundaries of the proposed electoral wards are described in Appendix C and the following illustrative maps accompany this report:

Map	Area	Scale
1A	North Ayrshire Council Area	1:50,000
1B	North Ayrshire Council Area	1:50,000
2	Largs	1:10,000
3	Kilbirnie, Beith, and Dalry	1:10,000
4	Ardrossan, Saltcoats, Stevenston and Kilwinning	1:10,000
5	Irvine	1:10,000

**Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973: Schedule 6
(As amended by the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994)
Rules to be Observed in Considering Electoral Arrangements**

1. (1) This Schedule applies to the consideration by the Secretary of State or the Boundary Commission of the electoral arrangements for election of councillors of local government areas.
 - (2) Having regard to any change in the number or distribution of electors of a local government area likely to take place within the period of five years immediately following the consideration, the number of local government electors shall be, as nearly as may be, the same in every electoral area of that local government area.
 - (3) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) above, in considering the electoral arrangements referred to in sub-paragraph (1) above regard shall be had to-
 - (a) the desirability of fixing boundaries which are and will remain easily identifiable;
 - (b) any local ties which would be broken by the fixing of any particular boundary.
2. The strict application of the rule stated in paragraph 1(2) above may be departed from in any area where special geographical conditions appear to render a departure desirable.

North Ayrshire Council Area Proposed Electoral Wards

Number a	Name b	Electorate	
		1996 (Actual) c	2001 (Estimated) d
1	Irvine West	3,599	3,868
2	Irvine Townhead	3,501	3,674
3	Irvine Vineburgh and Woodlands South	3,383	3,742
4	Irvine North	3,238	3,712
5	Eglinton and Lawthorn	3,600	3,678
6	Dreghorn	3,768	3,791
7	Irvine Landward	3,415	3,927
8	Bourtreehill	3,721	3,740
9	Woodlands North and Girdle Toll	4,021	3,918
10	Kilwinning East	3,424	3,479
11	Kilwinning South	3,328	3,553
12	Kilwinning West	3,358	3,478
13	Stevenston North	3,650	3,760
14	Stevenston South	3,770	3,841
15	Beith	3,766	3,766
16	Dalry	3,796	3,535
17	Garnock East	3,147	3,636
18	Kilbirnie South	3,350	3,355
19	Kilbirnie North	3,196	3,413
20	Saltcoats East	3,660	3,683
21	South Beach	3,677	3,677
22	Saltcoats North	3,113	3,539
23	Ardrossan South	3,594	3,682
24	Ardrossan North	3,530	3,639
25	West Kilbride	4,436	3,839
26	Largs South and Fairlie	3,435	3,700
27	Largs West and Cumbrae	3,420	3,684
28	Largs East	3,318	3,574
29	Largs North and Skelmorlie	3,269	3,522
30	Arran	3,699	3,699
Total		106,182	110,104

North Ayrshire Council Area Proposed Electoral Wards Descriptions of Boundaries

Notes:

In the following description of boundaries:

- ♦ a reference to a road, footpath, railway line, river, burn or canal shall, where the context so admits, be construed as the centre line of the feature concerned; and
- ♦ the following abbreviations are used:

EW for Electoral Ward

NG Ref for National Grid
Reference as published on
Ordnance Survey Maps.

Ward 1 Irvine West

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3254 3388 where the Gailies Burn enters the Firth of Clyde on the western boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then northwestward and southwestward along the said Council boundary to a point in line with the centreline of the Firth of Clyde; then northward along the centreline of the said Firth of Clyde to a point in line with the mouth of the River Irvine; then northeastward to and along the said river to its confluence with the River Garnock; then generally northwestward and northeastward along the said river to where it is crossed by the A78(T) road; then generally southeastward along the said road to its junction with the A737 road; then generally southeastward along the said road to its junction with James Crescent; then generally eastward and southward along the said crescent to the northern boundary of Meadow Park Football Ground; then southwestward, southeastward and northeastward along the northern, western and southern boundaries of the said football ground to the rear curtilages of Nos 37/39-25/27 Old Caley Road; then northeastward and southeastward along the said rear curtilages to the rear curtilages of Nos 18-2 Clayson Avenue; then southeastward along the said rear curtilages to the boundary between No 2 Clayson Avenue and No 49 Quarry Road; then southeastward along the said boundary to and southwestward along Quarry Road to its junction with Burns Street and Eglinton Street; then southeastward along Eglinton Street and its continuation as High Street to Kirk Vennel; then southwestward

and southeastward along Kirk Vennel to and southwestward along the southeastern boundary of the Kirk cemetery and its prolongation in a straight line to the River Irvine; then southeastward and eastward along the said river to where it is crossed by the A78(T) road; then southwestward and southeastward along the said road to the southern boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then southwestward, northwestward and southwestward along the said Council boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 2 Irvine Townhead

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3372 3382 where the southern boundary of North Ayrshire Council meets the eastern boundary of EW 1; then generally northward, westward, northwestward and northeastward along the said EW boundary to and continuing northeastward along Quarry Road to its junction with Woodlands Avenue; then southeastward along the said avenue to its junction with Bank Street; then southwestward along the said street to and southeastward along Galt Avenue to its junction with Muir Drive; then northeastward along the said drive to Clark Drive; then northwestward along the said drive to Manson Road; then northeastward along the said road to where it crosses the A78(T) road; then generally southward along the said road to the Warrix Interchange and the A71 road; then generally eastward along the A71 road to the centre of the Corsehill Mount roundabout at NG Ref NS 3598 3788; then southeastward in a straight line to the River Irvine; then southward along the said river to the southern boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then southwestward along the said Council boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 3 Irvine Vineburgh and Woodlands South

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3171 4042 on Kilwinning Road at a point in line with a path running southeastward to Dickson Drive, between the properties in Park Place and Arran Place and the properties in Ravenscroft; then eastward to and southeastward along the said path to Dickson Drive; then southwestward along the said drive to Livingstone Terrace; then southeastward along the said terrace to and southwestward along Caldor Road to and southeastward along Stewart Drive to MacKinnon Terrace; then northeastward along MacKinnon Terrace and its continuation in a straight line to the A78(T) road; then

southeastward along the said road to the northern boundary of EW 2; then southwestward, southeastward, southwestward, northwestward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 1; then generally northwestward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 4 Irvine North

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3153 4183 on the A78(T) road; then southeastward along the said road to a point NG Ref NS 3289 4045; then westward in a straight line to and along an unnamed road leading to Castlepark Community Centre to a point in line with the eastern boundary of a playing field; then southwestward to and along the said boundary and its continuation in a straight line to Dickson Drive; then southeastward along the said drive to its junction with Dick Terrace; then southwestward along the said terrace to the northern boundary of EW 3; then generally northwestward along the said ward boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 1; then northwestward along the said ward boundary to where Kilwinning Road crosses the A78(T) road at NG Ref NS 3175 4182; then eastward along the said road to the point of commencement.

Ward 5 Eglinton and Lawthorn

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3094 4188 on the northern boundary of EW 1 where the A78(T) road crosses the River Garnock; then generally northward along the said river to where it is crossed by the B778 road at NG Ref NS 3056 4336; then generally northeastward along the said road to its junction with an unnamed road leading to the B785 road at NG Ref NS 3135 4438; then southeastward and generally southward along the said unnamed road to and generally eastward along the B785 road to its junction with an unnamed road leading past a property known as Mid Moncur at NG Ref NS 3232 4341; then northward and eastward along the said unnamed road to a point in line with Lugten Waters at NG Ref NS 3265 4355; then eastward in a straight line to and generally northeastward along the said water to where it meets the eastern boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then generally southeastward along the said Council boundary to where it meets the Annick Water at NG Ref NS 3665 4208; then generally southwestward along the said water to where it is crossed by a dismantled railway line;

then northwestward along the said dismantled railway line to where it crosses the A736 road at NG Ref NS 3484 4280; then southwestward and southward along the said road to its junction with Cairnmount Road; then southwestward along the said road to where it crosses a path at NG Ref NS 3425 4132; then southward along the said path to a point NG Ref NS 3429 4108 in line with a path to the north of No 1 Millburn Terrace; then westward to and westward and southwestward along the said path to a path at NG Ref NS 3422 6104; then generally southwestward along the said path to a path at NG Ref NS 3406 4091; then northwestward and generally southwestward along the said path to a path at NG Ref NS 3382 4090; then generally southward along the said path to where it is crossed by Littlestane Road at NG Ref NS 3380 4067; then generally eastward along the said road to the Lawthorn Roundabout; then southeastward along an unnamed road to Perceton Roundabout; then southwestward and northwestward along the B769 Road to its junction with Lochlibo Road; then northwestward to and along a path leading passed an Electricity Substation to a point on the eastern boundary of the said station; then southwestward along the eastern boundary of the Electricity Substation and the continuation in a straight line to Girdle Gate; then southwestward and northwestward along Girdle Gate to its junction with Lochwood Place; then southwestward along the said place to and northwestward along Smithstone Way to a point NG Ref NS 3376 4056 in line with the Red Burn; then southwestward to and southwestward and generally westward along the said burn to where it meets the eastern boundary of EW 4; then generally northwestward along the eastern and northern boundaries of EW 4 to the northern boundary of EW 1; then westward along the said ward boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 6 Dreghorn

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3348 3889 on the northern boundary of EW 2 where the A78(T) road is crossed by Broomlands Busway; then generally eastward and northward along Broomlands Busway to its junction with Towerlands Road at NG Ref NS 3492 3872; then generally eastward along Towerlands Road to Capringstone roundabout at NG Ref NS 3602 3880; then southward along an unnamed road to the Dreghorn roundabout on the B7081 road; then southward along an unnamed road to the northern boundary of EW 2 at the Corsehill

Mount roundabout; then generally westward and northward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 7

Irvine Landward

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3626 3664 on the River Irvine where the southeastern boundary of North Ayrshire Council meets the northeastern boundary of EW 2; then generally northward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 6; then northward and generally westward along the eastern and northern boundaries of EW 6 to the junction of Broomlands Busway and Towerlands Road at NG Ref NS 3492 3872; then northwestward along Towerlands Road to a public footpath to the west of Cairnsmore Way at NG Ref NS 3465 3880; then northward along the said footpath to an unnamed road leading to St John Ogilvie Primary School; then southeastward along the said unnamed road to a point in line with a field boundary at NG Ref NS 3488 3900; then northeastward to and along the said field boundary and the prolongation thereof in a straight line to the Annick Water at NG Ref NS 3495 3905; then generally northward along the said water to where it is crossed by the B769 road at Perceton Bridge, NG Ref NS 3504 4059; then westward along the said road to the eastern boundary of EW 5; then generally northwestward, northeastward and southeastward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then generally eastward and southwestward along the said Council boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 8

Bourtreehill

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3323 3978 on the eastern boundary of EW 3 where the A78(T) road is crossed by Manson Road; then generally eastward along Manson Road to the Stanecastle Interchange and continuing southeastward along Middleton Road to where it is crossed by a footbridge at NG Ref NS 3378 3981; then northwestward along the said footbridge to and northwestward along Stanecastle Road and its continuation northeastward as the A736 road to a point in line with the southern curtilage of No 18 Sourlie Terrace; then southeastward to and along the said curtilage and continuing along the southern curtilage of No 48 Bensley Avenue to Bensley Avenue; then southeastward across the said avenue to the rear curtilage of No 7 Castlekeep Gardens; then southeastward

along the rear curtilages of Nos 7 and 8 Castlekeep Gardens to the rear curtilage of No 8 Killoch Way; then southeastward and northeastward along the rear curtilages of Nos 8-1 Killoch Way and the prolongation thereof in a straight line to Bensley Rise; then eastward across Bensley Rise to the southwestern boundary of Annick Primary School; then southeastward and northeastward along the southwestern and southeastern boundaries of the said school to a path leading to Middleton Road at NG Ref NS 3409 4001; then southeastward along the said path to and northeastward along Middleton Road to the western boundary of EW 7; then generally southward, northwestward, southward and southeastward along the said EW boundary to the northern boundary of EW 6; then southwestward and northwestward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 2; then northwestward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 9

Woodlands North and Girdle Toll

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3323 3978 where Manson Road crosses the A78(T) road on the eastern boundary of EW 3; then northwestward, southwestward and generally northwestward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 4; then generally northward along the said EW boundary to the southern boundary of EW 5; then generally eastward along the said EW boundary to the western boundary of EW 7; then eastward and generally southwestward along the said EW boundary to the northern boundary of EW 8; then generally southwestward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement

Ward 10

Kilwinning East

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2952 4589 on the A737 road at its junction with an unnamed road leading past the properties known as Mill, Cockmalane and Cockenzie; then southeastward, northward and northeastward along the said unnamed road to a point in line with a field boundary at NG Ref NS 3015 4617; then southeastward to and along the said field boundary to a tributary of the River Garnock at NG Ref NS 3037 4597; then generally southward along the said tributary to its confluence with the River Garnock; then generally southeastward along the said river to the northwestern boundary of EW 5; then southeastward along the said EW boundary to a

point in line with a field boundary NG Ref NS 3084 4300; then westward in a straight line to a cycle path at NG Ref NS 3071 4300; then northwestward along the said cycle path to and northwestward along Bankhead Road to Ladyford Avenue; then westward along the said avenue to and northward along Almswall Road to St Winning's Road; then westward along the said road to a path at NG Ref NS 3002 4312; then southwestward along the said path to a path at NG Ref NS 2994 4310; then westward along the said path to a path at NG Ref NS 2987 4311; then southwestward along the said path and its continuation in a straight line to the Irvine/Glasgow railway line; then northward along the said railway line to where it is crossed by the A737 road at NG Ref NS 2969 4474; then generally northward along the said road to the point of commencement.

Ward 11 Kilwinning South

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2966 4348 where the Irvine/Kilwinning railway line is crossed by Byres Road on the western boundary of EW 10; then generally southward and eastward along the said EW boundary to the northwestern boundary of EW 5; then generally southward along the said EW boundary to where the River Garnock is crossed by the A78(T) road at NG Ref NS 3094 4188; then generally westward along the said road to its junction with the A738 road; then northeastward along the said road to the point of commencement.

Ward 12 Kilwinning West

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2872 4865 where an unnamed road crosses the Caaf Water at Lynn Bridge; then generally southeastward along the said water to its confluence with the River Garnock; then generally southward along the said river to NG Ref NS 2967 4600; then eastward in a straight line to and southward along the Irvine/Glasgow railway line to the northern boundary of EW 10; then southward, northwestward and generally southward along the northern and western boundaries of EW 10 to the northwestern boundary of EW 11; then generally southwestward along the said EW boundary to an unnamed road to the northeast of the Fire Station at Pennyburn Bridge; then northwestward and westward along the said unnamed road to the junction of Hillend Road and Haycocks Road at NG Ref NS 2751 4303; then northeastward along an unnamed road, passing a property known as Hillhead, to an

unnamed road at NG Ref NS 2816 4421; then eastward, northeastward and generally northwestward along the said unnamed road, passing a property known as Auchenkist, to where it crosses an unnamed burn at NG Ref NS 2779 4495; then generally northward, northwestward and northeastward along the said unnamed burn to the eastern boundary of a wood at NG Ref NS 2861 4746; then northwestward along the said boundary and its continuation in a straight line to an unnamed burn at NG Ref NS 2844 4809; then northeastward along the said unnamed burn to NG Ref NS 2859 4826; then northward in a straight line to a track southwestward of a property known as Craighead; then northwestward along the said track to and northwestward across an unnamed road leading to Lynn Bridge to and continuing northwestward along a field boundary to and westward in a straight line to the Caaf Water; then generally northeastward along the said water to the point of commencement.

Ward 13 Stevenston North

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2834 4283 at the junction of the A738 road and an unnamed road northeast of the Fire Station at Pennyburn Bridge on the northwestern boundary of EW 11; then southwestward along the said EW boundary to and continuing southwestward along the A78(T) road to a point in line with the western curtilage of No 97 High Road at NG Ref NS 2555 4206; then northward to and along the said curtilage and its continuation as the eastern boundary of an Electricity Sub-Station to where it meets the northern boundary of the said electricity sub-station at NG Ref NS 2555 4214; then northwestward in a straight line to where the southern and rear curtilage of No 39 Middlepart Crescent meet at NG Ref NS 2545 4241; then northwestward along the rear curtilages of Nos 41-51 Middlepart Crescent to and northward along a path running along the eastern curtilages of Nos 17 and 19 Fleck Avenue to Fleck Avenue; then northward along the said avenue to a point in line with the southern boundary of James Reid School and Mayfield Primary School; then southeastward to and southeastward, northward and westward along the southern, eastern and northern boundaries of the said schools to Mulgrew Avenue; then northward along the said avenue and the prolongation thereof in a straight line to a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2546 4319; then northwestward along the said field boundary to and northeastward along Dalry Road to where it

crosses the Glen Burn at NG Ref NS 2576 4407; then generally eastward along the said burn to an unnamed stream at NG Ref NS 2601 4405; then northward along the said unnamed stream to a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2602 4411; then southeastward along the said field boundary to an unnamed stream at NG Ref NS 2650 4401; then generally northward along the said unnamed stream to an unnamed road leading past the property known as Diddup; then generally northeastward along the said unnamed road to where it meets an unnamed road leading past the property known as Lochwood at NG Ref NS 2674 4485; then southeastward and northeastward along the said unnamed road to Auld Clay Road then southeastward along the said road to the western boundary of EW 12; then southeastward, southwestward and southeastward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 14 Stevenston South

Commencing at an undeterminable point on the centreline of the Firth of Clyde in line with the mouth of the River Irvine; then northwestward in a straight line to where the western and southern boundaries of Campbell Park Football Ground meet; then northward along the western boundary of the said football ground and its continuation in a straight line to and across Blakely Road to a dismantled railway line; then generally northwestward along the said dismantled railway line to where it crossed by Canal Street; then northeastward to and northwestward along a footbridge across Canal Street to and northeastward and northwestward along a path leading to Kerr Avenue to a point in line with the rear curtilages of Nos 1/3-29/31 Cunninghame Road and No 43 Millar Road; then northeastward along the said rear curtilages and the prolongation thereof in a straight line to a path leading from Millar Road to Nelson Road; then northeastward and northward along the said path to Nelson Road; then northward along the said road and the prolongation thereof in a straight line to the A78(T) road and the southern boundary of EW 13; then generally eastward along the said EW boundary to and southeastward along the southern boundary of EW 11 to the northern boundary of EW 1; then westward, southeastward and southwestward along the northern and western boundaries of EW 1 to the point of commencement.

Ward 15 Beith

Commencing at NG Ref NS 3568 5545 on the eastern boundary of North Ayrshire Council where the Roebank Burn is crossed by the A737 road; then southwestward along the said road to and southwestward along Roebank Road and its continuation as Wilson Street to its junction with Mitchell Street; then eastward along the said street to and southeastward along Head Street to its junction with the A737 road; then southwestward along the said road to its junction with Geilsland Road; then westward along the said road to and northwestward along Glebe Road to its junction with Dalry Road; then southwestward along the said road to and westward along Morrishill Drive to a point in line with a footpath known as Old Willowyard Road; then southwestward along the said footpath to Willowyard Road; then southward along the said road to its junction with the B777 road; then southwestward along the said road to an unnamed road leading to Lochshore East Industrial Estate; then northwestward along the said road to where it crosses the Glasgow/Dalry railway line; then northeastward along the said railway line to where it is crossed by an unnamed road leading to East Kerse; then northward along the said unnamed road to the eastern boundary of North Ayrshire Council at Kerse Bridge; then northeastward and southeastward along the said Council boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 16 Dalry

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2757 5374 where the North Burn meets the Rye Water; then generally southeastward along the said water to where it is crossed by a footbridge at NG Ref NS 2956 4975; then generally westward and southwestward along a path to Courthill Street; then westward along the said street to a point in line with the rear curtilage of No 2 Green Bank; then southeastward to and along the said curtilage and continuing southeastward along the rear curtilages of Nos 4 and 6 Green Bank and the western curtilage of No 14 Green Bank to Smith Street; then southeastward along the said street to its junction with New Street; then northeastward along New Street to and southeastward along Bridgend and its continuation as Blair Road to where it crosses the Kilwinning/Glasgow railway line; then southward along the said railway line to NG Ref NS 2975 4829; then southwestward in a straight line to the River Garnock and the northern

boundary of EW 12; then northwestward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to and continuing southwestward, northwestward and southwestward along the Caaf Water to a point on the said water at NG Ref NS 2635 4824; then southeastward in a straight line to the B780 road; then southwestward along the said road to NG Ref NS 2607 4796; then southeastward in a straight line to a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2607 4795; then southwestward along the said field boundary to and southwestward along an unnamed burn to a point east of Dykehead Bridge at NG Ref NS 2578 4754; then northwestward along field boundaries to the southeastern boundary of the Munnock Reservoir at NG Ref NS 5554 4771; then southwestward, northwestward and northeastward along the southeastern, southwestern and northeastern boundaries of the said reservoir to the Munnock Burn at NG Ref NS 2498 4804; then generally northwestward and northward along the said burn to where it is crossed by the B781 to the east of the property known as Gill; then northeastward in a straight line to summit point 264 on Gill Hill; then northwestward in a straight line to summit point 329 on Caldron Hill; then northward in a straight line to summit point 387 on Kaim Hill; then northeastward in a straight line to summit point 406 on Blaeloch Hill; then southward in a straight line to the confluence of a tributary of the North Burn at NG Ref NS 2440 5481; then generally southeastward along the North Burn to the point of commencement.

Ward 17 Garnock East

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2911 5034 on the eastern boundary of EW 16 where the Rye Water is crossed by the B780 road at Rye Bridge; then northeastward along the said road to where it crosses the Pitcon Burn; then southeastward along the said burn to and southeastward along Mains Burn to the River Garnock and a point in line with a dismantled railway line; then southwestward to and along the said dismantled railway line to the Glasgow/Dalry railway line; then northeastward along the said railway line to in line with an unnamed road leading to an unnamed road leading past the property known as East Kersland; then eastward to and along the said unnamed road to and southeastward along an unnamed road leading past the property known as East Kersland to its junction with the A737 and B707 roads; then generally northeastward along the B707 road to an unnamed road at NG Ref NS 3126 5001; then northeastward along

the said unnamed road to where it crosses a dismantled railway line at NG Ref NS 3524 5261; then northwestward along the said dismantled railway line to where it is crossed by the A737 road; then southwestward along the said road to a roundabout junction with the B777 road at Manrahead; then northwestward to and along the said road to the eastern boundary of EW 15; then generally northeastward along the said EW boundary to the northeastern boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then northeastward, southeastward and southwestward along the said Council boundary to the northern boundary of EW 5; then southwestward, northeastward, northwestward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 10; then northwestward, northeastward, northwestward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 12; then generally northward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 16; then northward, northwestward, northeastward and northwestward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 18 Kilbirnie South

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2757 5374 where the North Burn meets the Rye Water; then northwestward along the said water to a point in line with a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2736 5480; then westward in a straight line to and northwestward and westward along the said field boundary to the southern shore of Camphill Reservoir at NG Ref NS 2708 5482; then northeastward along the southern shore of the said reservoir and its continuation in a straight line to the A760 road; then generally southeastward along the said road to a point in line with a track leading to Place View; then generally southward along the said track to and southeastward along Place View to the western boundary of Kilbirnie Park; then southeastward along the said boundary to and southwestward along Barony Terrace to an access road leading to Dalry Road; then southeastward along the said access road to and generally northeastward along Dalry Road to and northwestward and northeastward along Holmhead to its junction with Paddockholm Road; then eastward along the said road and its prolongation in a straight line to a dismantled railway line; then generally northward along the said dismantled railway line to where it is crossed by the A760 road; then northeastward along the said road to the eastern boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then southward and eastward along the said

Council boundary to the western boundary of EW 15; then southwestward, southeastward and northeastward along the said EW boundary to the western boundary of EW 17; then southeastward, northeastward, southeastward, southwestward, northwestward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 16; then generally northwestward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 19 Kilbirnie North

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2735 6300 at the summit of Hill of Stake on the northern boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then generally southeastward along the said Council boundary to the northern boundary of EW 18; then southwestward, northwestward and generally westward along the said EW boundary to the western boundary of Camphill Reservoir at NG Ref NS 2708 5483; then northwestward along the said boundary of Camphill Reservoir to an access road leading to Catburn; then northeastward along the said access road to and northwestward along the overflow channel for Muirhead Reservoir to the southern boundary of Muirhead Reservoir at NG Ref NS 2589 5638; then northeastward along the said boundary of Muirhead Reservoir and its prolongation in a straight line to the A760 road; then northwestward along the said road to where it crosses an unnamed burn north of a property known as Fechan at Fechan Bridge, NG Ref NS 2346 5336; then northward along the said burn to its source at NG Ref NS 2331 5844; then northwestward in a straight line to and northward along an unnamed burn to its confluence with the Gogo Water at NG Ref NS 2323 5932; then generally northeastward along the said water to an unnamed tributary at NG Ref NS 2499 6025; then northeastward along the said tributary to NG Ref NS 2513 6050; then northeastward in a straight line to the summit point on Box Law at NG Ref NS 2567 6118; then northeastward in a straight line to Hill of Stake and the point of commencement.

Ward 20 Saltcoats East

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2558 4283 on the western boundary of EW 13 where the northern and eastern boundaries of James Reid School meet; then generally southward along the said EW boundary to the western boundary of EW 14; then generally southwestward, southeastward and southwestward along the said

EW boundary to the centre line of the Firth of Clyde; then northwestward along the centreline of the Firth of Clyde to a point in line with the centreline of South Bay; then northeastward to and along the centreline of the said bay to a point in line with Melbourne Road; then eastward to and along the said road to its junction with Eglinton Street; then southeastward along the said street to and northeastward along Windmill Street to and northeastward and northwestward along Chapelwell Street to Manse Street; then southeastward along the said street to and northeastward along Springvale Street to Argyle Road; then southeastward along the said road to and northeastward along Sharpill Road and Dalry Road to the eastern boundary of EW 13; then generally southeastward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 21 South Beach

Commencing on the northwestern boundary of EW 20 at an undeterminable point on the Firth of Clyde, in line with Inches Road; then northeastward to and along the said road to Princes Street; then northwestward along the said street to and northeastward along Glasgow Street to its junction with Parkhouse Road; then southeastward along the said road to where it crosses the Saltcoats/Largs railway line; then southeastward along the said railway line to where it crosses a dismantled railway line; then southeastward along the said dismantled railway line to where it is crossed by Sorbie Road; then northeastward along the said road to its junction with the A78(T) road; then southeastward along the said road to the western boundary of EW 20; then generally southwestward, northwestward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 22 Saltcoats North

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2403 4264 on the northern boundary of EW 21 at the junction of the A78(T) road and Sorbie Road; then northeastward along Sorbie Road to its junction with an access track leading to the property known as Whitlees; then eastward in a straight line to the northern curtilage of the property known as Sharpill; then southeastward along the said curtilage to the western boundary of EW 13; then southwestward along the said EW boundary to and continuing southwestward along the western boundary of EW 20 to the northern boundary of EW 21; then

northwestward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 23
Ardrossan South

Commencing at an undeterminable point on the centreline of the Firth of Clyde due southwest of the junction between Eglinton Road and Witches Linn at NG Ref NS 2275 4342; then due northeast in a straight line to and northeastward, northwestward and northeastward along Witches Linn to a path crossing the Ardrossan/Largs railway line; then generally northward along the said path to and southeastward along the said railway line to where it is crossed by Dalry Road; then northward along the said road to and southeastward along Stanley Road to where it crosses the Stanley Burn at NG Ref NS 2395 4333; then northeastward along the said burn to its confluence with an unnamed burn at NG Ref NS 2404 4375; then northward along the said unnamed burn to where it is crossed by a track leading to the property known as Whitlees; then southeastward along the said track to and southeastward along the northern curtilage of the said property and continuing southeastward in a straight line to Sorbie Road at NG Ref NS 2437 4370; then southwestward along the said road to and continuing southwestward along the western boundary of EW 22 to the northern boundary of EW 21; then southwestward, northwestward and generally southwestward along the northern and western boundaries of EW 21 to the western boundary of EW 20; then southwestward along the said EW boundary to the centreline of the Firth of Clyde; then northwestward along the centreline of the Firth of Clyde to the point of commencement.

Ward 24
Ardrossan North

Commencing at an undeterminable point on the centreline of the Firth of Clyde and the northern boundary of EW 23; then northwestward along the centreline of the Firth of Clyde to a point in line with a drain at NG Ref NS 2198 4450, to the south of Crawford's Lodge; then northeastward to and along the said to where it meets a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2230 4478; then northeastward along the said field boundary to an unnamed road at NG Ref NS 2289 4527; then northeastward across the said unnamed road to a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2290 4527; then northeastward and northwestward along the said field boundary to

a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2286 4560; then northeastward along the said field boundary to a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2300 4571; then northward and northeastward along the said field boundary to NG Ref NS 2305 4595; then generally eastward along the said field boundary to a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2338 4604; then northwestward and northeastward along the said field boundary, across the Rowanside Hills, and its prolongation in a straight line across the Knockewart Hills to a point on the Munnoch Burn at NG Ref NS 2417 4874 on the southern boundary of EW 16; then southeastward, northeastward, southeastward, eastward and northeastward along the said EW boundary to the western boundary of EW 12; then southeastward, southwestward and southward along the said EW boundary to the northern boundary of EW 13; then northwestward, southwestward, westward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the northern boundary of EW 22; then westward along the said EW boundary to the northern boundary of EW 23; then generally northeastward, northwestward, southwestward, northwestward, southward, northwestward, southward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the centreline of the Firth of Clyde and the point of commencement.

Note: This ward includes Horse Isle.

Ward 25
West Kilbride

Commencing at an undeterminable point on the centreline of the Firth of Clyde and the northwestern boundary of EW 24; then northwestward along the centreline of the Firth of Clyde to a point in line with the eastern boundary of the properties at West Cottage at NG Ref NS 1761 4879; then northeastward to and along the said boundary and the prolongation thereof in a straight line to the B7048 road; then generally southeastward along the said road to the A78(T) road; then northward along the said road to a track at NG Ref NS 1981 4950, leading to the B782 road; then southeastward in a straight line to the junction between a track leading to the property known as Drummilling and an unnamed road leading past the property known as Bushglen at NG Ref NS 2080 4942; then southward along the said unnamed road to the B781 road; then generally eastward along the said road to where it crosses the Munnoch Burn on the western boundary of EW 16 at NG Ref NS 2409 4885; then southeastward along the said EW boundary to the western boundary of EW 24; then

generally southwestward, southeastward, southwestward, southward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 26

Largs South and Fairlie

Commencing at an undeterminable point on the centreline of the Fairlie Roads in line with the mouth of the Gogo Water; then generally northeastward to and along the said water to where it is crossed by Irvine Road at NG Ref NS 2050 5919; then southeastward along the said road to and eastward and southeastward along Gogosome Road to its junction with Scott Drive and Halkshill Drive; then northeastward and southeastward along Halkshill Drive to a path at NG Ref NS 2115 5911; then northeastward along the said path to a point in line with a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2115 5912; then southeastward to and southeastward and northeastward along the said field boundary to NG Ref NS 2130 5915; then northeastward in a straight line to the Gogo Water at NG Ref NS 2137 5920; then generally eastward along the said water to the western boundary of EW 19; then southward, eastward and generally southeastward along the said EW boundary to the western boundary of EW 18; then southward along the said EW boundary to the northern boundary of EW 16; then generally northwestward, southwestward, southward, southeastward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the northern boundary of EW 25; then generally westward, northward, westward, southward, westward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the centreline of the Firth of Clyde; then northwestward along the centreline of the Firth of Clyde to a point in line with the centreline of the Fairlie Roads; then northeastward in a straight line to and generally northeastward and northwestward along the centreline of the Fairlie Roads to the point of commencement.

Ward 27

Largs West and Cumbrae

Commencing on the western boundary of North Ayrshire Council at a point in line with mouth of the Noddsdale Water; then northeastward in a straight line to and northeastward and generally eastward along the said water to a point in line with the eastern curtilage of No 1 Chapelton Drive at NG Ref NS 2057 6059; then southward to and along the said curtilage and its continuation in a straight line to the junction of Noddleburn Road and Chapelton Drive at NG

Ref NS 2057 6051; then eastward and southeastward along the said drive to Brisbane Glen Road; then southwestward along the said road to and southwestward along Brisbane Road to and northeastward along Glenacre Drive to George Street; then southeastward and southwestward along George Street to and northwestward along Nelson Street to and southward along Wilson Street to Gateside Street; then eastward along the said street to and southeastward along New Street and its prolongation in a straight line to the Gogo Water; then southwestward along the Gogo Water to the northern boundary of EW 26; then southwestward, southward and southwestward along the northern and western boundaries of EW 26 to the centreline of the Firth of Clyde; then northwestward in a straight line to the western boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then northeastward along the said Council boundary to the point of commencement.

Note: This ward includes the islands of Great Cumbrae and Little Cumbrae.

Ward 28

Largs East

Commencing at NG Ref NS 2050 5919 where Irvine Road crosses the Gogo Water on the southern boundary of EW 27; then eastward and generally northward along the southern and eastern boundaries of EW 27 to the junction of Chapelton Drive and Brisbane Glen Road at NG Ref NS 2072 6041; then northeastward along the said road to an unnamed road leading to Dochra Cottage; then southeastward along the said unnamed road to where it crosses an unnamed burn at NG Ref NS 2116 6060; then southeastward and eastward along the said unnamed burn to a point in line with the eastern boundary of Inverclyde National Recreation Centre at NG Ref NS 2154 6050; then southward to and generally southward along the said boundary to an unnamed stream at NG Ref NS 2156 6030; then westward and southwestward along the said unnamed stream to its confluence with an unnamed stream at NG Ref NS 2137 6002; then northeastward along the said unnamed stream to a field boundary at NG Ref NS 2148 6006; then southeastward and northeastward along the said field boundary to NG Ref NS 2162 6001; then southwestward in a straight line to NG Ref NS 2162 5990 on an unnamed track leading past Holehouse; then southwestward in a straight line to a point on the northern boundary of EW 26 on the Gogo Water at NG Ref NS 2137 5920; then generally

westward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 29

Largs North and Skelmorlie

Commencing at an undeterminable point on the Firth of Clyde where the northern boundary of EW 27 meets the western boundary of North Ayrshire Council; then generally northeastward, southeastward, southwestward and southeastward along the said Council boundary to the northern boundary of EW 19; then generally southwestward along the said EW boundary to the northern boundary of EW 26; then generally westward along the said EW boundary to the eastern boundary of EW 28; then northeastward, northwestward and southwestward along the said EW boundary to the northern boundary of EW 27; then generally westward along the said EW boundary to the point of commencement.

Ward 30

Arran

Commencing at an undeterminable point on the centreline of the Firth of Clyde where the northwestern boundary of North Ayrshire Council meets the southwestern boundary of EW 27; then southeastward along the southwestern boundaries of EWs 26, 25, 24, 23, 20, 14 and 1 to an undeterminable point on the southern boundary of North Ayrshire Council on the centreline of the Firth of Clyde; then southwestward, westward, northwestward, northward, northeastward and eastward along the southern, western and northern boundaries of North Ayrshire Council to the point of commencement.