

Have your say

We are now consulting local people on a new pattern of divisions for Shropshire 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 Shropshire we want to hear alternative proposals for a different pattern of divisions.

Shropshire Council

Draft Recommendations on the new electoral arrangements

We aim to propose a pattern of divisions for Shropshire 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 divisions 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 division? 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 divisions reflect where local people go for shops, medical services, leisure facilities etc?

Write to:
Review Officer (Shropshire)
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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?

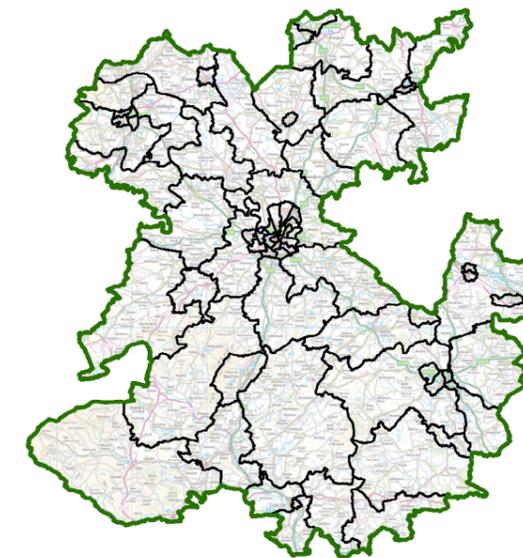
Effective local government

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

Useful tips

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

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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 representing the council's electors ('council size').
- The names, number and boundaries of wards or electoral divisions.
- The number of councillors for each ward or division.

Why Shropshire

- Shropshire Council currently has high levels of electoral inequality: some councillors represent many more - or many fewer - electors than others.
- We are seeking to improve levels of electoral equality for local electors

Our proposals

- We propose that the council should have 74 councillors in future, representing 70 single-member and two two-member divisions across the council area.

You have until 10 July 2023 to have your say on the recommendations

Summary of our recommendations

Our draft recommendations propose that Shropshire Council should have 74 councillors, the same as the existing arrangements.

Those councillors should represent 70 single-member and two two-member divisions across the council area.

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

We have considered all of the submissions we received during that phase of consultation. The boundaries of most divisions 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/shropshire:

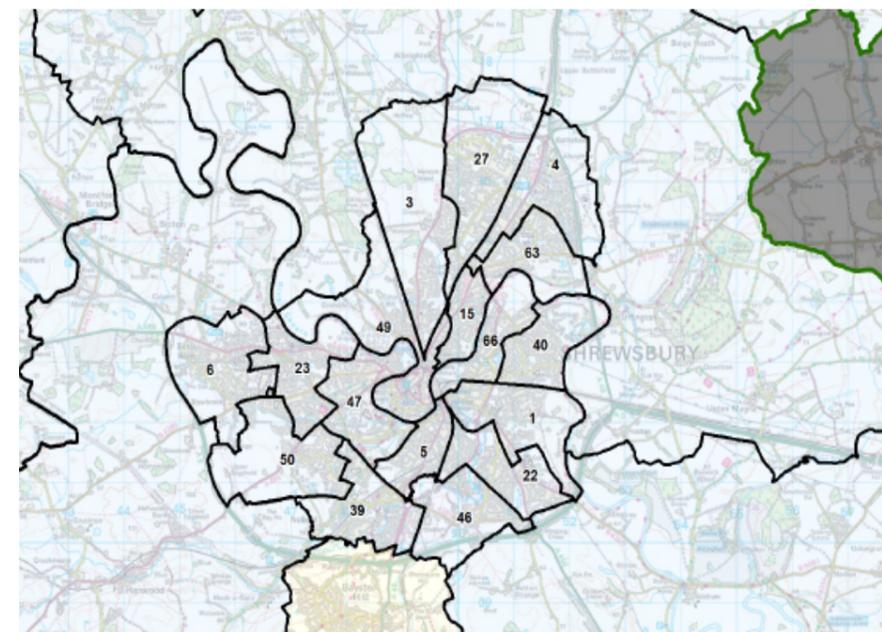
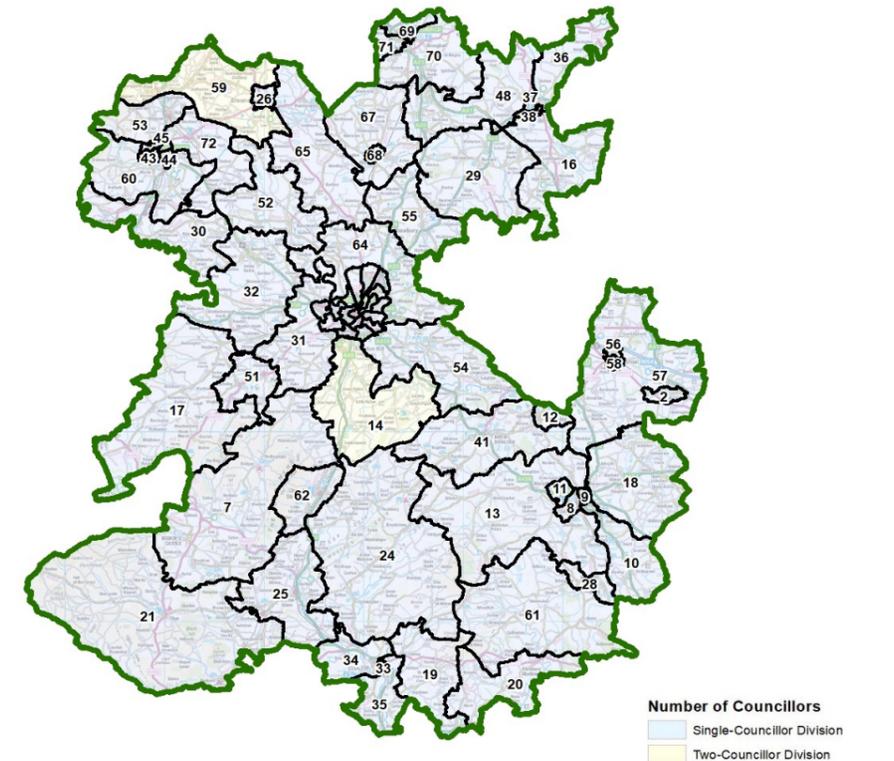
- view the map of our recommendations down to street level.
- zoom into the areas that interest you most.
- find more guidance on how to have your say.
- read the full report of our recommendations.
- send us your views directly.

Stage of Review	Description
22 November 2022 - 30 January 2023	Public consultation on division arrangements
2 May 2023 - 10 July 2023	Public consultation on draft recommendations
3 October 2023	Publication of final recommendations
May 2025	Subject to parliamentary approval - implementation of new arrangements at local elections

Overview of draft recommendations for Shropshire Council

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Number	Ward name
1	Abbey
2	Albrighton
3	Bagley
4	Battlefield
5	Belle Vue
6	Bierton Heath
7	Bishop's Castle
8	Bridgnorth Castle
9	Bridgnorth East
10	Bridgnorth Rural
11	Bridgnorth West & Tasley
12	Broseley
13	Brown Clee
14	Burnell & Bayston Hill
15	Castlefields & Ditherington
16	Cheswardine
17	Chirbury & Worthen
18	Claverley & Worfield
19	Clee
20	Cleobury Mortimer
21	Clun
22	Column & Sutton
23	Cophorne
24	Corvedale
25	Craven Arms
26	Ellesmere Urban
27	Harlescott
28	Highley
29	Hodnet
30	Llanymynech
31	Longden
32	Loton
33	Ludlow East
34	Ludlow North
35	Ludlow South
36	Market Drayton East
37	Market Drayton North
38	Market Drayton South
39	Meole
40	Monkmoor
41	Much Wenlock
42	Oswestry Northeast
43	Oswestry South
44	Oswestry Southeast
45	Oswestry West
46	Otley & Reabrook
47	Porthill
48	Prees
49	Quarry & Coton Hill
50	Radbrook
51	Rea Valley
52	Ruyton & Bayschurch
53	Selattyn & Gobowen
54	Severn Valley
55	Shawbury
56	Shifnal North
57	Shifnal Rural
58	Shifnal South
59	St Martins
60	St Oswald
61	Stottesdon
62	Strettondale
63	Sundorne
64	Tern
65	The Meres
66	Underdale
67	Wem Rural
68	Wem Village
69	Whitchurch North
70	Whitchurch South
71	Whitchurch West
72	Whittington