The Local Government Boundary Commission for England

August 2022

Summary Report

The full report and detailed maps: www.consultation.lgbce.org.uk www.lgbce.org.uk

Our Recommendations

The table lists all the wards we are proposing as part of our final recommendations along with the number of electors in each ward. The table also shows the electoral variances for each of the proposed wards which tells you how we have delivered electoral equality. Finally, the table includes electorate projections for 2027 so you can see the impact of the recommendations for the future.

	Ward Name	Number of councillors	Number of electors per councillor (2027)	Variance from average (%)		Ward Name	Number of councillors	Number of electors per councillor (2027)	Variance from average (%)
1	Aston, Datchworth & Walkern	2	2,393	-9%	14	Hertford Kingsmead	3	2,572	-3%
2	Bishop's Stortford All Saints	2	2,621	-1%	15	Hertford Rural	1	2,813	7%
3	Bishop's Stortford Central	2	2,911	10%	16	Hertford Sele	2	2,573	-3%
4	Bishop's Stortford North	3	2,867	9%	17	Hunsdon	1	2,756	4%
5	Bishop's Stortford Parsonage	2	2,576	-2%	18	Little Hadham & The Pelhams	1	2,704	2%
6	Bishop's Stortford South	2	2,647	0%	19	Much Hadham	1	2,400	-9%
7	Bishop's Stortford Thorley Manor	3	2,644	0%	20	Sawbridgeworth	3	2,774	5%
8	Braughing & Standon	2	2,515	-5%	21	The Mundens	1	2,403	-9%
9	Buntingford	3	2,762	5%	22	Ware Priory	2	2,916	10%
10	Great Amwell & Stansteads	2	2,433	-8%	23	Ware Rural	1	2,375	-10%
11	Hertford Bengeo	3	2,405	-9%	24	Ware St Mary's	2	2,665	1%
12	Hertford Castle	2	2,498	-5%	25	Ware Trinity	2	2,793	6%
13	Hertford Heath & Brickendon	1	2,512	-5%	26	Watton-at-Stone	1	2,888	9%
	Averages	-	2,640	-			-	2,640	-

East Herts District Council

Final Recommendations on the new electoral arrangements



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 East Hertfordshire?

- The Commission has a legal duty to carry out an electoral review of each council in England 'from time to time'.
- East Herts District Council has not been reviewed since 1998 and the Commission has therefore decided that it should review East Herts District Council in advance of the elections in 2023.

Our proposals

- East Herts District Council currently has 50 councillors. Based on the evidence we received, we recommend that 50 councillors should serve the council in the future.
- We believe our final recommendations meet our statutory criteria to:
 - 1. Deliver electoral equality for electors
 - 2. Reflect community interests and identities
 - 3. Promote effective and convenient local government

Summary of our recommendations

We have considered all of the submissions we received during our consultation on our draft recommendations.

The final recommendations propose that East Hertfordshire District Council should have 50 councillors, the same as present.

Those councillors should represent 26 wards, representing six three-councillor wards, 12 two-councillor wards and eight single-councillor wards.

The boundaries of most wards should change; three will stay the same.

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.

Find out more at consultation.lgbce.org.uk:

- view the map of our recommendations down to street level.
- zoom into the areas that interest you most.
- read the full report of our recommendations.
- find more guidance on the review process

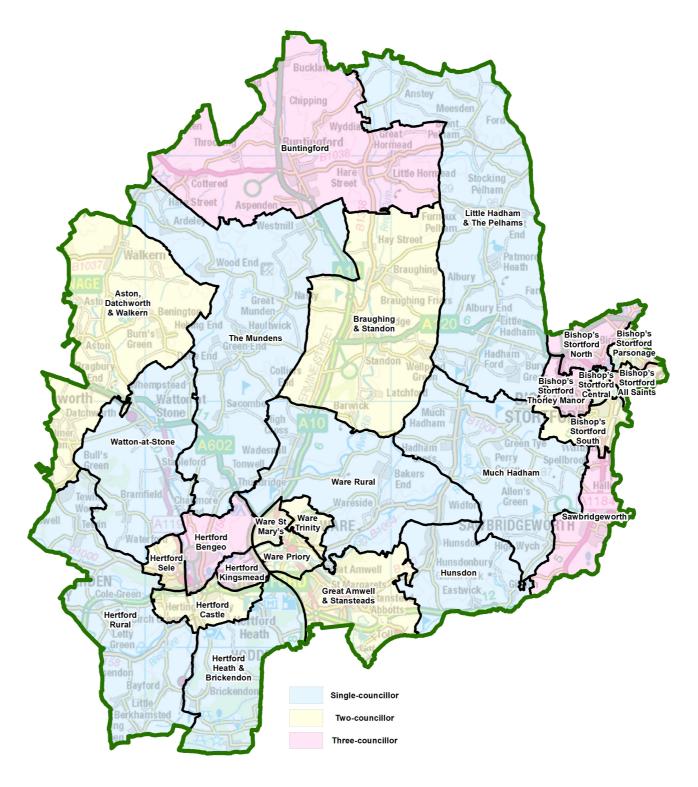
Stage of Review	Description
28 September 2021 -	Public consultation on warding
6 December 2021	arrangments
1 March 2022 -	Public consultation on draft
9 May 2022	recommendations
2 August 2022	Publication of final
	recommendations
	Subject to parliamentary
May 2023	approval - implementation of
	new arrangements at local
	elections

Overview of final recommendations for East Herts District Council

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