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 2027 so you can see the impact of the recommendations for the future.

Fenland District Council

Final Recommendations on the new electoral arrangements

	Ward name	No of Clirs	Electorate (2021)	Number of electors per Cllr	Variance from average %	Electorate (2027)	Number of electors per Cllr	Variance from average %
1	Chatteris North & Manea	3	5,799	1,933	8%	6,336	2,112	6%
2	Chatteris South	3	4,741	1,580	-12%	6,303	2,101	5%
3	Doddington & Wimblington	2	3,831	1,916	7%	4,314	2,157	8%
4	Elm & Christchurch	2	3,838	1,919	7%	4,136	2,068	3%
5	Leverington & Wisbech Rural	3	5,160	1,720	-4%	5,681	1,894	-5%
6	March East	3	5,292	1,764	-1%	5,621	1,874	-6%
7	March North	3	6,086	2,029	14%	6,373	2,124	6%
8	March South	2	2,910	1,455	-19%	3,849	1,925	-4%
9	March West & Benwick	2	3,767	1,884	5%	4,272	2,136	7%
10	Parson Drove & Wisbech St Mary	3	5,219	1,740	-3%	5,636	1,879	-6%
11	Whittlesey East & Villages	3	4,844	1,615	-10%	5,800	1,933	-3%
12	Whittlesey Lattersey	1	1,273	1,273	-29%	1,942	1,942	-3%
13	Whittlesey North West	2	3,777	1,889	6%	3,940	1,970	-1%
14	Whittlesey South	2	3,705	1,853	4%	3,792	1,896	-5%
15	Wisbech North	1	1,977	1,977	11%	1,968	1,968	-2%
16	Wisbech Riverside	2	3,585	1,793	0%	3,884	1,942	-3%
17	Wisbech South	3	5,663	1,888	6%	6,157	2,052	3%
18	Wisbech Walsoken & Waterlees	3	5,342	1,781	0%	5,940	1,980	-1%
	Totals	43	76,809	-	_	85,944	-	-
	Averages	_	_	1,786	_	_	1,999	-

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.

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

Why Fenland?

• The Commission is carrying out an electoral review of Fenland District Council to deliver electoral equality for electors across Fenland, due to a request from the Council.

Our proposals

- Fenland District Council currently has 39 councillors. Based on the evidence we received, we recommend that 43 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 the submissions we received during our consultation on our draft recommendations.

The final recommendations propose that Fenland District Council should have 43 councillors, a increase of four on its existing size and an increase of one on the draft recommendations. This increase of one is to facilitate a warding pattern that better reflects the rural communities in Fenland.

Fenland should have 18 wards, a decrease of six. The boundaries of all the existing wards should change. The 43 councillors should represent nine three-councillor wards, seven two-councillor wards and two single-councillor wards across the district.

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			
26 October 2021 - 10 January 2022	Public consultation on warding arrangments			
29 March 2022 - 6 June 2022	Public consultation on draft recommendations			
6 September 2022	Publication of final recommendations			
May 2023	Subject to parliamentary approval - implementation of new arrangements at local elections			

Overview of final recommendations for Fenland District Council

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	Ward name			
1	Chatteris North & Mane			
2	Chatteris South			
3	Doddington & Wimblington			
4	Elm & Christchurch			
5	Leverington & Wisbech Rural			
6	March East			
7	March North			
8	March South			
9	March West & Benwick			
10	Parson Drove & Wisbech St Mary			
11	Whittlesey East & Villages			
12	Whittlesey Lattersey			
13	Whittlesey North West			
14	Whittlesey South			
15	Wisbech North			
16	Wisbech Riverside			
17	Wisbech South			
18	Wisbech Walsoken & Waterlees			

