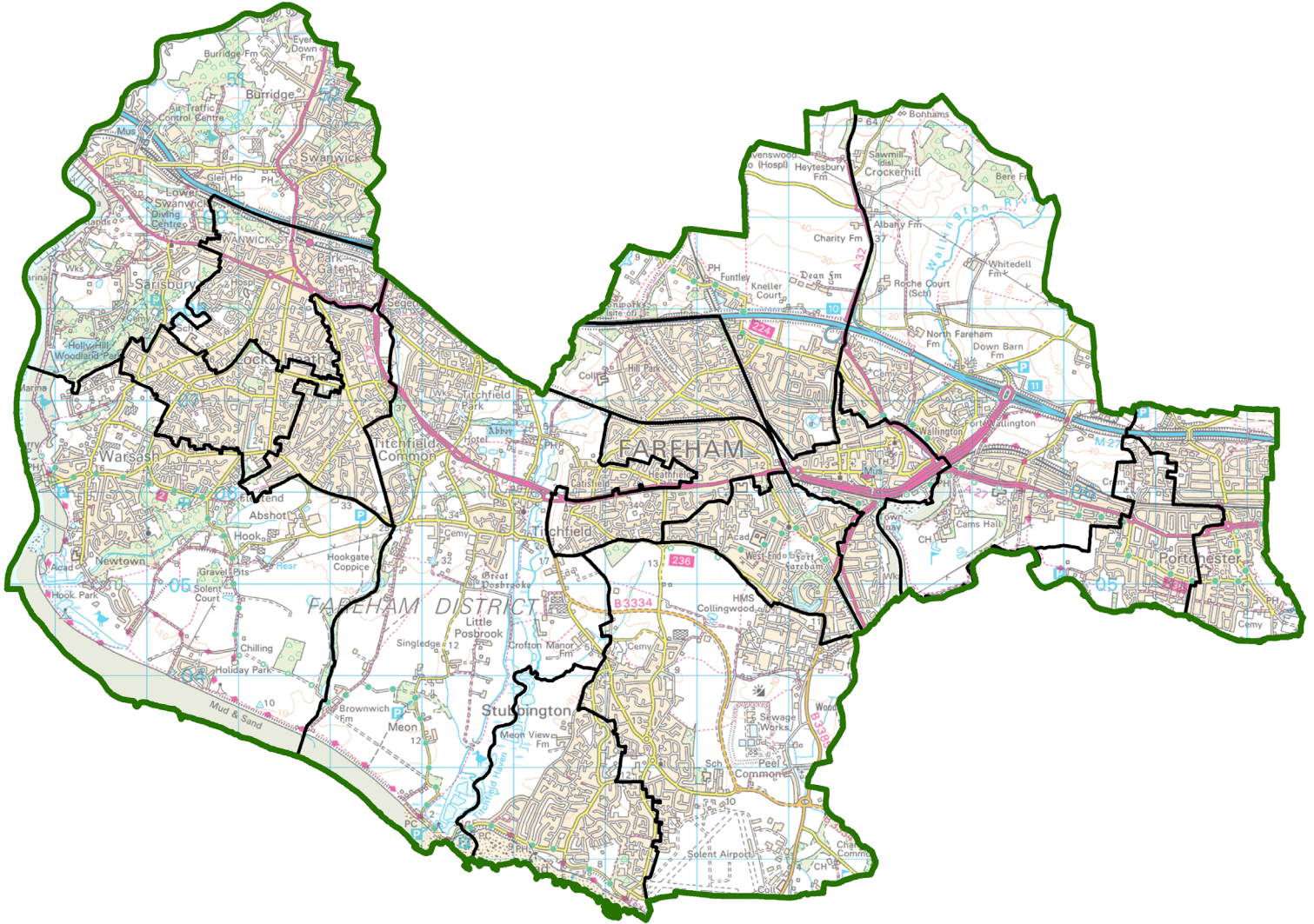


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Introduction

Who we are and what we do

1 The Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) is an independent body set up by Parliament.¹ 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.

2 The members of the Commission are:

- Professor Colin Mellors OBE (Chair)
- Andrew Scallan CBE (Deputy Chair)
- Susan Johnson OBE
- Amanda Nobbs OBE
- Steve Robinson
- Jolyon Jackson CBE (Chief Executive)

What is an electoral review?

3 An electoral review examines and proposes new electoral arrangements for a local authority. A local authority's electoral arrangements decide:

- How many councillors are needed.
- How many wards or electoral divisions there should be, where their boundaries are and what they should be called.
- How many councillors should represent each ward or division.

4 When carrying out an electoral review the Commission has three main considerations:

- Improving electoral equality by equalising the number of electors that each councillor represents.
- Ensuring that the recommendations reflect community identity.
- Providing arrangements that support effective and convenient local government.

5 Our task is to strike the best balance between these three considerations when making our recommendations.

¹ Under the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.

6 More detail regarding the powers that we have, as well as further guidance and information about electoral reviews and the review process in general, can be found on our website at www.lgbce.org.uk

Why Fareham?

7 We are conducting a review of Fareham Borough Council ('the Council') as the last review was completed in 2000, and we are required to review the electoral arrangements of every council in England 'from time to time'.² Additionally, some councillors currently represent many more or fewer electors than others. We describe this as 'electoral inequality'. Our aim is to create 'electoral equality', where the number of electors per councillor is as even as possible, ideally within 10% of being exactly equal.

8 This electoral review is being carried out to ensure that:

- The wards in Fareham are in the best possible places to help the Council carry out its responsibilities effectively.
- The number of electors represented by each councillor is approximately the same across the borough.

Our proposals for Fareham

9 Fareham should be represented by 32 councillors, one more than there are now.

10 Fareham should have 16 wards, one more than there are now.

11 The boundaries of all wards should change.

12 We have now finalised our recommendations for electoral arrangements for Fareham.

How will the recommendations affect you?

13 The recommendations will determine how many councillors will serve on the Council. They will also decide which ward you vote in and which other communities are in that ward. Your ward name may also change.

14 Our recommendations cannot affect the external boundaries of the borough or result in changes to postcodes. They do not take into account parliamentary constituency boundaries. The recommendations will not affect local taxes, house

² Local Democracy, Economic Development & Construction Act 2009 paragraph 56(1).

prices, or car and house insurance premiums and we are not able to take into account any representations which are based on these issues.

Review timetable

15 We wrote to the Council to ask its views on the appropriate number of councillors for Fareham. We then held two periods of consultation with the public on warding patterns for the borough. The submissions received during consultation have informed our final recommendations.

16 The review was conducted as follows:

Stage starts	Description
18 January 2022	The number of councillors decided
25 January 2022	Start of consultation seeking views on new wards
11 July 2022	End of the consultation; we began analysing submissions and forming draft recommendations
6 September 2022	Publication of draft recommendations; start of the second consultation
15 November 2022	End of the consultation; we began analysing submissions and forming final recommendations
7 February 2023	Publication of final recommendations

Analysis and final recommendations

17 Legislation³ states that our recommendations should not be based only on how many electors⁴ there are now, but also on how many there are likely to be in the five years after the publication of our final recommendations. We must also try to recommend strong, clearly identifiable boundaries for our wards.

18 In reality, we are unlikely to be able to create wards with exactly the same number of electors in each; we have to be flexible. However, we try to keep the number of electors represented by each councillor as close to the average for the council as possible.

19 We work out the average number of electors per councillor for each local authority by dividing the electorate by the number of councillors, as shown in the table below.

	2021	2028
Electorate of Fareham	89,046	97,790
Number of councillors	32	32
Average number of electors per councillor	2,783	3,056

20 When the number of electors per councillor in a ward is within 10% of the average for the authority, we refer to the ward as having 'good electoral equality'. All our proposed wards for Fareham are forecast to have good electoral equality by 2028.

Submissions received

21 See Appendix C for details of the submissions received. All submissions may be viewed on our website at www.lgbce.org.uk

Electorate figures

22 The Council submitted electorate forecasts for 2027, a period five years on from the scheduled publication of our final recommendations in 2022. These forecasts were broken down to polling district level and predicted an increase in the electorate of around 10%. This is due to significant residential development anticipated in the current Fareham North and Warsash wards.

23 During the consultation on our draft recommendations, we received a submission from a local resident who suggested that the increase in electors in our

³ Schedule 2 to the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.

⁴ Electors refers to the number of people registered to vote, not the whole adult population.

proposed Uplands & Funtley ward was too high. We consulted with the Council regarding this, which provided us with the assurance that the forecast electorate for this particular area is based upon sound evidence and assumptions. We consider the projected figures provided by the Council are the best available at present. We have used these figures to produce our final recommendations.

24 Due to a delay in this review, the publication year of our final recommendations has changed from 2022 to 2023. However, we are content that the original 2027 forecast is a reasonable estimate of the forecast number of electors likely to be present in the authority in 2028.

Number of councillors

25 Fareham Borough Council currently has 31 councillors. We have looked at evidence provided by the Council and have concluded that increasing this number by one will ensure the Council can carry out its roles and responsibilities effectively.

26 We therefore invited proposals for new patterns of wards that would be represented by 32 councillors. As the Council elects by halves (meaning that half its councillors are elected every two years), there is a presumption in legislation⁵ that the Council have a uniform pattern of two-councillor wards. We will only move away from this pattern of wards should we receive compelling evidence during consultation that an alternative pattern of wards will better reflect our statutory criteria.

27 We were not persuaded to adopt a local resident's suggestion made during the consultation on our draft recommendations to divide two-councillor wards into separate single-councillor wards, as no compelling community evidence was supplied to substantiate this proposal.

28 We received 12 submissions about the number of councillors in response to the consultation on warding patterns and a further three during the consultation on the draft recommendations. These all opposed the minor increase in councillors for the borough. However, we have not been persuaded that sufficiently detailed evidence has been received to justify moving away from a 32-councillor scheme. We remain mindful of the presumption in law that the Council should ideally have an even number of councillors to reflect its electoral cycle of halves. Therefore, we have decided to base our final recommendations for Fareham on a pattern of wards formed of 32 councillors.

⁵ Schedule 2 to the Local Democracy, Economic Development & Construction Act 2009 paragraph 2(3)(d) and paragraph 2(5)(c).

Ward boundaries consultation

29 We received 64 submissions in response to our consultation on ward boundaries. These included a borough-wide scheme from the Council. The remainder of the submissions provided localised comments for warding arrangements in particular areas of the borough.

30 The borough-wide scheme provided for a uniform pattern of two-councillor wards for Fareham. We carefully considered the proposals received and were of the view that the proposed patterns of wards resulted in good levels of electoral equality in most areas of the authority and generally used identifiable boundaries.

31 Our draft recommendations were therefore based predominantly on the Council's proposals. We did nonetheless also take into account local evidence that we received, which provided further evidence of community links and locally recognised boundaries. In some areas, we considered that the proposals did not provide the best balance between our statutory criteria, so we identified alternative boundaries.

32 We visited the area to look at the various proposals on the ground. This tour of Fareham helped us to decide between the different boundaries proposed.

Draft recommendations consultation

33 We received 111 submissions during consultation on our draft recommendations. These included a borough-wide response from the Council, the Fareham Labour Party, two submissions from a borough councillor, the Catisfield Village Association and 106 local residents.

Final recommendations

34 Our final recommendations are for 16 two-councillor wards. We consider that our final recommendations will provide for good electoral equality while reflecting community identities and interests where we received such evidence during consultation.

35 Our final recommendations are based on the draft recommendations with modifications to the wards in Fareham, Portchester and Locks Heath, based on the submissions received.

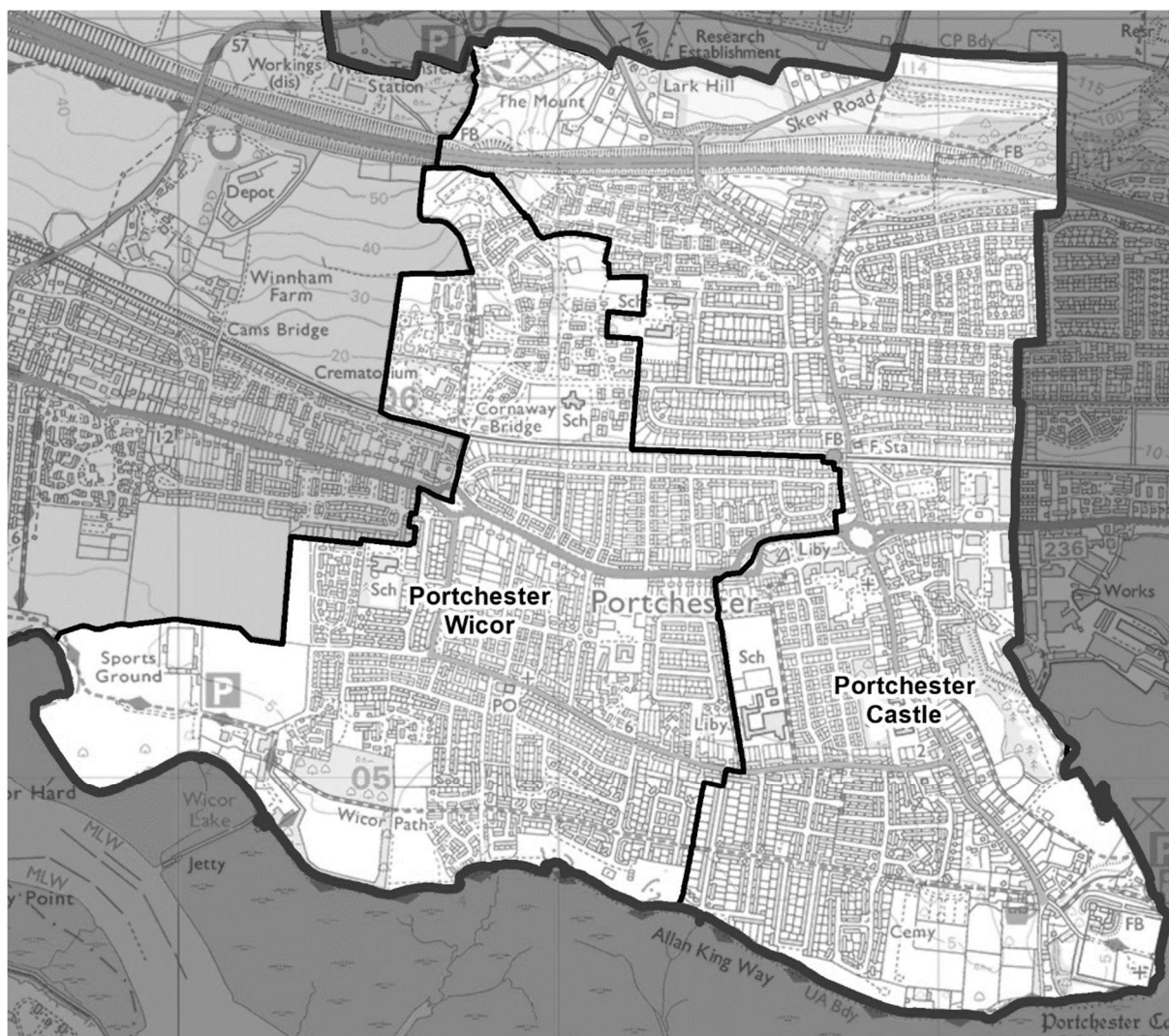
36 The tables and maps on pages 9–19 detail our final recommendations for each area of Fareham. They detail how the proposed warding arrangements reflect the three statutory⁶ criteria:

⁶ Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.

- Equality of representation.
- Reflecting community interests and identities.
- Providing for effective and convenient local government.

37 A summary of our proposed new wards is set out in the table starting on page 27 and the large map accompanying this report.

Portchester



Ward name	Number of councillors	Variance 2028
Portchester Castle	2	6%
Portchester Wicor	2	-9%

Portchester Castle and Portchester Wicor

38 We received 23 submissions related to the Portchester area that either disagreed with our proposed ward names or the ward boundaries proposed. The Fareham Labour Party and seven local residents opposed the boundaries proposed, providing good community-based evidence that Portchester should be divided on a north and south basis, as opposed to the east and west arrangement proposed as part of our draft recommendations. It was broadly suggested that either the railway line or the A27 form the boundary between the two wards for the Portchester area.

39 However, dividing Portchester on a north and south basis using either the railway line or the A27 results in electoral inequality. Indeed, a two-councillor ward

for the north of Portchester, bounded by the A27 from the borough boundary up to the Seagull Roundabout, and northwards towards the borough boundary, is forecast an electoral variance of -14%, which we consider too high to accept. Following the railway line, instead of the A27, would result in an even higher electoral variance. The Fareham Labour Party suggested including electors on Romsey Avenue, Hatherley Crescent and adjacent roads in their proposed ward for the north of Portchester, which would produce a ward with electoral equality. However, we decided not to adopt this proposal, as we consider that this area will fit more appropriately in our final Wallington & Downend ward, as outlined in paragraph 56. Therefore, after careful consideration, we have decided to retain the east and west arrangement proposed in our draft recommendations as part of our final recommendations.

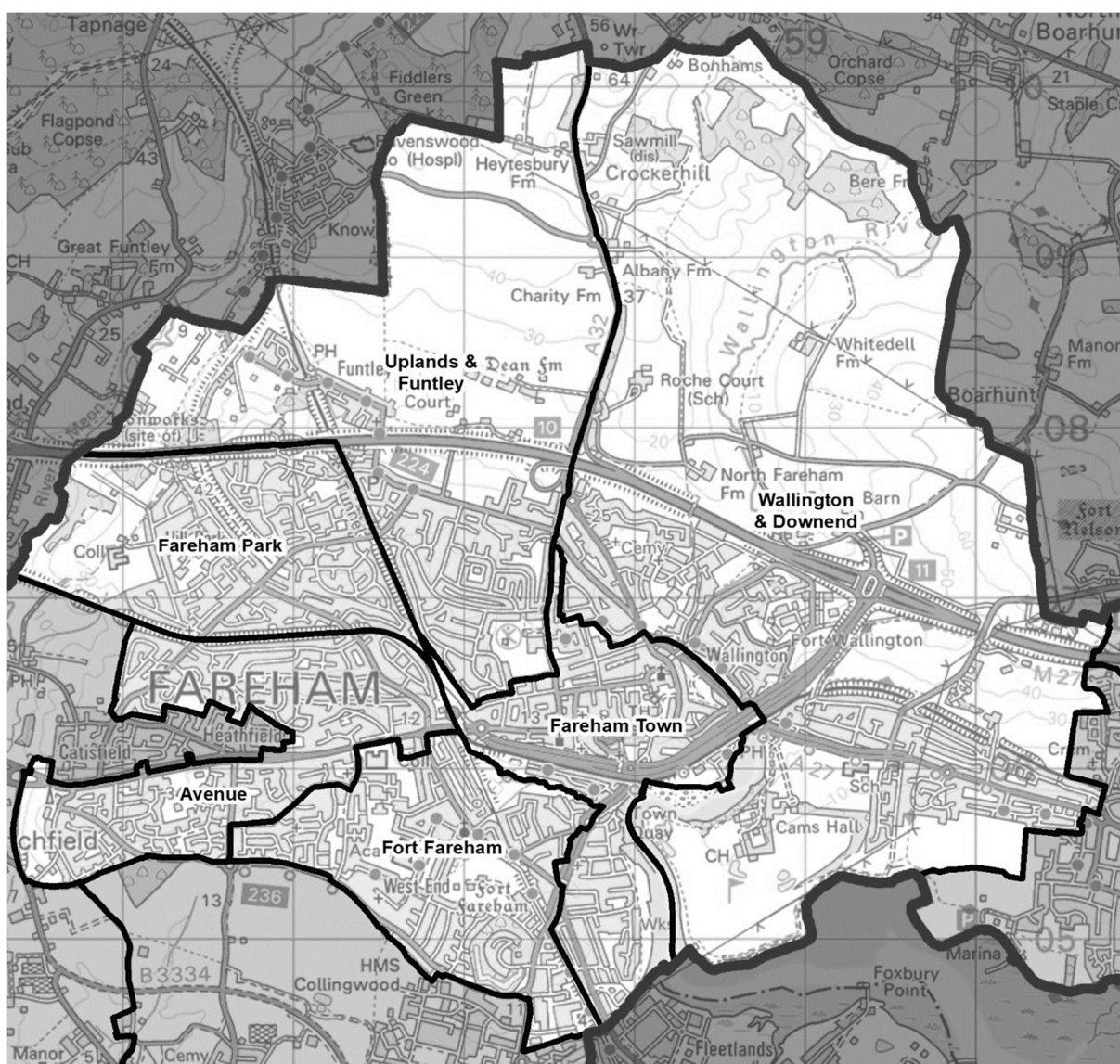
40 We also received several submissions which opposed the names of our Portchester wards. Several respondents opposed the loss of Portchester in the ward name for Portsdown & Castle ward. Some preferred the retention of the cardinal direction of East and West for both wards, with Councillor Bainbridge and a local resident suggesting that we rename the wards to Portchester West & Wicor and Portchester East & Castle. Other suggestions included Portchester Portsdown or Portsdown & Portchester Castle as a replacement ward name for our Portsdown & Castle ward.

41 We note that there does not appear to be a universally supported name for either ward. However, we ultimately decided to retain the Portchester Wicor name, but we rename our proposed Portsdown & Castle ward as Portchester Castle, as suggested by a local resident. We consider these names to be succinct, indicate the fact the wards represent parts of Portchester village, yet effectively reflect the predominant communities in each ward.

42 We have adopted a local resident's suggestion to include 54 to 60a Linden Lea in our Portchester Castle ward. We agree that this minor modification will result in a more identifiable boundary.

43 One local resident suggested combining the two Portchester wards into one. However, this would not be possible under a uniform pattern of two-councillor wards if we are to ensure electoral equality. We were also not persuaded enough compelling evidence had been received for us to move away from a uniform pattern of two two-councillor wards for the Portchester area.

Fareham



Ward name	Number of councillors	Variance 2028
Avenue	2	8%
Fareham Park	2	-1%
Fareham Town	2	-10%
Fort Fareham	2	1%
Uplands & Funtley	2	-7%
Wallington & Downend	2	-8%

Avenue

44 Although we received a well-evidenced submission from a local resident in support of the boundaries proposed, the Council, the Catisfield Village Association and 18 local residents all opposed our draft recommendations for Avenue ward. These submissions objected to our proposal to divide the Catisfield area between

wards, providing strong evidence that this proposed warding arrangement would be detrimental to local community identity.

45 The Council resubmitted their proposal made during the previous consultation, which placed Catisfield Road and its adjacent roads into their proposed Meon ward. We consider that this proposal addresses the objections to our draft recommendations and will effectively reflect local communities. We have therefore adopted this proposal as part of our final recommendations.

46 As a result of this change, we are recommending that electors residing north of Longmynd Drive be included from our draft Fort Fareham ward and electors residing in the Hollam Drive and Rowan Way area be included in our final Avenue ward from the draft Meon ward. This will ensure good electoral equality across wards and is broadly similar to the Council's proposals submitted during our first consultation on warding arrangements. It also reflects the concerns of two local residents who expressed a preference for the area around Hollam Drive and Rowan Way to be included in Avenue ward. We are content that our final boundary proposals here will effectively reflect our statutory criteria.

47 We also received some opposition to the name of the ward. Suggestions included the retention of Fareham West, or Highlands and Blackbrook. However, we consider there to be a lack of broad support during consultation for these names, so we have therefore not adopted them as part of our final recommendations.

Fareham Park

48 We received four submissions relating to our proposed Fareham Park ward. Two local residents opposed the name of the ward. It was suggested that Fareham Highlands or naming the ward after the disused railway line would be more appropriate. We decided not to adopt an alternative ward name as we were not persuaded that sufficient community evidence had been supplied to support a change.

49 Two local residents also supported our decision to place the area around Red Barn Lane in Fareham Park ward. We have therefore kept this area in our final Fareham Park ward.

Fareham Town

50 The Council proposed significant changes to our proposed Fareham Town ward. They opposed the northern boundary following Osborn Road, stating electors immediately north of the road associate themselves with the town centre and not with Wallington and Downend. The Council argued against our decision to not follow Wickham Road as the boundary, stating that it represented a strong and identifiable boundary, as a major arterial road. Similarly, a local resident also stated that the

area between Old Turnpike and Park Lane shares closer links with the Fareham town centre.

51 While we note the evidence provided, we could not place the entirety of the area bounded by Park Lane, Wickham Road and Osborn Road within Fareham Town ward and ensure good electoral equality for Wallington & Downend ward. We have therefore adopted the Council's proposal to place the boundary west of Serpentine Road to ensure we can achieve electoral equality for Fareham Town and Wallington & Downend wards. We consider this modification to be the most appropriate for us to achieve a balanced reflection of our statutory criteria.

52 Although the Council and a local resident both supported our decision to include the High Street and East Street area in our Fareham Town ward, the Council and two other local residents opposed the decision to also include Deane's Park Road in the ward. They argued that this area shares closer links with the communities in our proposed Wallington & Downend ward. While we note the evidence provided, including this area would result in our Fareham Town ward being underrepresented by 2028, with an electoral variance of -12%. We have therefore not adopted this modification as part of our final recommendations.

Fort Fareham

53 The Council opposed our decision to place the eastern boundary of our Fort Fareham ward along Henry Cort Way, stating electors between the cycleway and Gosport Road – along Mill Road and its adjacent roads – share closer community and road access links with the communities that lie west of Henry Cort Way, via Redlands Lane. We have been persuaded that this modification will better reflect our statutory criteria and have adopted it as part of our final recommendations. Furthermore, given our decision to transfer electors residing north of Longmynd Drive from the ward into our Avenue ward, this change will also ensure good electoral equality for Fort Fareham ward.

54 A local resident opposed the name of the ward, but did not offer an alternative, only stating that it should be instead named after a 'central, prominent feature'. With limited community-based evidence and no other name suggested, we were not persuaded to change the name of this ward. We therefore confirm the ward name of Fort Fareham as final.

Uplands & Funtley

55 We received no submissions that related directly to the boundaries and name of this ward. We have therefore decided to confirm our draft recommendations for Uplands & Funtley ward as final.

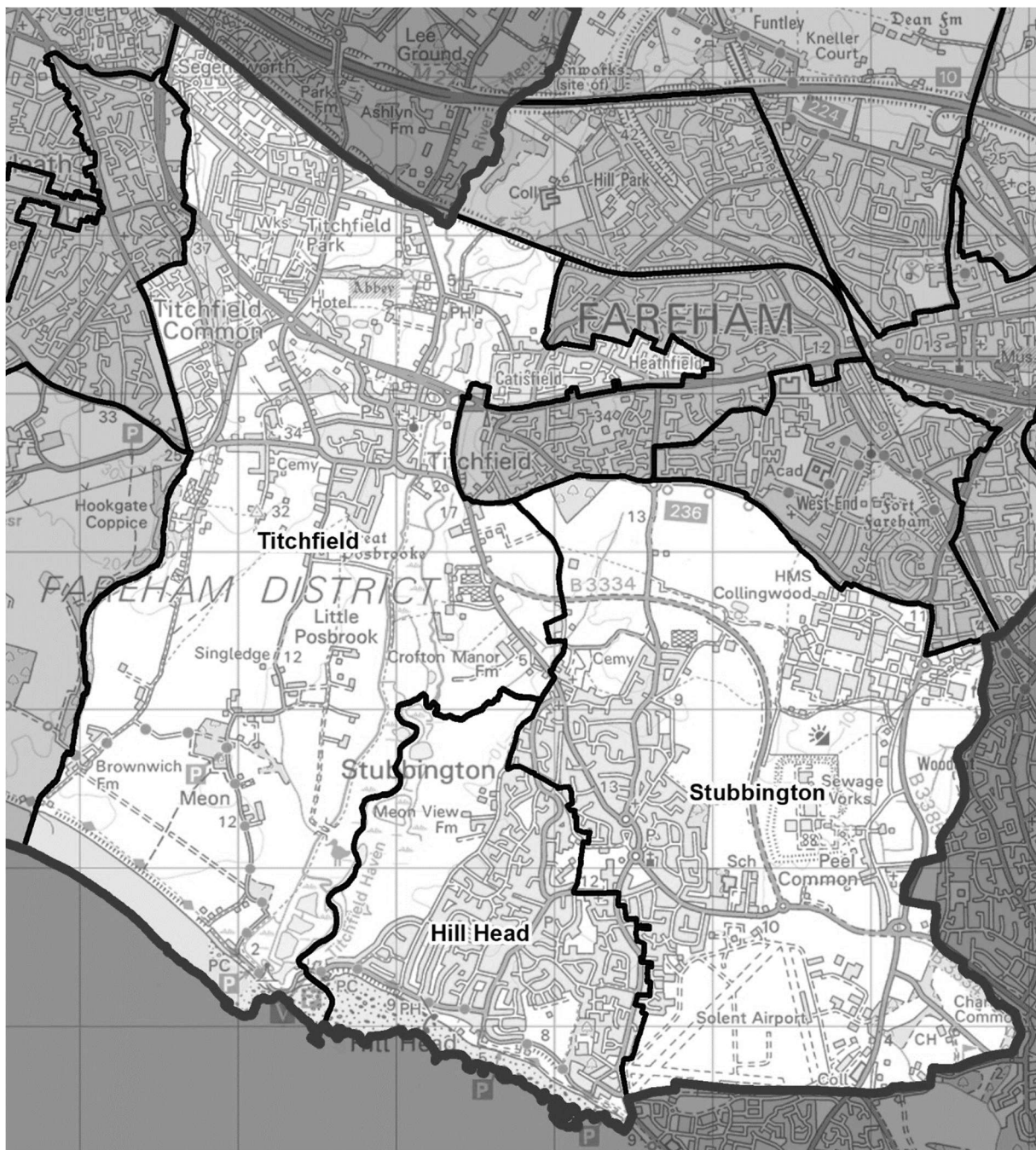
Wallington & Downend

56 Although we received two submissions from local residents in support of our draft Wallington & Downend ward, we are proposing some modifications to better reflect our statutory criteria. As per paragraph 51, we have transferred electors west of Serpentine Road, east of Park Lane and north of Osborn Road from Wallington & Downend ward, as we were persuaded by evidence from the Council that electors in this area share closer links with Fareham town centre than with the Wallington and Downend communities. In addition to this modification, we are also including electors residing on Ashtead Close, Beaulieu Avenue, most of Hatherley Crescent, Mellow Close, Portchester Road, Quintrel Avenue, Romsey Avenue, Rudgwick Close and Stoneleigh Close in our final Wallington & Downend ward. Although a local resident requested that this area stay warded in Portchester Wicor ward, we note the evidence provided by the Council that this area is somewhat distinct from the remainder of our Portchester Wicor ward. We consider this modification the most appropriate to ensure that our Wallington & Downend ward will have good electoral equality by 2028.

57 A local resident deemed that our Wallington & Downend ward was too vast to be served by two councillors effectively, asserting that the two areas are distinct with little in common, split by the A27. However, we consider it preferable to combine distinct communities in the same ward, rather than dividing them between wards, to ensure good electoral equality.

58 Another local resident requested that Rockingham Way be transferred from our Wallington & Downend ward to Portchester Wicor ward. We could not adopt this proposal as it would result in electoral inequality for our Wallington & Downend ward.

Hill Head, Stubbington & Titchfield



Ward name	Number of councillors	Variance 2028
Hill Head	2	2%
Stubbington	2	-7%
Titchfield	2	-5%

Hill Head

59 One local resident requested that Hill Head ward incorporate the seafront up to and including the small bridge across the River Meon so that issues relating to the

seafront could be handled by a single set of councillors. Our draft recommendations used the bridge as the boundary, placing the seafront immediately below the Hill Head area in a single ward.

60 We received no further submissions relating to Hill Head ward. We therefore confirm our draft recommendations for this ward as final.

Stubbington

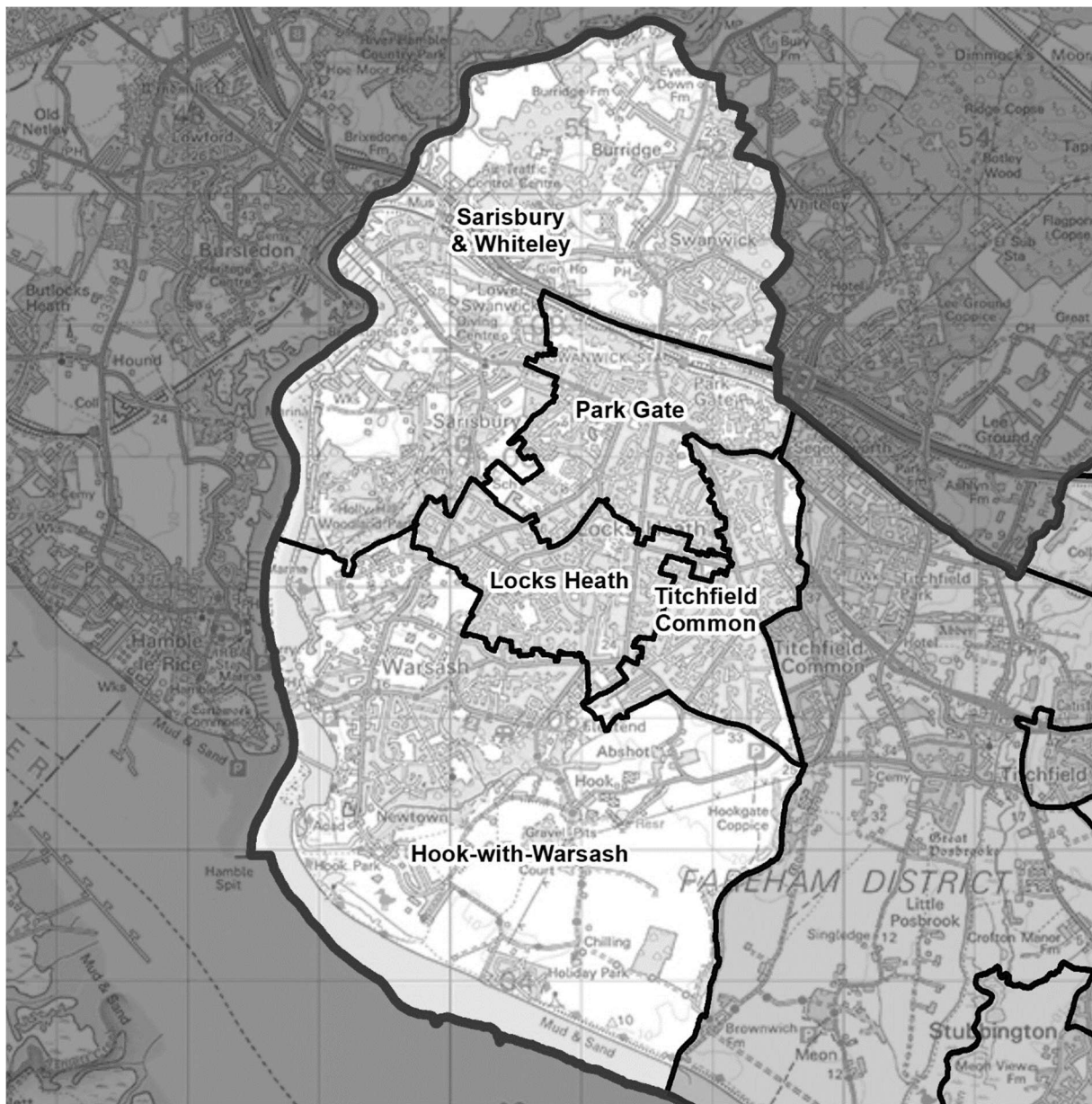
61 As a consequence of the changes made to our draft Avenue ward, we have amended the northern boundary of Stubbington ward to create a more identifiable boundary. We received no further submissions relating to Stubbington ward. Therefore, except for the relatively minor boundary amendment, we confirm our draft recommendations for this ward as final.

Titchfield

62 We received three submissions that opposed the renaming of the current Titchfield ward to Meon. These submissions expressed a preference for the retention of the current name, given Titchfield village is the most distinctive and recognisable aspect of the ward. We are persuaded by the evidence received and have decided to rename this ward as part of our final recommendations.

63 Furthermore, as outlined in paragraphs 44 to 45, we have made substantial changes to our draft Avenue ward. As a consequence, the Catisfield area is now included in our final Titchfield ward.

Hook-with-Warsash, Locks Heath, Park Gate, Sarisbury & Whiteley and Titchfield Common



Ward name	Number of councillors	Variance 2028
Hook-with-Warsash	2	8%
Locks Heath	2	10%
Park Gate	2	5%
Sarisbury & Whiteley	2	3%
Titchfield Common	2	4%

Hook-with-Warsash

64 We received four submissions that related to Hook-with-Warsash ward, with one local resident expressing support for our recommendations. However, three

submissions disagreed with the name of the ward. Two local residents stated ‘&’ would be more appropriate than ‘-with-’, with one of the two local residents stating that using the former conjunction would follow naming conventions elsewhere across the borough. Another local resident stated that Warsash-with-Hook would be a more suitable name if Hook was to be included in the ward name.

65 We carefully considered the alternative ward names proposed. However, we decided to retain the name Hook-with-Warsash. We note that this name is used by the local school (Hook-with-Warsash Church of England Academy) and the local nature reserve and therefore has local recognition. We were not persuaded that sufficient evidence had been provided that the alternative ward names submitted would better reflect the area and communities within the ward.

Locks Heath

66 Although we received three submissions in support of our proposed Locks Heath ward, the Council and 17 local residents opposed our decision to split Church Road between our Park Gate and Titchfield Common wards. They stated that the road, which includes St John’s Locks Heath Church, forms part of the Locks Heath area. It was argued that removing the road from a Locks Heath ward would be detrimental to their community identity. We were persuaded by the evidence received and adopted the boundary proposed by the Council to place the entirety of Church Road in Locks Heath ward.

67 We could not adopt a proposal suggested by a local resident to also include Woodpecker Copse, Kingfisher Copse and Nightingale Mews in Locks Heath ward as this would result in an electoral variance of 11%, which we consider too high to accept.

68 Apart from the modification summarised in paragraph 66 and the change outlined in paragraph 70, we propose no further changes to our draft Locks Heath ward and confirm the remainder of the ward as final.

Park Gate

69 Five submissions were received in relation to Park Gate ward. Three local residents supported the ward, broadly stating that its boundaries proposed were logical and sensible.

70 The Council and a local resident requested that both sides of Heath Road North be included in a single ward. Our draft proposals split the road between Park Gate ward and Locks Heath ward. We are content that the Council’s proposal to place both sides of the road into Park Gate ward will contribute to effective and convenient local government and have adopted this minor boundary amendment as part of our final recommendations.

71 One local resident opposed the inclusion of their address in Park Gate ward, also stating that our proposed ward incorporated vast amounts of the Sarisbury and Locks Heath areas. However, in this case, we were not persuaded that sufficient community evidence had been provided to substantially modify our recommendations here.

Sarisbury & Whiteley

72 We received one submission regarding Sarisbury & Whiteley ward, which asked for the entirety of the Whiteley community, which straddles the boundary between Fareham and Winchester, to be wholly contained within either authority. This, however, falls outside the scope of the current electoral review.

Titchfield Common

73 We received four submissions in relation to Titchfield Common ward. A local resident stated that the proposed ward extended into the Locks Heath area and another local resident opposed the current western boundary moving westwards. However, with no alternative warding arrangements proposed and insufficient community evidence provided, we were not persuaded to make significant changes to this ward.

74 Another local resident requested that Victoria Close, Sovereign Crescent (and the anticipated residential development adjacent) be included in Hook-with-Warsash ward as opposed to Titchfield Common ward, as per our draft recommendations. We were not persuaded to adopt this suggestion as these roads only have internal road access into our Titchfield Common ward.

75 The Council opposed our decision to include electors at the southern tip of Hunts Pond Road in Meon ward in order to follow the existing county division boundary. The Council stated that they were 'wholly opposed to this concept because the borough ward boundaries should be drawn to create the best solution for the borough authority'. We were persuaded by the evidence received that this would contribute to effective and convenient local government for the Council and have placed electors in this area in our Titchfield Common ward as part of our final recommendations.

Conclusions

76 The table below provides a summary of the impact of our final recommendations on electoral equality in Fareham, referencing the 2022 and 2028 electorate figures against the proposed number of councillors and wards. A full list of wards, names and their corresponding electoral variances can be found in Appendix A at the back of this report. An outline map of the wards is provided in Appendix B.

Summary of electoral arrangements

	Final recommendations	
	2021	2028
Number of councillors	32	32
Number of electoral wards	16	16
Average number of electors per councillor	2,783	3,056
Number of wards with a variance of more than 10% from the average	3	0
Number of wards with a variance of more than 20% from the average	1	0

Final recommendations

Fareham Borough Council should be made up of 32 councillors serving 16 two-councillor wards. The details and names are shown in Appendix A and illustrated on the large maps accompanying this report.

Mapping

Sheet 1, Map 1 shows the proposed wards for Fareham Borough Council. You can also view our final recommendations for Fareham Borough Council on our interactive maps at www.consultation.lgbce.org.uk

What happens next?

77 We have now completed our review of Fareham Borough Council. The recommendations must now be approved by Parliament. A draft Order – the legal document which brings into force our recommendations – will be laid in Parliament. Subject to parliamentary scrutiny, the new electoral arrangements will come into force at the local elections in 2024.

Equalities

78 The Commission has looked at how it carries out reviews under the guidelines set out in Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. It has made its best endeavours to ensure that people with protected characteristics can participate in the review process and is sufficiently satisfied that no adverse equality impacts will arise as a result of the outcome of the review.

Appendices

Appendix A

Final recommendations for Fareham Borough Council

	Ward name	Number of councillors	Electorate (2021)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %	Electorate (2028)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %
1	Avenue	2	6,218	3,109	12%	6,594	3,297	8%
2	Fareham Park	2	5,800	2,900	4%	6,063	3,032	-1%
3	Fareham Town	2	5,098	2,549	-8%	5,508	2,754	-10%
4	Fort Fareham	2	5,843	2,922	5%	6,192	3,096	1%
5	Hill Head	2	5,868	2,934	5%	6,229	3,115	2%
6	Hook-with-Warsash	2	4,989	2,495	-10%	6,602	3,301	8%
7	Locks Heath	2	6,185	3,093	11%	6,702	3,351	10%
8	Park Gate	2	5,988	2,994	8%	6,425	3,213	5%
9	Portchester Castle	2	6,103	3,052	10%	6,462	3,231	6%
10	Portchester Wicor	2	5,173	2,587	-7%	5,581	2,791	-9%
11	Sarisbury & Whiteley	2	5,997	2,999	8%	6,323	3,162	3%
12	Stubbington	2	5,340	2,670	-4%	5,667	2,834	-7%

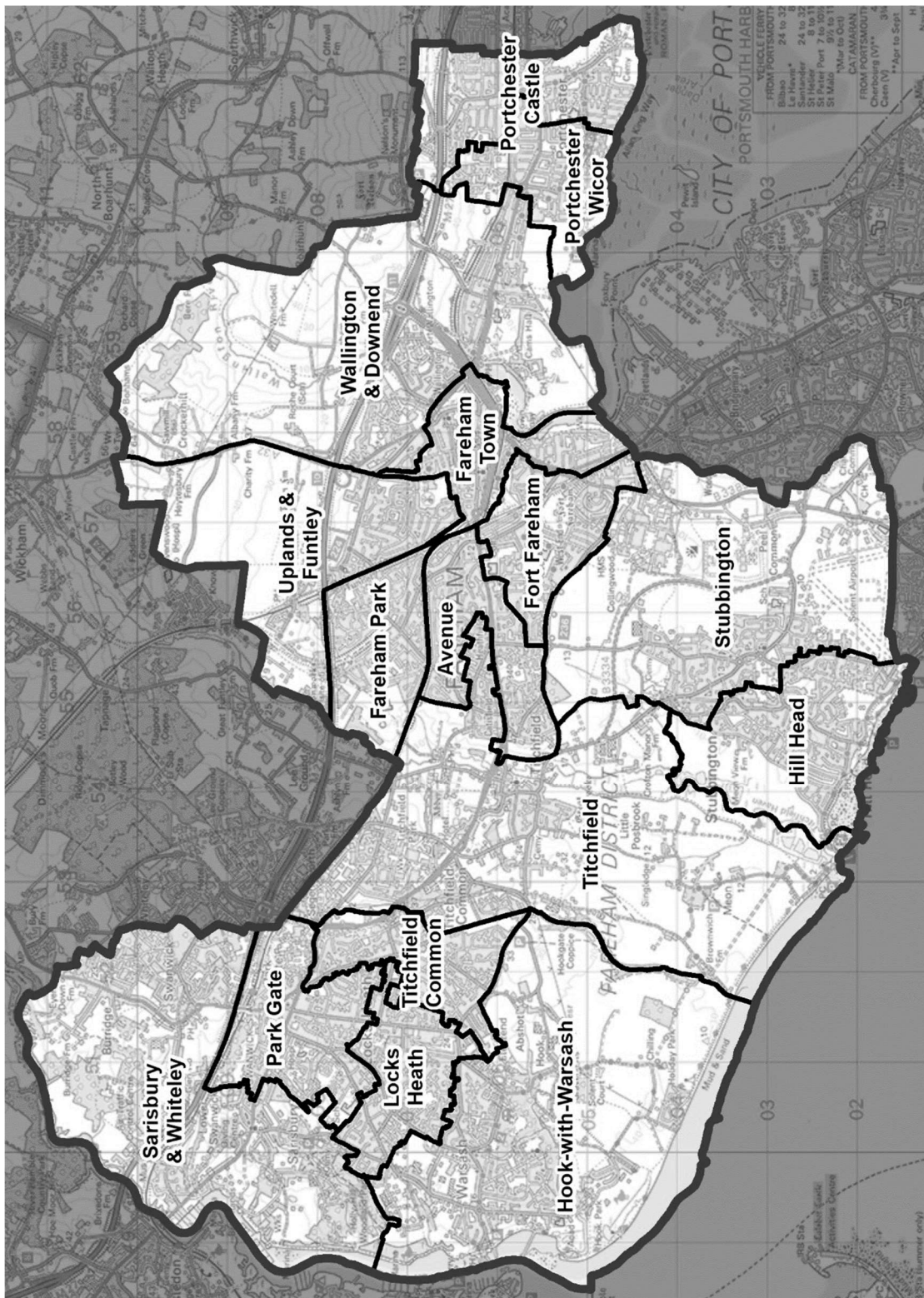
Ward name	Number of councillors	Electorate (2021)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %	Electorate (2028)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %
13 Titchfield	2	5,475	2,738	-2%	5,800	2,900	-5%
14 Titchfield Common	2	5,934	2,967	7%	6,341	3,171	4%
15 Uplands & Funtley	2	3,668	1,834	-34%	5,657	2,829	-7%
16 Wallington & Downend	2	5,367	2,684	-4%	5,644	2,822	-8%
Totals	32	89,046	–	–	97,790	–	–
Averages	–	–	2,783	–	–	3,056	–

Source: Electorate figures are based on information provided by Fareham Borough Council.

Note: The 'variance from average' column shows by how far, in percentage terms, the number of electors per councillor in each electoral ward varies from the average for the borough. The minus symbol (-) denotes a lower than average number of electors. Figures have been rounded to the nearest whole number.

Appendix B

Outline map



A more detailed version of this map can be seen on the large map accompanying this report, or on our website: www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/south-east/hampshire/fareham

Appendix C

Submissions received

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Local Authority

- Fareham Borough Council

Political Groups

- Fareham Labour Party

Councillors

- Councillor C. Bainbridge (Fareham Borough Council) x2

Local Organisations

- Catisfield Village Association

Local Residents

- 106 local residents

Appendix D

Glossary and abbreviations

Council size	The number of councillors elected to serve on a council
Electoral Change Order (or Order)	A legal document which implements changes to the electoral arrangements of a local authority
Division	A specific area of a county, defined for electoral, administrative and representational purposes. Eligible electors can vote in whichever division they are registered for the candidate or candidates they wish to represent them on the county council
Electoral inequality	Where there is a difference between the number of electors represented by a councillor and the average for the local authority.
Electorate	People in the authority who are registered to vote in elections. We only take account of electors registered specifically for local elections during our reviews.
Number of electors per councillor	The total number of electors in a local authority divided by the number of councillors
Over-represented	Where there are fewer electors per councillor in a ward or division than the average
Parish	A specific and defined area of land within a single local authority enclosed within a parish boundary. There are over 10,000 parishes in England, which provide the first tier of representation to their local residents

Parish council	A body elected by electors in the parish which serves and represents the area defined by the parish boundaries. See also 'Town council'
Parish (or town) council electoral arrangements	The total number of councillors on any one parish or town council; the number, names and boundaries of parish wards; and the number of councillors for each ward
Parish ward	A particular area of a parish, defined for electoral, administrative and representational purposes. Eligible electors can vote in whichever parish ward they live for candidate or candidates they wish to represent them on the parish council
Town council	A parish council which has been given ceremonial 'town' status. More information on achieving such status can be found at www.nalc.gov.uk
Under-represented	Where there are more electors per councillor in a ward or division than the average
Variance (or electoral variance)	How far the number of electors per councillor in a ward or division varies in percentage terms from the average
Ward	A specific area of a district or borough, defined for electoral, administrative and representational purposes. Eligible electors can vote in whichever ward they are registered for the candidate or candidates they wish to represent them on the district or borough council

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