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From: JOHN Martin [mailto:mjohn@oxford.gov.uk]
Sent: 01 April 2011 15:25
To: Reviews@
Subject: Submission on the Oxfordshire review from Oxford City Council

Hello,

This is the formal submission of Oxford City Council's scheme relating the current review of county divisions in Oxfordshire.

The scheme is submitted subject to formal endorsement by the City Executive Board on 13th April 2011. If the Board make any amendments I will immediately communicate them to you.

I therefore attach a map, a proposal, a street list and commentary for our proposal. I also attach the report being submitted to our CEB.

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Thank you

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Oxford City Council
Proposals for County Divisions

Polling District Splits

<u>PD/Street</u>	<u>Electors</u>	<u>Electors</u>
	2010	2016

BB -

Into: St Magaret's & Summertown

Aldrich Road	122	
Banbury Road	135	
Grimbly Place	9	
Harpes Road	130	
Islip Road	208	
Salisbury Crescent	75	
Water Eaton Road	101	
Wentworth Road	69	
Total	849	913

Into: Wolvercote & Summertown

Bodley Place	23	
Buckler Road	59	
Carlton Road	84	
Cavendish Road	89	
Hawksmoor Road	110	
Jackson Road	144	
Scott Road	69	
Southdale Road	111	
Wolsey Road	148	
Wren Road	27	
Wyatt Road	52	
Total	916	913

DA -

Into: St Magaret's & Summertown

Butler Close	75	
Farndon Road	64	
Kingston Road	319	
Leckford Place	10	
Leckford Road	139	
Longworth Road	27	
Plantation Road	119	
Rutherway	60	
Southmoor Road	250	
St Bernard's Road	141	
Tackley Place	28	
Walton Well Road	327	
Warnborough Road	97	
Total	1,656	1697

Into:North Central/Univ.Parks

Acer Walk	2	
Aristotle Lane	0	
Balliol Court	27	
Banbury Road	69	
Benson Place	22	
Bradmore Road	59	
Canterbury Road	41	
Church Walk	19	
Crick Road	47	
Fyfield Road	52	
Merrivale Square	72	
Merton Court	21	
Norham Gardens	191	
Norham Mews	1	
Norham Road	101	
North Parade Avenue	15	
Park Town	150	
Plater Drive	109	
Walton Street	19	
William Lucy Way	78	
Winchester Road	76	
Woodstock Road	247	
Total	1,418	1697

FB -**Into:North Central/Univ.Parks**

Blackhall Road	16	
Broad Street	391	
High Street	49	
Market Street	0	
Museum Road	174	
Parks Road	356	
Radcliffe Square	140	
Ship Street	73	
Turl Street	379	
St Giles`s Street	418	
Total	1,996	2506

Into: Jericho and Osney

Beaumont Buildings	26	
Beaumont Lane	1	
Beaumont Street	37	
Becket Street	12	
Bulwarks Lane	0	
Cornmarket Street	2	
Frewin Court	0	
Friars Entry	2	
George Street	20	
George Street Mews	0	
Gloucester Green	64	
Gloucester Street	4	
Hamel Walk	17	
Hollybush Row	39	

Hythe Bridge Street	1	
Little Clarendon Street	5	
Lower Fisher Row	33	
Magdalen Street	1	
New Inn Hall Street	306	
New Road	28	
Osney Lane	38	
Oxpens Road	3	
Park End Street	15	
Pusey Lane	18	
Pusey Street	46	
Rowland Hill Court	76	
Shoe Lane	0	
St John Street	117	
St Michael's Street	7	
St Thomas's Street	233	
The Hamel	22	
Walton Street	87	
Wellington Place	7	
Wellington Square	64	
Woodbine Place	31	
Woodin's Way	91	
Total	1,453	1670

MB -

Into: Rose Hill & Littlemore

Annesley Road	108	
Court Place Gardens	49	
Courtland Road	163	
Egerton Road	34	
Ellesmere Road	37	
Henley Avenue	85	
Hunsdon Road	64	
Iffley Turn	22	
Rose Hill (part)	250	
Villiers Lane	10	
Total	822	979

Into: Cowley

Church Hill Road	126	
Westbury Crescent	176	
Wykeham Crescent	80	
Rose Hill (part)	75	
Total	457	489

SA -

Into: Churchill and Lye Valley

Brasenose Driftway	73	
Burton Place	59	
Corunna Crescent	58	
Cranmer Road	71	

Craufurd Road	73	
Fairfax Road	44	
Fanshawe Place	16	
Fletcher Road	96	
Hollow Way	130	
Horspath Road	222	
Ivy Close	19	
Normandy Crescent	231	
Paget Road	87	
Ridley Road	33	
Rupert Road	50	
White Road	189	
Yeats Close	30	
Total	1,481	1475

Into: Cowley

Bleache Place	34	
Burbush Road	7	
Fern Hill Road	358	
Marshall Road	93	
Oliver Road	248	
Sunnyside	42	
Wilkins Road	210	
Total	992	984

XC -

Into: Headington & Quarry

Crotch Crescent		
Doris Field Close	159	
Feilden Grove	18	
Hadow Road	50	
Harberton Mead	49	
Headington Hill	74	
Headington Road	0	
Holmes Park	74	
Jack Straw's Lane	7	
Lynn Close	181	
Marston Road	68	
Mary Price Close	123	
McCabe Place	57	
Pullens Field	30	
Pullens Lane	19	
Rolfe Place	119	
Total	28	
	1,056	1026

Into: Marston and Northway

John Garne Way (all student accommodation)	1,297	1026
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City Council Submission to the Boundary Commission

Barton, Sandhills and Risinghurst: The city ward of Barton & Sandhills is combined with two polling districts (UC & UD), which make up the Risinghurst section of Quarry & Risinghurst ward. We also include VA which is linked to Barton by a pedestrian underpass. VB to the north west of Barton will see Oxford's largest estate of new housing.

We have excluded TD (which we add to Churchill & Lye Valley) and UE (which we add to Headington & Quarry). These are both within the boundary of Sandhills & Risinghurst Parish but in reality both are cut off from the rest of the parish by the ring road. TD in particular sees itself as part of the Wood Farm ward.

(If TD and UE must be included in Barton, Sandhills and Risinghurst, we would exclude that part of VA west of Barton Road to ensure equality of numbers. Barton Road is a clear boundary if the VA polling district is to be divided.)

Churchill & Lye Valley: The city ward of Churchill is combined with most of the Lye Valley ward. The dividing line of Marshall Road is separated from the rest of the SA polling district by a recreation ground and a school. Streets to the north look more towards Horspath Road and Lye valley. To the south the focus is more towards the Cowley shopping centre.

The part of SA east of the ring road contains the BMW car plant and has no electors.

Marston & Northway: The city ward of Marston is combined with the Headington & Northway ward, except for part of XC. The John Garne Way complex of student accommodation in XC, which faces Marston Road, is included in Marston & Northway. The rest of XC, around Pullens Lane, looks much more towards the suburb of Headington.

Wolvercote & Summertown: The city ward of Wolvercote is combined with the north part of the suburb of Summertown. We include BA and that part of BB to the north of Wentworth & Aldrich Roads. This is a natural divide between the Cuttleslowe area to the north and Sunnymede to the south.

St Margarets: The city ward of St Margarets is combined with the south part of BB and that part of DA west of Woodstock Road, called Walton Manor. The new division is that section of the north Oxford suburb to the east and south of the Summertown shopping centre.

University Parks: Parts of the city wards of North (including Park Town) and Holywell and the area to the east of St Giles come together around the University Parks. This is a predominately student area bounded by High Street, Cornmarket and St Giles and by the Cherwell River.

Jericho & Osney: The city ward of Jericho and Osney is combined with Carfax ward to the west of St Giles. The new division includes the large green space of Port Meadow. The new division comprises the population to the west of the line created by St Giles, Cornmarket and St Aldates and the communities centred around Botley Road.

Isis: The city ward of Hinksey Park is combined with the area to the south of the High Street, the Donnington estate and Iffley Village. It is joined together by Folly Bridge, Donnington Bridge and Iffley Lock. In this case the river unites the various communities. There are good walking, cycling and road links bringing the division together.

Iffley Fields & St Marys: St Mary's ward is combined with most of the city ward of Iffley Fields. The new division is bounded by the River Thames and Iffley Road. The LA polling district of Donnington is excluded because it has close community links with the Weirs Lane area on the west side of Donnington Bridge.

Rose Hill & Littlemore: The city ward of Littlemore is combined with nearly all of Rose Hill ward. Iffley Village (MA) which looks to the river and the Westbury Crescent area to the east of the Rose Hill main road are excluded.

Iffley Village goes into Isis, to which it is joined by Meadow Lane and Iffley Lock. The Westbury Crescent part of MB goes into Cowley to which it naturally belongs.

Leys: The city wards of Blackbird Leys and Northfield Brook are combined. The boundaries are Watlington Road, Grenoble Road, part of the railway line and the ring road.

Cowley: The city ward of Cowley is combined with parts of Cowley Marsh ward (RB) and part of the SA polling district from the Lye Valley ward to cover most of the suburb of Cowley. The new division centres on the Cowley district shopping centre. Marshall Road to the south is divided from that part of SA to the north by a recreation ground.

The Westbury Crescent and Church Hill Road area around the cemetery, and to the east of the road called Rose Hill, sits better with Cowley than it does with Rose Hill ward.

St Clements & Cowley Marsh: The city ward of St Clements is combined with that part of Cowley Marsh ward (RA) to the west of Cowley Marsh recreation ground. The new division is bounded by the recreation ground, Southfield Golf Course, South Park and Cowley Road. It includes the St Clements area where the boundary is the River Cherwell.

Headington & Quarry: The city ward of Headington is combined with part of the Pullens Lane area (XC), with Quarry and with the VA polling district around Barton Road. We exclude the student flats of John Garne Way from XC which go into the Marston and Northway division.

Headington and Quarry merge easily together, as does VA which looks much more to Headington than it does to Barton. The new division is bounded by the ring road on one side, includes the district shopping centre of Headington and the area to the north of Headington Hill.

OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL: PROPOSALS FOR DIVISION - VER VERSION 5

Division name	PDs included	2016 nos.	Division Total	Variance
				8326
<u>Barton, Sandhills, Risinghurst</u>	VA	1076		
	VB	1358		
	VC	860		
	VD	1202		
	VE	1823		
	UC	687		
	UD	1350		
			8356	0%
<u>Churchill & Lye Valley</u>	SB	2538		
	TA	1735		
	TB	652		
	TC	1728		
(N of Marshall Road)	SA part of	1475		
	TD	442		
			8570	3%
<u>Marston & Northway</u>	YA	2735		
	YB	589		
	YC	1413		
	XA	1175		
	XB	1259		
(John Garne Way only)	XC part of	1026		
			8197	-1%
<u>Wolvercote & Summertown</u>	AA	1208		
	AB	1978		
	AC	874		
	AD	1252		
	BA	2161		
(N of Wentworth & Aldrich Rds)	BB part of	913		
			8386	1.00%
<u>St Margarets</u>				
(S of Wentworth & Aldrich Rds)	BB part of	913		
	BC	1260		
	CA	2866		
	CB	1628		
(W of Woodstock Road)	DA part of	1697		
			8364	0.00%

<u>University Parks</u>	DB	1453		
	GA	2976		
(E of St. Giles)	FB part of	2506		
(E of Woodstock Rd)	DA part of	1,697		
			<u>8632</u>	4%
<u>Jericho & Osney</u>	EA	1732		
	EB	693		
	EC	2929		
	FA	1425		
(W of st Giles)	FB part of	1670		
			<u>8449</u>	1.00%
<u>Isis</u>	HA	1937		
	HB	2195		
	HC	566		
	GB	1316		
	GC	163		
	LA	1043		
	MA	1091		
	MD	85		
			<u>8396</u>	1.00%
<u>lffley Fields & St. Mary's</u>	LB	1288		
	LC	2069		
	KA	3410		
	KB	1020		
	KC	282		
			<u>8069</u>	-3.00%
<u>Rose Hill & Littlemore</u>				
(not E of Rose Hill)	MB part of	979		
	MC	1561		
	ME	580		
	NA	1375		
	NB	1103		
	ND	1618		
	NC	928		
			<u>8144</u>	-2.00%
<u>Leys</u>	PA	1805		
	PB	2227		
	OA	1681		
	OB	2780		
			<u>8493</u>	2.00%

<u>Cowley</u>	RB	2590		
	QA	1842		
	QB	2313		
(S of Marshall & Oliver Rds)	SA part of	984		
(E of Rose Hill)	MB part of	489		
			<u>8218</u>	-1.00%
<u>St. Clements & Cowley Marsh</u>	JA	2820		
	JB	2654		
	RA	2533		
			<u>8007</u>	-4.00%
<u>Headington & Quarry</u>	WA	2247		
	WB	803		
	WC	1226		
(exclude John Garne Way)	XC part of	1026		
	UA	851		
	UB	1988		
	UE	231		
			<u>8372</u>	0.50%

To: City Executive Board

Date: Wednesday 13th April 2011 **Item No:** 7

Report of: Head of Law and Governance

Title of Report: REVIEW OF OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
DIVISION BOUNDARIES

Summary and Recommendations

Purpose of report: This report summarises why the County Council is having an electoral review and proposes a scheme of divisions for Oxford.

Key decision? No

Executive lead member: Councillor Bob Price

Report Approved by:

Executive Director: n/a

Finance : Jacqueline Yates

Legal: Jeremy Thomas

Policy Framework: n/a

Recommendation: That City Executive Board:

endorse the submission of the attached scheme to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.

1. Attached as appendices are the following:
 - i. Appendix I is a spreadsheet showing the proposed new divisions and their constituent polling districts;
 - ii. Appendix II is a narrative explanation of the proposals;

iii. Appendix III is an indicative plan of the proposals

Executive Summary

2. In October 2010 the Local Government Boundary Commission for England announced that it was holding an interim electoral review of Oxfordshire County Council.
3. This interim review was outside the normal review programme and was triggered by a significant imbalance in electoral equality in a division in Witney.
4. In December the Commission announced that it had accepted the County Council's proposal that the total council size should be around 64/65 councillors (reduced from 74) and sought proposals from interested parties as to division boundaries. Each division is required to be within 10% of the average number of electors per division calculated across the whole county. Any proposals had to be based on projected electorate levels in 2016.
5. Currently Oxford is represented by 16 county councillors, two in each of eight divisions. Each division is comprised of three city council wards and therefore no ward is split between county divisions. This makes the current scheme easy to understand and administer.
6. The total number of county councillors notionally allocated to Oxford under the proposed County Council membership is 14. This means that it is not possible to keep wards wholly within a division and many will have to split.
7. The deadline for submissions to the Commission consultation was 3rd April 2011. The scheme, as appended, has been submitted as the Council's formal response subject the endorsement of the City Executive Board.
8. The Commission will consider the responses to the consultation and publish boundary proposals later in the year. Those proposals will be the subject of a further consultation exercise and a further report to the Board.

Legal Implications

9. None.

Equalities Implications

10. None .

Financial Implications

11. None.

Recommendations

That the City Executive Board:

endorse the submission of the attached scheme to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.

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List of background papers: Only published works

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