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Summary Report
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Have your say

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

Surrey County Council

Draft Recommendations on the new electoral arrangements

We aim to propose a pattern of divisions for Surrey County 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?
- **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

- You can explore the maps on our website at **lgbce.org.uk**
- We publish all submissions we receive on our website.

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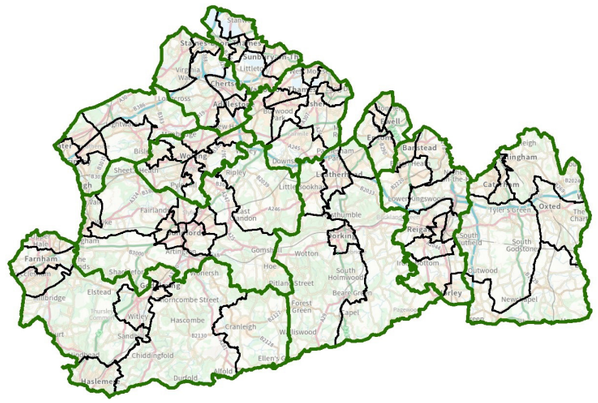

Who we are

- 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 divisions.
- The number of councillors for each division or division.

Why Surrey?

- The Commission has a legal duty to carry out an electoral review of each council in England 'from time to time'.
- Surrey County Council has not been reviewed since 2012 and the Commission has therefore decided that it should review Surrey in advance of the elections in 2025.

Our proposals

- We propose that the council should have **81 councillors** in future, representing 81 single councillor divisions.

You have until 16 October 2023 to have your say on the recommendations

Summary of our recommendations

Our draft recommendations propose that Surrey County Council should have 81 councillors, the same as the existing arrangements.

Those councillors should represent 81 single-councillor divisions.

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

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.

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

Have your say at
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- 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
28 February 2023 - 8 May 2023	Public consultation on division arrangments
8 August 2023 - 16 October 2023	Public consultation on draft recommendations
January 2024	Publication of final recommendations
May 2025	Subject to parliamentary approval - implementation of new arrangements at local elections

Overview of draft recommendations for Surrey County Council

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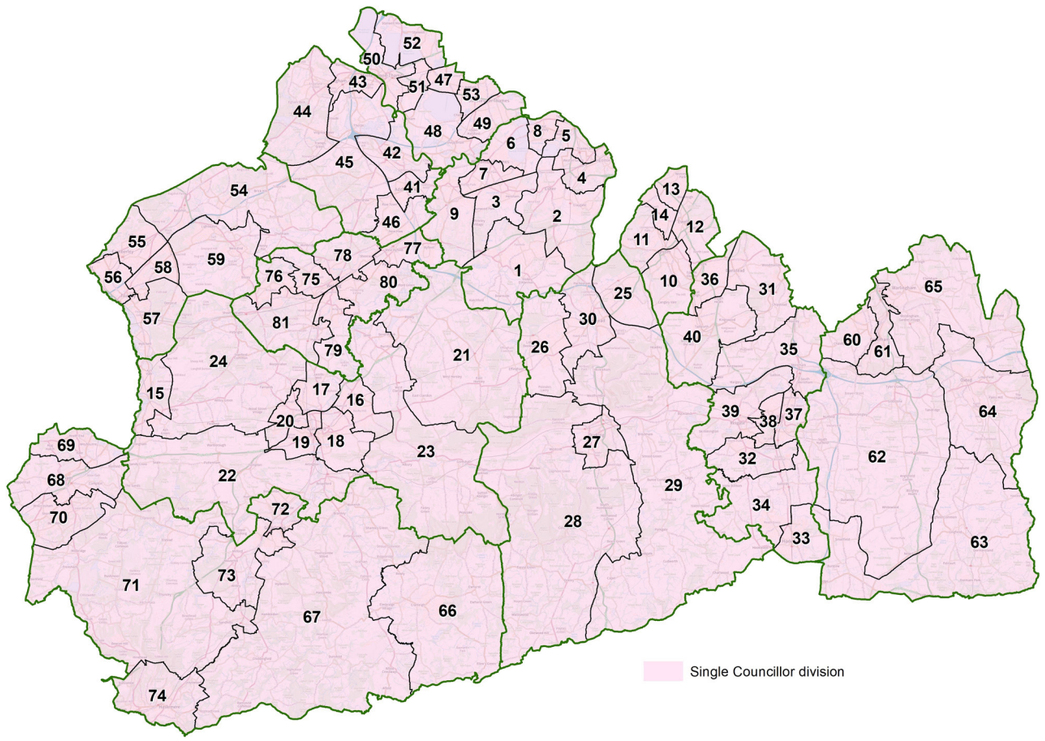

1	Cobham	42	Chertsey
2	Esher & Claygate	43	Egham
3	Hersham	44	Englefield Green & Virginia Water
4	Long Ditton & Hinchley Wood	45	Thorpe, Longcross & Ottershaw
5	Thames Ditton & East Molesey	46	Woodham & New Haw
6	Walton	47	Ashford
7	Walton South & Oatlands	48	Laleham & Shepperton
8	West Molesey	49	Lower Sunbury & Halliford
9	Weybridge	50	Staines
10	Epsom Town & Downs	51	Staines South & Ashford West
11	Epsom West	52	Stanwell & Stanwell Moor
12	Ewell	53	Sunbury Common & Ashford
13	Ewell Court, Auriol & Cuddington	54	Bagshot, Windlesham &
14	West Ewell	55	Camberley East
15	Ash	56	Camberley West
16	Guildford East	57	Frimley Green & Mytchett
17	Guildford North	58	Heatherside & Parkside
18	Guildford South East	59	Lightwater, West End & Bisley
19	Guildford South West	60	Caterham Hill
20	Guildford West	61	Caterham Valley
21	Horsleys	62	Godstone
22	Shalford	63	Lingfield
23	Shere	64	Oxted
24	Worplesdon	65	Warlingham
25	Ashtead	66	Cranleigh & Ewhurst
26	Bookham & Fetcham West	67	Eastern Villages
27	Dorking	68	Farnham Central
28	Dorking Hills	69	Farnham North
29	Dorking Rural	70	Farnham South
30	Leatherhead & Fetcham East	71	Frensham, Elstead & Hindhead
31	Banstead, Woodmansterne &	72	Godalming North
32	Earlswood & Reigate South	73	Godalming South, Milford &
33	Horley East	74	Haslemere
34	Horley West, Salfords & Sidlow	75	Goldsworth East & Horsell Village
35	Merstham & Banstead South	76	Knaphill & Goldsworth West
36	Nork & Tattenhams	77	The Byfleets
37	Redhill East & North Earlswood	78	Woking North
38	Redhill West & Meadvale	79	Woking South
39	Reigate	80	Woking South East
40	Tadworth, Walton & Kingswood	81	Woking South West
41	Addlestone		