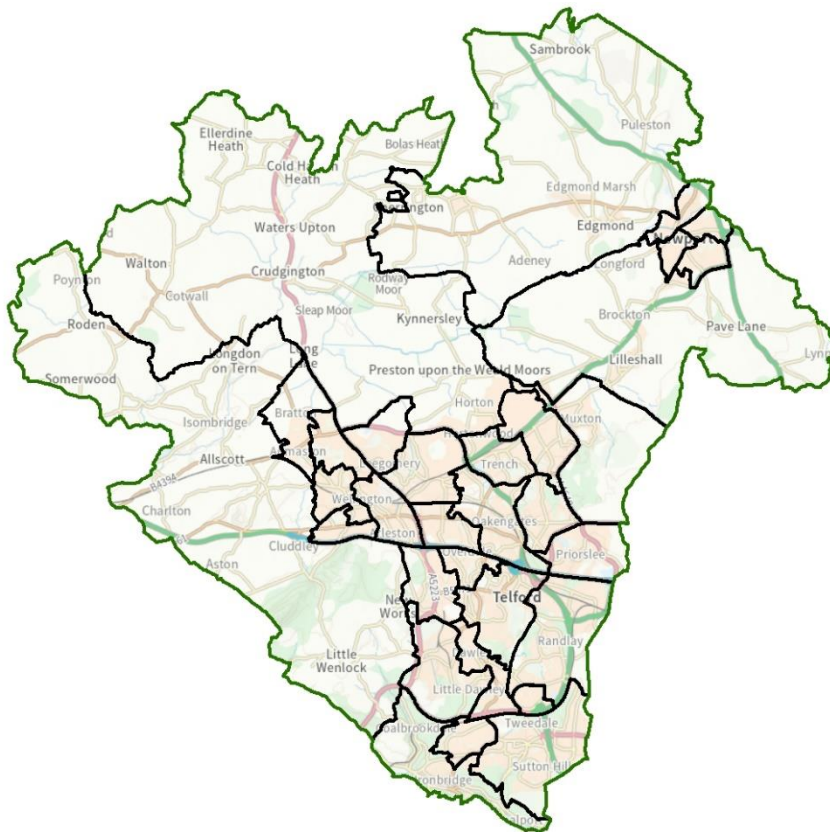


## News Release from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England

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New political map for Telford & Wrekin Borough Council

Telford & Wrekin is set to have new boundaries for its council wards.



New wards for Telford & Wrekin Borough Council

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High resolution map available at [https://s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/lgbce/Telford%26Wrekin\\_F\\_SO\\_0.pdf](https://s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/lgbce/Telford%26Wrekin_F_SO_0.pdf)

The Local Government Boundary Commission is the independent body that draws these boundaries. It has reviewed Telford & Wrekin 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 to Telford & Wrekin Borough Council. It says residents should be represented by 54 councillors. This is the same as the current arrangements.

There will be 32 wards. This two more than current arrangements. The boundaries of all but one ward will change, Madeley & Sutton Hill will remain the same.

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

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

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

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352 submissions from local residents and organisations helped decide the new wards. Changes in response to what local people said include:

- altering our draft recommendations to ensure that the village of Horsehay is not divided between wards,
- responding to additional community evidence regarding links between Oakengates and neighbouring areas.

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/west-midlands/shropshire/telford-and-wrekin>

Parliament now needs to agree the changes. The new arrangements will then apply for the 2023 council elections.

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**Notes to editors:**

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An interactive map is available at <https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/27836>

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