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I wish to make a submission to the review of South Staffordshire District Council.

I understand that the review will take into account the projected number of electors in 2027. However I am uncertain about the elector/councillor ratio that is being projected by LGBCE for 2027. I attach an extract from the SSDC submission on council size. Has the LGBCE accepted that a realistic estimate for 2027 is 2212 electors per councillor giving a total electorate of $41 \times 2212 = 90692$.

Members also considered the impact of the Council's Draft Local Plan and the housing projections for the district. It was acknowledged that inevitably there will be housing growth within South Staffordshire and thus an increased population. Reducing councillor numbers below the 41 proposed would be unworkable given the housing projections to 2027 and beyond. At 41 councillors, each councillor would represent 2,130 electors by 2027; this is without the housing projections from the Draft Local Plan taken into account. If these housing projections were taken into account, then the figure would rise to 2,212. The Council is of the view that this is the realistic electorate projection for 2027.

Many thanks.