#### The Local Government **Boundary Commission** for England

#### Have your say

We are now consulting local people on a new pattern of wards for North Northamptonshire Council. We have an open mind about our final recommendations, and we will consider every piece of evidence we receive from local groups and people, regardless of whom it is from or whether it relates to the whole council area or just a part of it.

If you agree with our recommendations, please let us know. If you don't think our recommendations are right for North Northamptonshire we want to hear alternative proposals for a different pattern of wards.

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## North Northamptonshire Council

Draft Recommendations on the new electoral

### arrangements

We aim to propose a pattern of wards for North Northamptonshire Council which delivers:

- Electoral equality: each councillor represents a similar number of electors.
- Community identity: reflects the identity and interests of local communities.
- Effective and convenient local government: helping your council discharge its responsibilities effectively.

#### A good pattern of wards should:

- Provide good electoral equality, with each councillor representing, as closely as possible, the same number of electors.
- Reflect community interests and identities and include evidence of community links.
- Be based on strong, easily identifiable boundaries.
- Help the council deliver effective and convenient local government.

#### Electoral equality

Does your proposal mean that councillors would represent roughly the same number of electors as elsewhere in the council area?

#### Community identity

- Transport links: are there good links across your proposed ward? Is there any form of public transport?
- Community groups: is there a parish council, residents association or another group that represents the area?
- Facilities: does your pattern of wards reflect where local people go for shops, medical services, leisure facilities etc?

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- Interests: what issues bind the community together or separate it from other parts of your area?
- Identifiable boundaries: are there natural or constructed features which make strong boundaries for your proposals?

#### Effective local government

- Are any of the proposed wards too large or small to be represented effectively?
- Are the proposed names of the wards appropriate?

#### Useful tips

- Our website has a special consultation area where you can explore the maps. You can find it at www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/ north-northamptonshire.
- We publish all submissions we receive on our website.

Our website: www.lgbce.org.uk Email: reviews@lgbce.org.uk Twitter: @LGBCE

#### 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 on the council.
- The names, number and boundaries of wards or • electoral divisions.
- The number of councillors for each ward or division.



Why North Northamptonshire?

• The Commission is carrying out an electoral review of North Northamptonshire as it is a new local authority.

#### Our proposals

• We propose that the council should have 68 councillors in future, representing representing five single-member wards, twelve two-member wards and thirteen three-member wards.

#### You have until 7 August 2023 to have your say on the recommendations

#### Summary of our recommendations

Our draft recommendations propose that North Northamptonshire Council should have 68 councillors, a decrease of ten from the existing arrangements.

Those councillors should rrepresent five single-member wards, twelve two-member wards and thirteen three-member wards.

Before drawing up the draft recommendations, the Commission carried out a public consultation inviting proposals for a new pattern of wards for North Northamptonshire.

We have considered all of the submissions we received during that phase of consultation. The boundaries of all wards should change.

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.

We welcome comments on our draft recommendations, whether you support the proposals or wish to put forward alternative arrangements.

#### Have your say at www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/ north-northamptonshire/feedback

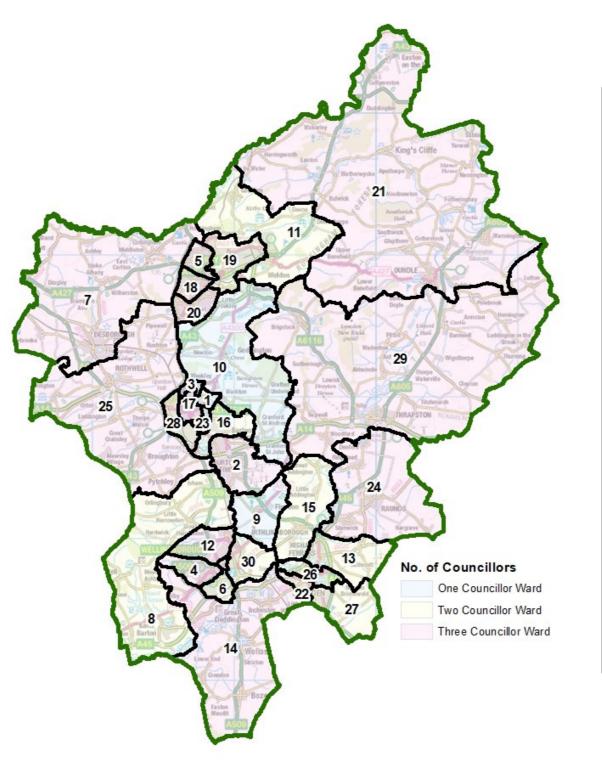
- view the map of our recommendations down to street level.
- zoom into the areas that interest you most.
- find more guidance on how to have your say.
- read the full report of our recommendations.
- send us your views directly.

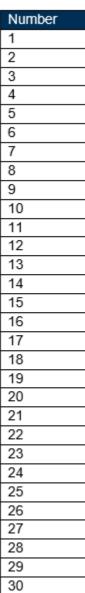
Stage of Review	Description
19 November 2022 -	Public consultation on warding
6 March 2023	arrangments
30 May 2023 -	Public consultation on draft
7 August 2023	recommendations
31 October 2023	Publication of final
01 000001 2020	recommendations
May 2025	Subject to parliamentary
	approval - implementation of
	new arrangements at local
	elections

# **Overview of draft recommendations for North Northamptonshire Council**

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Ward name
Avondale Grange
Barton Seagrave & Burton Latimer
Brambleside
Brickhill & Queensway
Corby West
Croyland & Swanspool
Desborough
Earls Barton
Finedon
Geddington & Stanion
Gretton & Weldon
Hatton Park
Higham Ferrers
Irchester
Irthlingborough
Ise
Kettering Central
Kingswood
Lloyds & Corby Village
Oakley
Oundle
Pemberton
Pipers Hill
Raunds
Rothwell & Mawsley
Rushden Lakes
Rushden South
St Peter & St Michael
Thrapston
Victoria