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Summary Report

The full report and detailed maps: www.consultation.lgbce.org.uk www.lgbce.org.uk

Our Recommendations

The table lists all the wards we are proposing as part of our final recommendations along with the number of electors in each ward. The table also shows the electoral variances for each of the proposed wards which tells you how we have delivered electoral equality. Finally, the table includes electorate projections for 2028 so you can see the impact of the recommendations for the future.

Ward Name	Number of councillors	Electorate (2022)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average (%)	Electorate (2028)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average (%)
All Saints	2	4,461	2,231	-2%	4,521	2,261	-5%
Battledown	2	4,682	2,341	3%	4,848	2,424	2%
Benhall, the Reddings & Fiddler's Green	2	4,842	2,421	7%	5,098	2,549	7%
Charlton Kings	2	4,443	2,222	-2%	4,446	2,223	-7%
Charlton Park	2	4,151	2,076	-8%	4,315	2,158	-10%
College	2	4,193	2,097	-7%	4,294	2,147	-10%
Hesters Way	2	4,828	2,414	7%	5,034	2,517	5%
Lansdown	2	4,657	2,329	3%	4,733	2,367	-1%
Leckhampton	2	4,111	2,056	-9%	4,840	2,420	1%
Oakley	2	4,299	2,150	-5%	4,637	2,318	-3%
Park	2	4,498	2,249	-1%	4,424	2,212	-7%
Pittville	2	4,719	2,360	4%	4,789	2,395	0%
Prestbury	2	4,951	2,476	9%	4,924	2,462	3%
Springbank	2	4,780	2,390	6%	5,106	2,553	7%
St Mark's	2	4,749	2,375	5%	5,002	2,501	5%
St Paul's	2	4,172	2,086	-8%	4,616	2,308	-3%
St Peter's	2	4,917	2,459	9%	5,166	2,583	8%
Swindon Village	2	3,811	1,906	-16%	5,196	2,598	9%
Up Hatherley	2	4,974	2,487	10%	5,068	2,534	6%
Warden Hill	2	4,378	2,189	-3%	4,426	2,213	-7%
Totals	40	90,616	•	•	95,484	-	-
Averages	-	-	2,265	-	-	2,387	-

Cheltenham Borough Council

Final Recommendations on the new electoral

arrangements



Who we are

- The Local Government Boundary Commission for England is an independent body set up by Parliament.
- We are not part of government or any political party.
- We are accountable to Parliament through a committee of MPs chaired by the Speaker of the House of Commons.
- Our main role is to carry out electoral reviews of local authorities throughout England.

Electoral review

An electoral review examines and proposes new electoral arrangements for a local authority, including:

- The total number of councillors representing the council's electors ('council size').
- The names, number and boundaries of wards or electoral divisions.
- The number of councillors for each ward or division.

Why Cheltenham?

- The Commission has a legal duty to carry out an electoral review of each council in England 'from time to time'.
- Cheltenham Borough Council has not been reviewed since 2000 and the Commission has therefore decided that it should review Cheltenham in advance of the elections in 2024.

Our proposals

- Cheltenham Borough Council currently has 40 councillors. Based on the evidence we received, we recommend that 40 councillors should serve the council in the future.
- We believe our final recommendations meet our statutory criteria to:
 - 1. Deliver electoral equality for electors
 - 2. Reflect community interests and identities
 - 3. Promote effective and convenient local government

Summary of our recommendations

We have considered all of the submissions we received during our consultation on our draft recommendations.

The final recommendations propose that Cheltenham Borough Council should have 40 councillors, the same as there are now.

Cheltenham should have 20 wards, the same as there are now. The boundaries of all but two of the existing wards should change; Charlton Kings and Oakley.

The councillors should represent 20 two-councillor wards across the borough.

An outline of the proposals is shown in the map to the right. A detailed report on the recommendations and interactive mapping is available on our website at: www.lgbce.org.uk.

Find out more at consultation.lgbce.org.uk:

- view the map of our recommendations down to street level.
- zoom into the areas that interest you most.
- read the full report of our recommendations.
- find more guidance on the review process

Stage of Review	Description		
24 May 2022 -	Public consultation on warding		
1 August 2022	arrangements		
1 November 2022 -	Public consultation on draft		
9 January 2023	recommendations		
4 April 2023	Publication of final		
	recommendations		
	Subject to parliamentary		
May 2024	approval - implementation of		
	new arrangements at local		
	elections		

Overview of final recommendations for Cheltenham Borough Council

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