

Submission to the LGBCE's Draft Recommendations on the Wokingham Borough Council Electoral Review 2023 specifically on the Wokingham Without Ward.

My submission on the initial consultation was given your reference [REDACTED] and proposed that there should be no change to the boundaries of the Wokingham Without ward as the electoral arithmetic so allowed. I also proposed the retention of Wokingham Without as the title of the ward. As the LGBCE's Draft Recommendations for the Electoral Review of Wokingham Borough Council proposes to leave the Wokingham Without ward and its title unchanged, I fully support these draft recommendations

Estimated 2028 Electorates. I had observed that I considered the 2028 estimate of electorate to be unrealistically low by about 4,000. But I note that your draft recommendations have accepted the lower estimate of 132,176. I still consider this estimate to be wrong although I recognise that a higher figure would likely require ward boundary changes for the Wokingham Without ward as the councillor quota for Wokingham Borough would increase. To emphasise the point of the inaccurate estimate, in the small Polling District FCB that forms part of the Wokingham Without ward, the Council estimated a 3% reduction in electorate from 806 to 773 in 2028 without any obvious justification. The electorate as at 1st December 2022 has increased from 806 to 824, an increase of just over 2% suggesting that the Council's 2028 estimate may be wildly inaccurate.

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13th February 2023

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