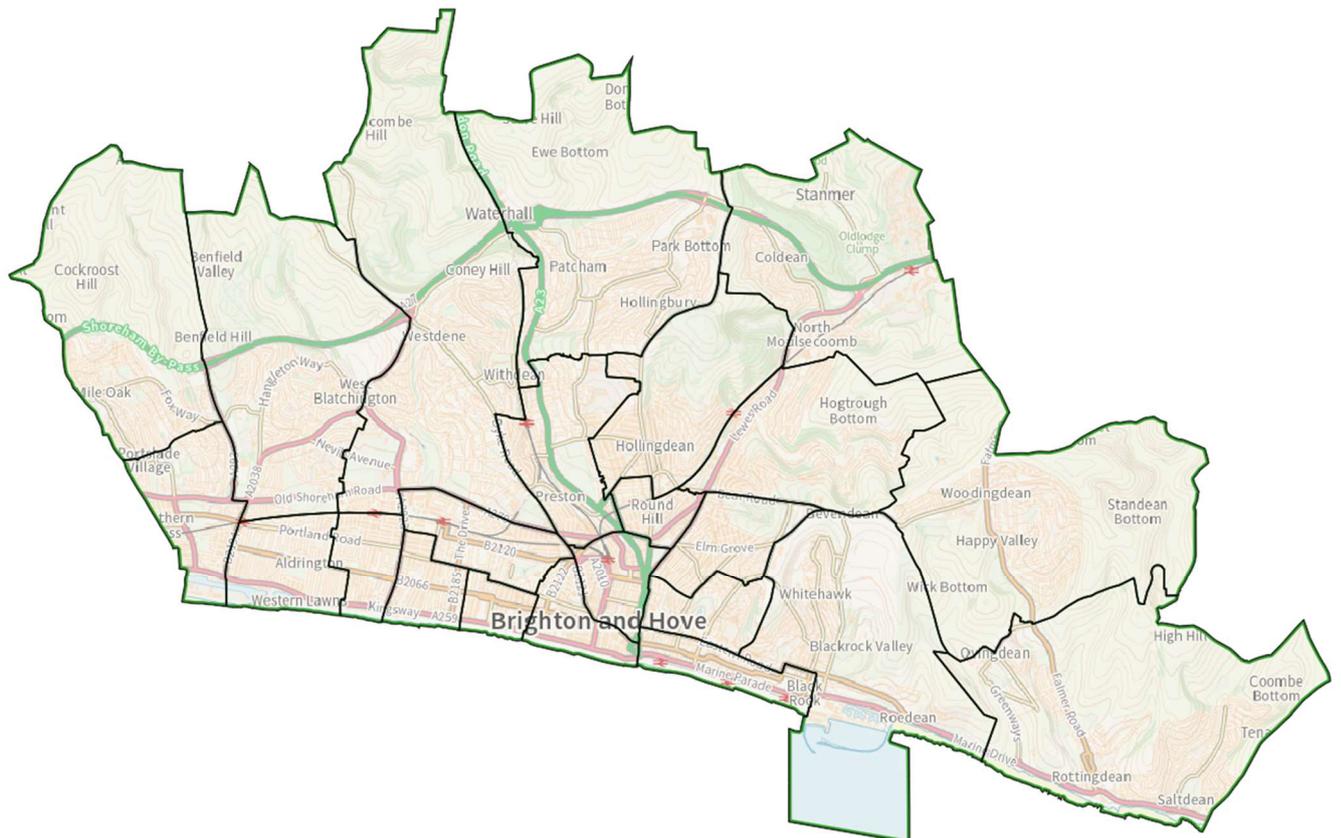


News Release from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England

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New political map for Brighton & Hove City Council

Brighton & Hove is set to have new boundaries for its council wards.



New wards for Brighton & Hove

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High resolution map available at [https://s3-eu-west-](https://s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/lgbce/Reviews/South%20East/East%20Sussex/Brighton%20%26%20Hove/Final/Brighton%20FR%20Map%20no%20labels.png)

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The Local Government Boundary Commission is the independent body that draws these boundaries. It has reviewed Brighton & Hove to make sure councillors will represent about the same number of electors, and that ward arrangements will help the council work effectively.

The Commission has published final recommendations for changes in Brighton & Hove. It says residents should be represented by 54 councillors. This is the same as the current arrangements.

There will be 23 wards, an increase of two from the current arrangements. There will be eight three-councillor wards and 15 two-councillor wards. Five wards will remain the same and 16 wards will have different boundaries.

Publishing the recommendations Professor Colin Mellors, Chair of the Commission, said:

“We are very grateful to people in Brighton & Hove. We looked at all the views they gave us. They helped us improve our earlier proposals.

“We believe the new arrangements will deliver electoral fairness while maintaining local ties.”

1,033 people and organisations made comments to help decide the new wards. Changes in response to what local people said include:

- Returning to a modified version of initial proposals to ensure that the community of Patcham is not divided. Over 600 submissions were received in response to a second set of proposals for this area.
- Retaining slightly modified versions of the existing boundaries for Regency ward and Brunswick & Adelaide ward, having received compelling evidence from local residents to retain the existing boundaries.
- Extending the proposed Kemptown ward to include Arundel Street, reflecting strong arguments made by local residents that the proposals had divided the community in this area.

The Commission has made further changes to its earlier proposals. Details can be found on its website at <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/south-east/east-sussex/brighton-and-hove>.

The changes become law once Parliament has approved them. Staff at the council will ensure that the arrangements are in place for the 2023 elections.

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Notes to editors:

This consultation relates to the arrangements for local government elections. It is separate from consultations that are currently taking place across England on arrangements for parliamentary elections.

For further information contact the Commission’s press office on 0330 500 1525 / 1250 or email press@lgbce.org.uk

An interactive map is available at <https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/29490>.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England is an independent body accountable to Parliament. It recommends fair electoral and boundary arrangements for local authorities in England. In doing so, it aims to:

- Make sure that, within an authority, each councillor represents a similar number of electors

- Create boundaries that are appropriate, and reflect community ties and identities
- Deliver reviews informed by local needs, views and circumstances