

Electoral Review of East Hertfordshire District Council – Warding Arrangements

Consultation Response of Hertford Town Council

Hertford Town Council recognises that this is a review of East Herts District Council's ward boundaries, but notes that boundaries agreed for the district council will be implemented for Hertford Town Council's wards.

We recognise that it is necessary for some Ward boundaries to move within Hertford, to achieve more equal representation of electors. However, we believe that the projected numbers indicate there is not a need for substantial changes to be made. We would wish to see existing communities within the town respected, and for boundary changes to be kept to a minimum.

We strongly believe that the perimeter boundary of the 4 wards taken together should remain as it is. This also forms the perimeter of the area served by Hertford Town Council, and recognises a long established community with a significant history as the County Town.

Hertford should retain 10 District Councillors. We believe this is necessary to manage the workload, and to ensure the town is appropriately represented on East Herts District Council. Hertford Town Council should continue to be represented by 16 councillors, which we have found over many decades to be the appropriate number to represent residents and undertake the work on committees and other activities.

We look forward to seeing the draft proposals put forward by the Boundary Commission next Spring, and will respond to these.