

## **City of Wolverhampton Council – Conservative Group LGBCE Wolverhampton Review Submission**

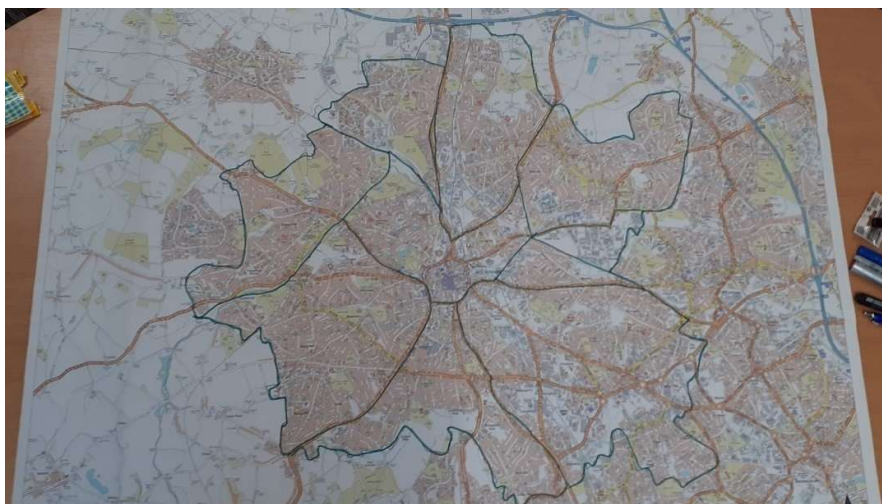
In compiling our submission, the Conservative Group has sought to balance the three elements of the LGBCE statutory criteria, electoral equality, community identities and interest, and effective and convenient local government.

Creating our submission during the Covid-19 lock-down has proved challenging but we have endeavoured to overcome this. In compiling our submission we have utilised a number of sources ranging from ONS data, maps to first-hand knowledge. We firmly believe that the below proposals provide a strong ward patterning within the constraint of a twenty-ward pattern due to Wolverhampton's now outdated policy of electing by thirds.

In bringing together our proposal we first undertook a mapping exercise of the communities of Wolverhampton. We did not allow ourselves any constraints in doing this and allowed our groupings to be as large or as small as we saw fit. Below is a picture of this exercise.



Having undertaken this initial mapping exercise we then proceeded to begin grouping these base communities into larger settings e.g. Tettenhall or Wednesfield. One of the key drivers of this were geographical boundaries such as major roads or railway lines. The below map shows these higher-level groupings.



In addition to the above mapping exercises we also undertook a mapping exercise noting down the key community facilities including, schools, GP surgeries, pharmacies, community centres and libraries; as these are often indicative of people's sense of place (though of course some residents may chose to use other doctors or send their children to schools further away for myriad reasons). The below map shows the community facilities.



From these maps we then collectively began drawing out rough wards, before sharing with the wider group and other stakeholders. After suggestions from this consultation we then made minor adjustments before beginning a refining process to ensure that all wards were within electoral tolerance. At this stage we then sought sign off from the wider Conservative Group. These plans were then shared with City of Wolverhampton Council officers and the Council's Governance Committee for consideration of adoption as the Council's proposal. As the minority group at the Council the

Governance Committee were not minded to propose adopting the Conservative Group proposal. As such this proposal is submitted independently of the Council for the LGBCE's consideration.

This document should be read in conjunction with the below files which provide the maps generated from the Xpress mapping tool.



22.03 Conservative  
Updated Overview Map



22.03.2021  
Conservative Updated

Each of the below ward descriptions contains elector counts, electoral equality, a description of the ward, key facilities within the ward along with a brief description of the boundary. All of the wards proposed are within the target elector count and are based on three member wards. As a rough rule of thumb we have sought to use railway lines and canals rather than roads as boundaries (where possible) as these are both less passable and, in many cases, roads may join areas rather than divide them. We have also sought in some areas to try and keep both sides of a street within the same ward rather than splitting a street down the middle to make for more effective governance.

### **Tettenhall Regis**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3265

Electoral Equality: 2.8%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Tettenhall Regis is one of two wards covering the historic village of Tettenhall. Tettenhall, as a whole, has a distinct identity. From a geographic perspective, much of the community is on a hill away from the city centre with the Smestow Valley Park, canal and Smestow Brook forming a natural barrier between the village and the city. The community is long established with some residents remembering back to when Tettenhall had its own Urban District Council. In 2012, Tettenhall Regis and Tettenhall Wightwick adopted a neighbourhood plan contributing to the planning policy of the area.

In the middle of the Ward is Tettenhall Upper Green which a large green open public space. It has a unique open-air paddling pool; the water is filtered and chlorinated. There are also two cricket clubs, a crown green bowling club and a golf club at Upper Green. This area is the main focal point for outside leisure in the Ward. There is also a leisure centre at Aldersley and a park at Claregate with a pavilion with a cricket and football pitch. There are local shopping facilities in Palmers Cross, Blakeley Green, Aldersley, Claregate and Tettenhall Wood.

Tettenhall Regis has a number of community facilities including:

- Claregate Primary School
- Palmers Cross Primary
- St Michaels C of E Primary School
- Woodthorne Primary School
- Tettenhall Wood Special School
- The Kings CE School

- Lower Green Health Centre (Tettenhall Medical Practice)
- Upper Green Pharmacy
- Lloyd's Pharmacy (Lower Green Health Centre)

Boundary description:

Tettenhall Regis has the City's boundary with Staffordshire to the west. To the north is the (Shrewsbury to Wolverhampton) railway line and to the east is the Smestow Valley Local Nature Reserve along with the Smestow Brook and the River Stour. To the south is the Tettenhall Wightwick ward which together form the wider Tettenhall area. The boundary with Tettenhall Wightwick has been drawn in such a way as to keep the village centre within one ward.

### **Tettenhall Wightwick**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3126

Electoral Equality: -1.5%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Tettenhall Wightwick is one of two wards covering the historic village of Tettenhall. Tettenhall, as a whole, has a distinct identity. From a geographic perspective, much of the community is on a hill away from the city centre with the Smestow Valley Park, canal and Smestow Brook forming a natural barrier between the village and the city. The community is long established with some residents remembering back to when Tettenhall had its own Urban District Council. In 2012, Tettenhall Wightwick and Tettenhall Regis adopted a neighbourhood plan contributing to the planning policy of the area.

The Tettenhall Wightwick ward has been draw so as to keep the village centre within one ward. Also included within the ward are Castlecroft, Compton and Finchfield areas.

Tettenhall Wightwick has a number of community facilities including:

- Castlecroft Primary School
- Christ Church CofE Infant School
- Christ Church CofE Junior School
- Westacre Infant School
- Smestow School
- The Institute (this hosts the Tettenhall Wood Community Association)
- Wood Road Health Centre, Tettenhall Medical Practice)
- Castlecroft Medical Practice
- Tettenhall Wood Pharmacy
- Bridgnorth Road Pharmacy
- Boots Pharmacy (Windmill Lane, Castlecroft)
- Tettenhall Library
- Finchfield Library

Boundary description:

To the south and west of the ward is the boundary with Staffordshire. The Smestow Local Nature Reserve (a former railway line) together with Smestow Brook and River Stour form a hard boundary to the east although this is bridged at the southern-end of the ward with bridges linking the communities of Castlecroft, Compton and Finchfield with Tettenhall Wood and Wightwick. To the north is Tettenhall Regis ward which together forms part of the wider Tettenhall area.

**Merry Hill**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3122

Electoral Equality: -1.7%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Merry Hill is a predominately residential ward roughly composed of two communities with the Five Ways area, which contains a number of shops, in the centre knitting the two together. The northern and very southern ends of the ward are mainly private owner occupied. The main southern part of the ward is made up of the Warstones council estate.

Merry Hill has a number of community facilities including:

- Uplands Junior School
- Springdale Primary School
- St Michael's Roman Catholic Primary School
- Warstones Surgery
- Penn Care Pharmacy
- Boots Pharmacy (Merry Hill)
- Boots Pharmacy (Bradmore)
- Warstones Library

Boundary description:

Merry Hill is a triangular shaped ward formed by the City's boundary with Staffordshire to the west, the wide, tree lined Warstones Road and Oxbarn Avenue to the east and the wide, single carriageway Castlecroft Road to the north. We propose continuing the boundary along Oxbarn Avenue to intersect with Finchfield Road which is a continuation of Castlecroft Road.

**Park**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 2951

Electoral Equality: -7.1%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.



Park ward is a largely inner-city ward composed mainly of residential housing though notable features include the City's Victorian West Park and the Compton training ground of Premier League Wolverhampton Wanderers FC. There is also the Newbridge playing fields in the North West corner of the ward used for, amongst other things, cricket. Much of the housing in the city is of a terraced nature with some larger properties being subdivided into self-contained flats/apartments.

Park has a number of community facilities including:

- St Judes C of E Primary School
- West Park Primary School
- Wolverhampton Grammar School
- Wolverhampton Girls High School
- St Edmunds Catholic Academy
- St Peter's Collegiate C of E
- SS Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School
- Newbridge Surgery (including JHoots Pharmacy)
- Newbridge Pharmacy
- Tettenhall Road Medical Practice
- West Park Surgery

Boundary description:

The eastern boundary is that of the ring road and part of Waterloo Road. The northern boundary is that of Newhampton Road East and Horden Road. To the west the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal forms the boundary. The southern boundary is formed by Compton Road before running down the back of Linden Lea and joining the Finchfield Road. This then runs onto the Merridale Road and Chapel Ash.

### **Graisley**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3147

Electoral Equality: -0.9%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Graisley is an inner-city, largely residential ward which extends out of the city in south western direction and gradually taking on a more suburban feel. Towards the city centre the housing is mix is more varied compared to the older nature of the housing in the Penn Fields area. Graiseley has a number of well used community spaces including the Bradmore recreation ground, St Chad's play space and Aspen Way park. There are also bowling greens in the north east (Oaklands), south east (Woodfield), south west (Bradmore) and South (Pennfields). There are also tennis courts at Bradmore and Woodfield.

Graisley has a number of community facilities including:

- Bantock Primary School
- Merridale Primary School
- Nishkam Primary School

- Woodfield Primary School
- Bradmore Community Centre
- St Chad's Community
- Owen Road Medical Centre
- Pennfields Medical Centre
- Lea Road Medical Practice
- Penn Surgery
- Hingley Pharmacy
- Pennfields Pharmacy
- Rexall Chemist
- Penn Library

Boundary description:

Graiseley is an inner-city ward with the ring road serving as the boundary to the north. The ward then radiates south west with the busy Penn Road to the east and the Merridale Road to the west. Coalway Road to the south provides much of the southern boundary.

### **Penn**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3110

Electoral Equality: -2.0%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Penn is suburban ward in the City composed mainly of privately owner property. Housing within the ward tends to be either semi-detached or detached. A key feature of the ward is the busy Penn Road which runs through the centre of the ward. With shops and takeaways along this road, many residents look towards it for local needs. Within the ward is a bowling and social club along with a popular cricket team. To the north west of the ward is the well-used Windsor Road playing fields. In the south of the ward is Penn Hospital which serves the city and wider Black Country area.

Penn has a number of community facilities including:

- St Bartholomew's Primary School
- Warstones Primary School
- Coalway Road Surgery
- Penn Manor Medical Practice
- Llyoyd's Pharmacy

Boundary description:

Penn's southern boundary is that of the City's with Staffordshire. To the west of the ward is the wide, tree-lined Warstones Drive. To the east Colton Hill school provides an impassable boundary at the southern end with this line being followed north along the Colton Hills road. To the north of the Ward Goldthorn Hill and Coalway Road form much for the boundary except for the area of Penn Fields (bounded by the busy Penn Road and Leighton Road/Wynn Road).

### **St Peter's**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 2933

Electoral Equality: -7.6%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

St Peter's is a mixed ward containing the core city centre composed of office space and retail units, residential areas extending out to the north and industrial buildings to the east and north east. In addition, this the ward contains the Molineux stadium, home of Wolverhampton Wanderers FC and Wolverhampton Racecourse which is in the Dunstall area. There is a diverse mix of housing in the ward with high rise towers, Victorian terraces and more modern suburban style housing. The ward also has much of the city's Wolverhampton University buildings within in it. The Peace Green Cricket facility is a well- used sporting facility in the centre of the ward. Outside of the Xpress Maps tool is the planned redevelopment of the former Beatties store which will see around 300 flats built.

St Peter's has a number of community facilities including:

- Dunstall Hill Primary School
- St Andrew's C of E Primary School
- Dunstall Hill Community Centre
- Gloucester Street Community Centre
- Whitmore Reans Health Centre
- Leicester Street Medical Centre
- Thornley Street Medical Centre
- Superdrug (Mander Centre)
- Boots (Mander Centre)
- Staveley Pharmacy
- Co-operative Pharmacy
- Asda Pharmacy
- Whitmore Reans Library
- Central Library

Boundary description:

The south eastern part of the ward is bounded by the ring road. To the east is the (Rugby-Birmingham-Stafford) railway line. To the west is the New Hampton Road East and then Horden Road. Across the north of the ward the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal forms part of the boundary followed by the (Shrewsbury to Wolverhampton) railway line and the southern end of Oxley Golf club.

### **Ettingshall**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 2982

Electoral Equality: -6.1%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.



Ettingshall is an inner-city ward with a mix of industrial retail and residential. The north west, east and south east of the ward are mainly industrial areas. The north has large retail units, centred at the St John's Retail Park. Towards the north of the ward is the All Saints area composed of traditional older terraced housing. The All Saints Action Network is social enterprise based on the All Saints Road. Much of the remainder of the ward is council-built housing from between the Wars. There are playing fields at Rooker Avenue in the south west of the ward, in the middle at Kent Road and in the north east at Blakenhall Recreation Ground which was formerly supported by the All Saints and Blakenhall Community Development. There is also a large allotment site at Howell Road. Lastly, additional housing is planned in the north east of the ward at Cleveland Road at the former bus depot and former Royal Hospital.

Ettingshall has a number of community facilities including:

- Graiseley Primary School
- Grove Primary School
- Parkfield Primary School
- SS Mary and Johns Catholic Primary
- Khalsa Academy
- All Saints Community Centre
- Duncan Street Primary Care Partnership
- All Saints Surgery
- Grove Medical Centre
- Co-operative Pharmacy
- Boots Pharmacy
- All Saints Pharmacy
- Ettingshall Pharmacy

Boundary description:

Ettingshall radiates from the centre of Wolverhampton towards Bilston. To the north the ring-road provides the boundary. To the east the arterial Bilston Road, Ward street (and associated green space either side) and then the Birmingham Canal Wolverhampton Level form the boundary. To the west the Birmingham Road/Thompson Avenue/ Birmingham New Road form much of this boundary. The Penn Road forms the remainder in the north west part of the ward. In the south of the ward the industrial estates separate Ettingshall from Spring Vale.

### **Blakenhall**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3334

Electoral Equality: 5.0%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Blakenhall is a ward made up of three different communities, the eponymous Blakenhall, Goldthorn Park and Ettingshall Park. The ward is a mix of industrial, residential and green space. The north western part of the ward contains a mix of industrial units with the remainder of the northern part of

the ward (those parts north of the A4039) is denser than the south being made up of older terraced and semi-detached housing. The Goldthorn Park area is categorised by inter-war housing much of it semi-detached on fairly generous plots, though there is some newer housing dating from 1960s and 1970s in the area. The very south of the ward is open green belt land which separates Wolverhampton from Dudley. The other part of the ward is the Ettingshall Park Council estate in the south east. In addition to the green belt land in the south of the ward there is Phoenix Park in the north east and Ettingshall Park in the South East.

Blakenhall has a number of community facilities including:

- Goldthorn Park Primary School
- St Luke C of E Primary School
- St Teresa's Catholic Primary Academy
- Springvale Primary School
- Colton Hills Community School
- The Royal School Wolverhampton
- Bob Jones Community Centre
- Goldthorn Social Club
- Ednam Road Surgery
- Parkfield Medical Centre
- Phoenix Health Centre
- Anderson Chemist
- Phoenix Pharmacy
- Supercare Pharmacy
- Spring Vale Library

Boundary description:

Blakenhall is a predominately Suburban ward. To the north Sunbeam street, the Marston Road Industrial estate and the Cousin Street works separate the ward from the inner city. To much the south is the City's boundary with Staffordshire. To the west of the ward the Penn Road and Colton Hills Community School make up the majority of the boundary with Coton Road being an extension of the school's boundary up to the Goldthorn Hill. To the east the arterial Birmingham New Road provides the boundary.

### **Spring Vale**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3041

Electoral Equality: -4.2%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other. Much of the ward

Spring Vale is primarily a residential ward made up Woodcross, Lanesfield, Spring Vale, Ladymoore and Millfields. There are some large retail and industrial units towards the east of the ward at the Springvale Way Retail Park and Springvale Industrial park respectively. Woodcross, Ladymoore and Lanesfield are council built properties with Woodcross and Spring Vale being newer built private housing. Woodcross is home to a play area.

Spring Vale has a number of community facilities including:

- Hill Avenue Academy
- Lanesfield Primary School
- Manor Primary School
- Woodcross Health Centre
- Murrays Chemist

Boundary description:

Spring Vale is an outer city ward with the southern boundary and half of the western boundary being that of the City's boundary. The other half of the western boundary is the arterial Birmingham New Road. The wide Millfield Road and Spring Road Industrial Estate form the majority of the northern boundary. Laburnum Road and Delhurst Avenue form the remainder. To the east Coseley Road and then the distinct Bilston Urban village development form a boundary.

### **Bilston South**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3391

Electoral Equality: 6.8%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Bilston South is a varied ward with a wide mix of housing and some large industrial tracts. Distinct communities within the ward include The Lunt in the north east and Bradley to the South. The currently being developed Bilston Urban Village to the east will in time form a distinct community. Housing within the ward varies from newbuild in the Bilston Urban Village to Victorian terracing and inter-war council-built housing in the Lunt. Bilston South also includes the southern half of the High Street along with the bus station, market and metro stop. Open space within the ward includes Rocket Pool, Coronation Park and Hall Green cemetery in the south of the ward.

Bilston South has a number of community facilities including:

- Loxdale Primary School
- Holy Trinity RC primary
- Field View Primary School
- St Martins CofE Primary
- Wilkinson Primary School
- Ormiston SWB Academy
- Lunt Community Centre
- Bradley Health Centre
- Hill Street Surgery
- Bradley Medical Centre
- Church Street Surgery
- Bilston Urban Village Medical Centre
- Bert Williams Leisure Centre
- Bilston Library

Boundary description:

Bilston South is one of two wards which entirely cover Bilston. Much of the boundary of the ward is that of the city's with Walsall, Sandwell and Dudley. The remaining boundaries are to the east the Coseley Road and the western side of the Bilston Urban Village; and to the north the High Street and Willenhall Road (B4484). In constructing this proposal we have sought to balance the town of Bilston across the two Bilston wards.

**Bilston North**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3365

Electoral Equality: 6.0%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Bilston North is one of two wards which cover the town of Bilston. Mainly residential, the ward includes the communities of Portobello, Stow Lawn and Green Lanes. The southern part of the ward contains the northern part of the High Street. Also in the southern part of the ward, but to the east, is an industrial area off the B4484. Open space within the ward includes Hickman Park and Peascroft Wood. In constructing this proposal we have sought to balance the town of Bilston across the two Bilston wards.

Bilston North has a number of community facilities including:

- Bilston CofE Primary School
- Stowlawn Primary School
- Green Park School
- Villiers Primary School
- Moseley Park School
- Bilston Community Centre
- Bilston Town Hall
- Bilston Health Centre
- Caerleon Surgery
- Wellington Road Surgery
- Ettingshall Medical Centre
- Portobello Pharmacy
- Boots Pharmacy (Bilston Health Centre)

Boundary description:

The north-eastern boundary is that of the City's with Walsall. The Willenhall Road (B4484), Mount Pleasant, High Street and Millfields Road form the south eastern boundary. Part of Birmingham Canal Wolverhampton Level along with Ward Street, the City of Wolverhampton College Bilston Campus and Stow Lawn Primary school form the western boundary. The northern boundary is formed by Green Lanes, Proud's Lane, Hill Road, Vaughan Road and Dilloways Lane.

### **East Park**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3326

Electoral Equality: 4.8%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

East Park is an inner-city ward and is a mainly residential area of the city roughly between Wednesfield and Bilston. There is some industrial land to the west of the ward. Key features of the ward include the Victorian East Park which gives the ward its name and the Monmore Green Racetrack which is used for greyhound racing and speedway. The Willenhall road runs through the centre of the ward. Other open space used by the community includes the Stowlawn wood and Stowheath Lane open space to the south of ward and which forms a green barrier between East Park and Bilston North. Communities which make up East Park are Monmore Green, Stow Heath and Moseley Village

East Park has a number of community facilities including:

- East Park Primary School
- Holy Rosary RC Primary School
- Stowheath Primary School
- St Matthias School
- Portobello Community Centre
- East Park Medical Centre
- Mayfield Medical Practice
- Brookland Pharmacy
- Mayfield Pharmacy
- East Park Library

Boundary description:

The Walsall – Wolverhampton Rail line forms the northern boundary. To the east/south-east, Green Lanes, Proud’s Lane, Hill Road, Vaughan Road and Dilloways Lane for the boundary. The south-western boundary is formed by the arterial Bilston Road (A41). To the west of the of the ward the boundary is formed by Birmingham Canal Wolverhampton level, Lower Walsall Street, Lower Horseley Fields and Old Heath Road.

### **Heath Town**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 2937

Electoral Equality: -7.5%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Heath Town is an inner-city ward which radiates from the city centre in a north-easterly direction. Heath Town has a diverse mix of property types which include high rise university student accommodation at the western edge nearest the city centre, and high-rise towers and apartment

blocks in Heath Town, much of which is subject to regeneration proposals. The majority of the remaining housing is council built particularly in the Park Village and Springfield areas. There is privately owned housing in the north east of the ward and the south west around the Horseley Fields area. Not included with the Xpress mapping tool is the planned Canalside quarter around Lower Horsley Fields that will bring around 370 homes/450 electors in addition to the forecast electors. There are some industrial parts to the ward primarily around the Wyrley and Essington Canal and the Wednesfield Road. Lastly, the City's main hospital, New Cross, is located in the north east of the ward.

Heath Town has a number of community facilities including:

- Eastfields Primary School
- St Stephens C of E Primary School
- Trinity C of E Primary School
- Woden Primary
- Thomas Telford UTC
- Heath Park School
- Eastfield Community Centre
- Woden Road Surgery
- Tudor Medical Centre
- Lloyd's Pharmacy

Boundary description:

The western boundary is the city centre-ring road. To the north the arterial Cannock Road (A460) forms the boundary before hitting Bushbury Road and then joining Thorney Croft Lane/Prestwood Road. New Cross Hospital forms a firm divide with the actual eastern boundary running along Victoria Avenue. To the south the arterial Wednesfield Road forms part of the boundary before heading down Old Heath Road, checking across the Willenhall Road before meeting the Birmingham Canal Wolverhampton Level then the arterial Bilston Road.

### **Wednesfield South**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3222

Electoral Equality: 1.5%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Wednesfield South is one of two wards covering the historic village of Wednesfield and contains the village centre. Residential areas are varied, generally comprising traditional early 20<sup>th</sup> century development, inter war and post war housing, circa 1960's development including sporadic apartment blocks and more modern suburban areas. These tend to provide localised vernaculars, whilst being serviced by central locations (such as Wednesfield High Street), localised shopping parades and areas of open space connected in part to the Wyrley and Essington Canal which meanders through the area. The ward boundary reflects how communities have developed in and around these features. The ward is of a more mixed nature with the widely used Bentley Bridge retail park to the east, a large industrial area (Neachells) to the South. The northern half of the ward is mainly housing although



there is a retail offering in the centre (including a market). There are a number of open spaces including the King George V playing fields, Wednesfield Park and Perry Hall Field.

Wednesfield South has a number of community facilities including:

- Perry Hall Primary School
- St Patrick's RC Primary School
- St Thomas C of E Primary School
- Wodensfield Primary School
- Wednesfield High Specialist Engineering Academy
- Wednesfield Community Centre
- Alfred Squire Health Centre
- Boots Pharmacy (Bentley Bridge)
- Wednesfield Library

Boundary description:

The northern boundary runs along Stubby Lane (a road with wide pavements despite being named 'lane'), the arterial Lichfield Road, Moat House Lane East and West, Bellamy Road before the football pitches at Cedar Road and the playing field of Wodensfield Primary. The western boundary runs along Vicarage Road with the hospital behind serving as a boundary before running along the busy Wolverhampton Road and joining the arterial Wednesfield Way. The Walsall – Wolverhampton Rail line forms the southern boundary.

### **Wednesfield North**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3201

Electoral Equality: 0.8%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Wednesfield North is one of two wards covering the historic village of Wednesfield. The vast majority of the ward is residential with the main hub of the ward being the Ashmore Park estate. This is an inter war council-built estate though is of mixed tenure now. At the heart of the estate is the large Ashmore Park which has a retail centre to the south of the park. To ensure good electoral equality across the two Wednesfield wards Wednesfield North includes the housing between the Wide stubby Lane, Lichfield Road, Moat house Lane East and the Wyrely and Essington Canal. This part of the ward contains some commercial areas.

Wednesfield North has a number of community facilities including:

- Edward the Elder Primary School
- Oak Meadow Primary
- St Albans C of E Primary School
- Coppice Performing Arts School
- Corpus Christi RC Primary School
- The Hub at Ashmore Park
- Griffiths Drive Medical Practice

- Ashmore Park Medical Centre
- Ashmore Park Library

Boundary description:

Much of the boundary is that of the city's with Staffordshire (to the west and north) and Walsall (to the east). The south western boundary runs along Stubby Lane (a road with wide pavements despite being named 'lane'), the arterial Lichfield Road, Moat House Lane East and West (crossing the Wyerly and Essington Canal) before joining Ridge Lane.

### **Fallings Park**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3252

Electoral Equality: 2.4%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Fallings Park is a residential suburb to the north east of the city with much of the housing being council built between the wars and after the Second World War with a mix of tenures. Communities in the area include Wood End and the Scotlands. The Scotlands roundabout in the centre of the ward contains a number of shops and food outlets that serve area. The six roads leading to the roundabout act as natural draw to the centre of the ward.

Fallings Park has a number of community facilities including:

- Berrybrook Primary School
- Bushbury Hill Primary School
- D'eyncourt Primary School
- Long Knowle Primary School
- St Mary's Catholic Primary School
- Wood End Primary School
- Moreton School
- Long Knowle Primary School
- Prestbury Medical Practice
- Cannock Road Medical Practice
- Primrose Lane Health Centre
- Keats Grove Surgery
- Fallings Park Pharmacy
- HN Pharmacy
- Boots Pharmacy
- Essington Pharmacy
- Long Knowle Library

Boundary description:

The eastern ward boundary is that of the city's with Walsall. To the south, part of Moat House Lane West, Bellamy Lane, the Cedar Way Football pitches, Wodensfield Primary School playing field and

Prestwood Road form the boundary. The much used Bushbury Road and Old Fallings Lane form the western boundary. To the north Bushbury Hill, Bushbury Cemetery and Crematorium and Northcote Farm form the boundary.

### **Bushbury South and Low Hill**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3281

Electoral Equality: 3.3%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Bushbury South and Low Hill is a predominantly residential area with a large amounts of Council housing, much of it built in the interwar period. The southern end of the ward is mainly industrial in nature with a large industrial estate at Park Lane, with additional industrial usage at the western edge of the ward. There is additional housing in the south in the Springfield area.

Bushbury South and Low Hill has a number of community facilities including:

- Whitgreave Primary School
- Our Lady and St Chad Catholic Academy
- Low Hill Community Centre
- Showell Park Health Centre
- MGS Medical Practice
- Poplars Medical Practice
- Low Hill Pharmacy
- Your Pharmacy First
- Bushbury Lane Pharmacy
- Low Hill Library

Boundary description:

To the west is the (Rugby-Birmingham-Stafford) railway line. To the south and part of the east of the ward the arterial Cannock Road forms the boundary. The remainder of the eastern boundary is formed by following the line of the Cannock Road north to Old Fallings Lane which despite its name is a rather wide avenue style road. To the north Elston Hall Lane, Sandy Lane and green space produce the boundary.

### **Bushbury North**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3135

Electoral Equality: -1.3%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Bushbury North is a mixed ward of residential, industrial/modern commercial and large open green space. Located to the north of the City much of the housing is suburban with the notable exception of

the properties facing onto the A449 Stafford Road. The North west of the ward contains industrial units. The northern most part of the ward is privately owned housing with the rest of the ward being mainly composed of council-built housing. Vine Island on the Stafford Road hosts a number of shops along with the Marsh Lane parade shops further south. Open space within the ward includes Northcote Farm, Northwood Park, Bushbury Hill and Bushbury Crematorium and Cemetery, which also largely comprise areas of Green Belt fringing towards South Staffordshire and providing a semi-rural resource for local residents.

Bushbury North has a number of community facilities including:

- Northwood Park Primary School
- Woodbury School
- St Anthony's Roman Catholic Primary Academy
- Elston Hall Primary School
- Oxley Surgery
- Bushbury Health Centre
- Mayfield Medical Practice
- Alpha Pharmacy
- Co-operative Pharmacy
- Collingwood Library

Boundary description:

Much of the northern half of the ward's boundary is that of the City's with Staffordshire. To the west, the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal forms the boundary. Moving round to the south Marsh Lane serves as half the boundary with the fenced off school playing fields backing onto this road. The small business park, Goodyear neighbourhood park, Elston Hall Lane and Sandy Lane make up the remainder of this boundary. The eastern boundary is composed of the green space that is Bushbury Hill.

## **Oxley**

Forecast electoral count (2026) per councillor: 3373

Electoral Equality: 6.2%

The electorate is within tolerance and the ward is of a regular shape with no need to cross another ward to get from one side to the other.

Oxley is a mainly residential ward in the north west of the city. Canals somewhat segment the ward into three constituent parts of Pendeford, Dovecotes and Oxley. Much of Dovecotes is council-built housing, with Pendeford comprising a mix of council built and more modern housing development, which replaced the former Wolverhampton Airfield. The Oxley part of the ward is more varied with a mix of housing types and ages. Also included within the ward is the newer built Akron estate. We have included this area within this ward as it has access off the Stafford road, and therefore has greater connectivity with areas in Oxley, whereas the railway line to the east of the Akron estate is largely impassable and forms a barrier between communities. In addition a new Aldi supermarket and pub are located at the same junction which are more easily accessed by residents of the Oxley ward than

the existing Bushbury South and Low Hill residents. The south of the ward features the Oxley Golf course.

Oxley has a number of community facilities including:

- Dovecotes Primary School
- Rake Gate Primary School
- St Paul's C of E Primary School
- Aldersley High School
- Ormiston NEW Academy
- Pendeford Community Centre
- Pendeford Health Centre
- Ashfield Road Surgery
- Probert Road Surgery
- Pendeford Library

Boundary description:

To the west of Oxley is the city's boundary with Staffordshire. To the south is the (Shrewsbury to Wolverhampton) railway line. To the north of the ward, city boundary, the north east Wolverhampton Academy and a continuation on from the school along Marsh Lane form a natural boundary. To the east the (Rugby-Birmingham-Stafford) railway line forms a hard boundary.

