

New electoral arrangements for Wychavon District Council Further Draft Recommendations

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Analysis and further draft recommendations in the southern Wychavon area

1 Following our consultation on the draft recommendations for Wychavon, the Commission has decided to hold a period of consultation on further draft recommendations in the south of the district, prior to publication of its final recommendations. The Commission believes it has received sufficient evidence relating to the rest of the district to finalise its recommendations. The final recommendations for the whole of the district are due to be published in September 2022.

2 During consultation on the draft recommendations, that were published on 11 January 2022, we received 175 representations. Many submissions focused on specific areas across the district. We received a number of proposals for alternative warding arrangements in the south of the district. These were focused on the desire for clear delineation between wards with urban identities, and those based around rural areas. People opposed our draft recommendations to place Peopleton in a ward with Drakes Broughton, and to place Great Comberton and Little Comberton in separate wards.

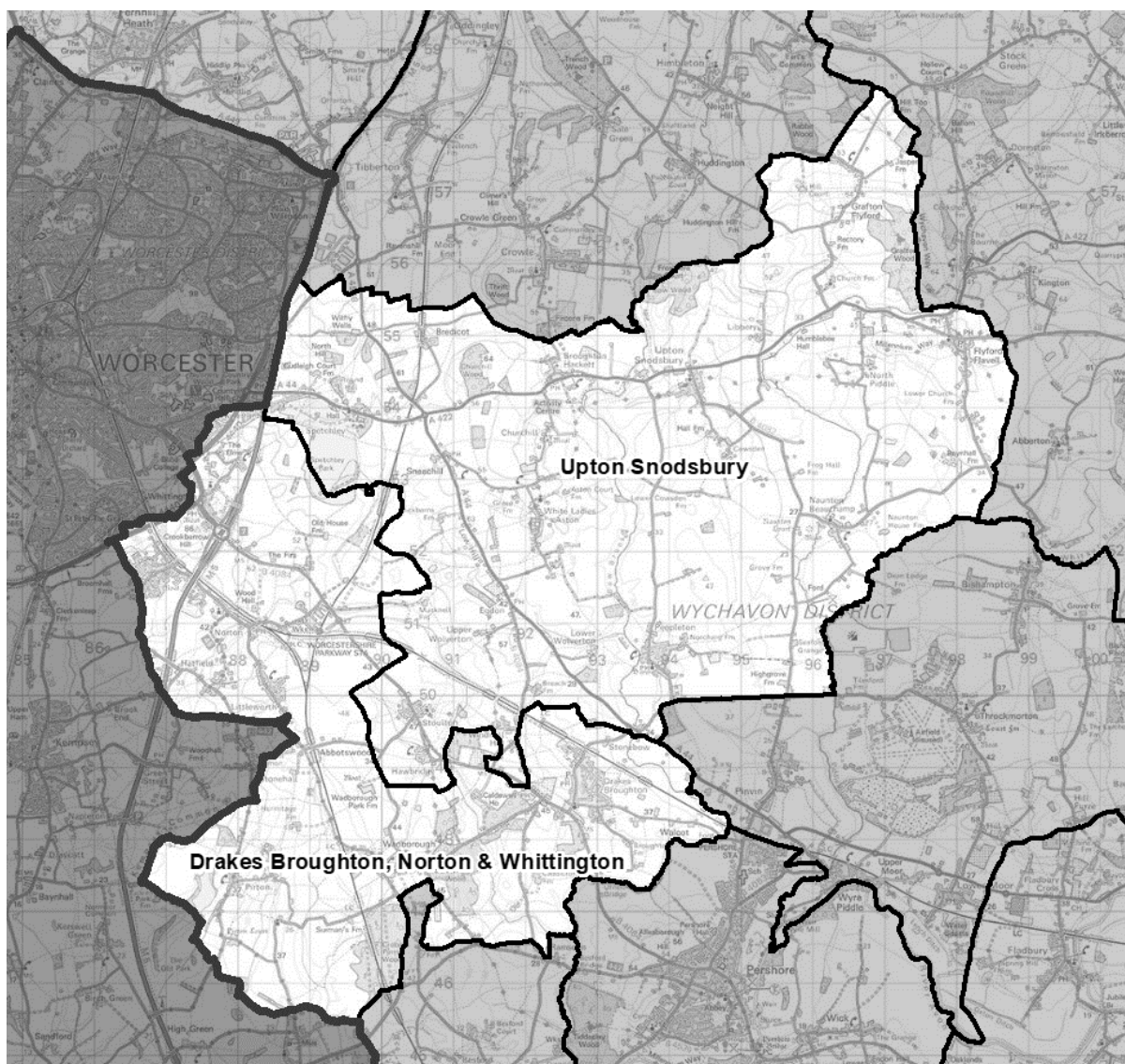
3 Accordingly, we have been persuaded to amend our proposals and publish further draft recommendations for wards in these areas. We are now inviting further views, in this area only, in order to identify whether these revised warding arrangements best reflect our statutory criteria.

4 We welcome all comments on these proposals, particularly on the location of the ward boundaries and the names of our proposed wards. This stage of consultation begins on 28 June 2022 and closes on 2 August 2022. Please see page 17 for more information on how to send us your response.

5 The tables and maps on pages 2–14 detail our further draft recommendations for the areas in the south of Wychavon. They detail how the proposed warding arrangements reflect the three statutory criteria of:

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

Western Wychavon



Ward name	Number of councillors	Variance 2027
Drakes Broughton, Norton & Whittington	2	7%
Upton Snodsbury	1	-7%

Drakes Broughton, Norton & Whittington and Upton Snodsbury

6 Our draft recommendations for this area included three-single-member wards. Our proposed Drakes Broughton ward included the parishes of Peopleton, Drakes Broughton & Wadborough and Pirton; our proposed Norton & Stoulton ward covered the two eponymous parishes; and our proposed Whittington & Upton Snodsbury ward included the parishes of Whittington, Spetchley, Bredicot, Churchill, White Ladies Aston, Broughton Hackett, Upton Snodsbury, Naunton Beauchamp, Grafton Flyford, North Piddle and Flyford Flavell. We received numerous representations from residents of Peopleton and Stoulton, to the effect that these villages had a rural

outlook and did not share community identity with Drakes Broughton, which was described as a small town, rather than a village. Residents of Peopleton noted that they share a community identity with White Ladies Aston, Upton Snodsbury and Churchill, rather than with Drakes Broughton.

7 Peopleton and Stoulton parish councils and Cllr L. Robinson also supported proposals to amend the draft recommendations, in order to place both parishes in a rural-based ward. Peopleton Parish Council and several residents noted that if the parish were included in the same ward as Drakes Broughton, the larger settlement would receive a greater amount of resource and time from the elected councillor. We note this concern, but the details of how a councillor chooses to represent their ward are not a matter for us.

8 Cllr R. Adams described our draft recommendations as a 'realistic option'. While not proposing any specific changes, he noted that the South Worcestershire Development Plan linked the parishes of Whittington, Norton juxta Kempsey and Drakes Broughton.

9 Both Norton juxta Kempsey and Whittington parish councils provided evidence that they faced similar issues and would prefer to remain together as in the existing ward. We considered this option but note that the combined forecast electorate of these parishes is 3,344, offering poor electoral equality as either a single-member (31% variance) or two-member (-34% variance) ward.

10 We carefully considered all submissions regarding the configuration of these wards. We were persuaded that the key factor determining community identity was whether parishes saw themselves with an urban or rural outlook. We considered merging the Upton Snodsbury and Norton & Whittington wards outlined in our draft recommendations into a two-member ward but note that similar proposals for large two-member wards had not received support in other areas of the district and we were therefore not persuaded to do this. We considered splitting Whittington parish, with the northern section being placed in a ward with the remainder of Upton Snodsbury ward and the southern section being joined to Norton, to offer two single-member wards with good electoral equality; however, this would still merge urban and rural communities in the same ward in a way that would not offer the best possible reflection of community identity.

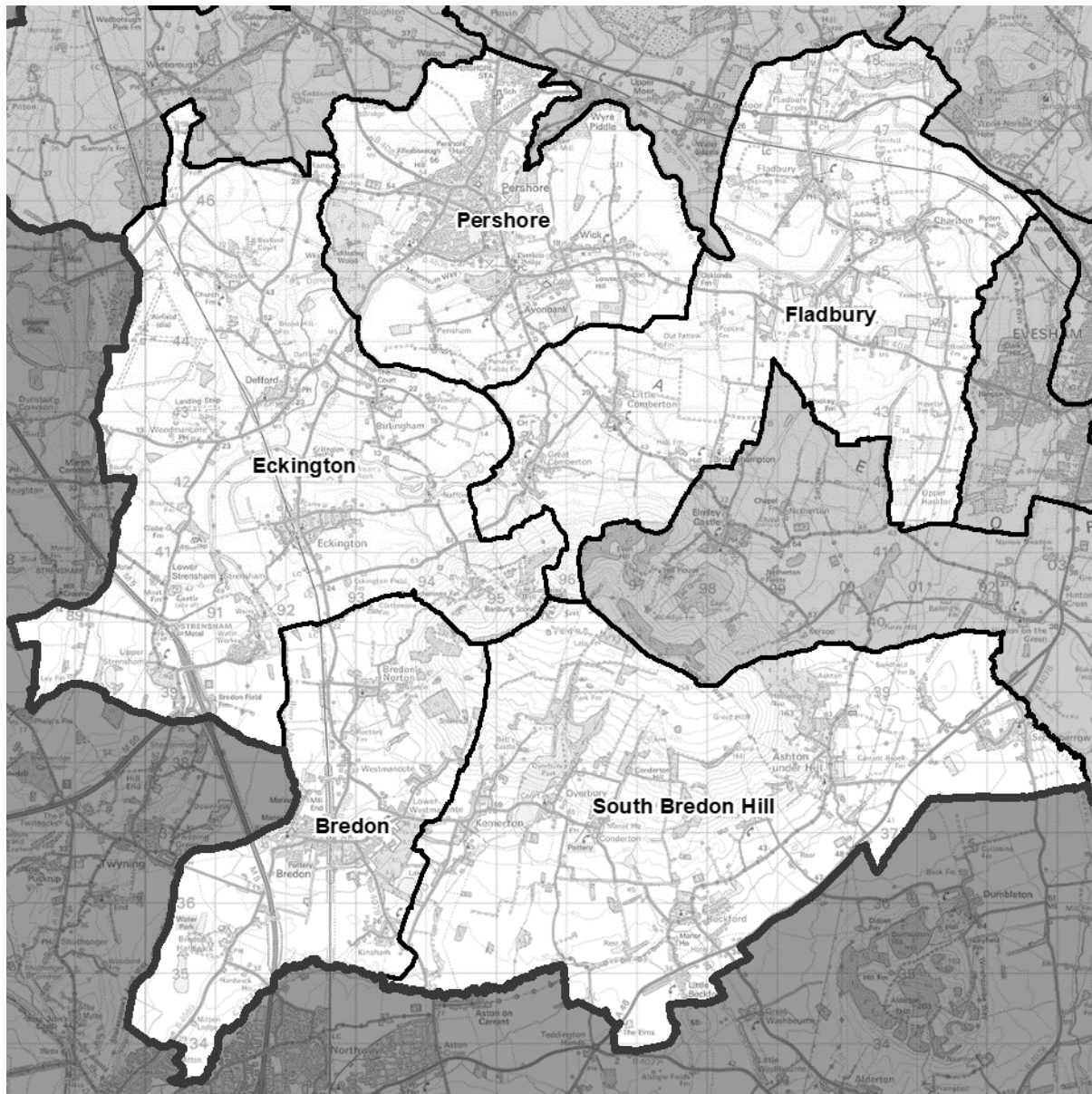
11 Given the evidence as to the rural nature of some parishes, and the semi-urban nature of others, we propose to amend our original draft recommendations, and consult further on revised proposals. We propose a two-member ward covering Drakes Broughton & Wadborough, Pirton, Norton juxta Kempsey and Whittington parishes; and a single-member ward with a rural character, covering the parishes of Spetchley, Bredicot, White Ladies Aston, Churchill, Stoulton, Broughton Hackett, Upton Snodsbury, Peopleton, Naunton Beauchamp, Grafton Flyford, North Piddle

and Flyford Flavell. We remain open-minded on these proposals, and welcome views on whether any of these suggestions are likely to offer a better balance of the statutory criteria than our further draft recommendations.

12 The specific proposal of linking Drakes Broughton with Norton and Whittington was not proposed to us, but we generally are more sympathetic towards proposals to join neighbouring communities together in a single ward, as opposed to the alternative of splitting existing communities between two wards.

13 Both of these wards are forecast to have good electoral equality, and we welcome further evidence as to whether they accurately reflect community identity in this area of Wychavon. We also welcome views on the other permutation of wards set out in paragraph 10 above.

South Western Wychavon



Ward name	Number of councillors	Variance 2027
Bredon	1	-3%
Eckington	1	-5%
Fladbury	1	0%
Pershore	3	0%
South Bredon Hill	1	-2%

Bredon and South Bredon Hill

14 Our draft recommendations proposed a two-councillor ward for this area, incorporating Elmley Castle and Netherton parishes to the north of Bredon Hill itself, together with Ashton under Hill, Beckford, Conderton, Overbury, Kemerton, Bredon and Bredon's Norton parishes. During consultation on the draft recommendations,

the Council, supported by the Liberal Democrats and Conservatives, proposed that this ward be split into two single-member wards and be slightly reconfigured to ensure that only parishes on the southern side of Bredon Hill were included in these wards.

15 Bredon & Bredon's Norton grouped Parish Council noted that they welcomed the addition of a second member to represent them, but that their priority on the grounds of community identity and future housing development was the inclusion of the Westmancote area, which on the existing warding pattern is part of the South Bredon Hill ward. Our further draft recommendations retain this area, part of Bredon parish, within the ward of the same name, ensuring that the entirety of Bredon parish is within a single ward. We consider that this proposal, with two single-member wards, reflects the evidence provided that a two-member ward in this area would be too large to effectively and conveniently represent.

16 Sedgeberrow Parish Council suggested that our draft recommendations, placing them in a ward with Broadway, could lead to the ward being dominated by the larger urban settlement. They broadly supported the Council's proposal to divide the wards in this area into single-member wards (discussed in more detail at para 42) but argued that they would like to remain in a ward with Aston Somerville and Hinton on the Green parishes, citing shared issues around flooding, and the A46. We note that, while Hinton on the Green and Aston Somerville parishes are grouped, with a single parish council, Sedgeberrow is not.

17 We have carefully considered all the submissions in this area and are proposing further draft recommendations for consultation. We have adopted the Council's proposal, supported by the Liberal Democrats and Conservatives, to place Sedgeberrow in a single-member South Bredon Hill ward. We were persuaded that our original draft recommendations proposed a ward which was geographically large and would have been challenging to represent effectively.

18 While our further draft proposal does not meet the request of Sedgeberrow Parish Council to retain a connection with Hinton on the Green and Aston Somerville, it is not possible to place Sedgeberrow in our proposed Elmley Castle & Childswickham ward while retaining good electoral equality. Without further changes, placing Sedgeberrow in this ward would result in variances of -30% and +36% for South Bredon Hill and Elmley Castle & Childswickham, respectively – well beyond the bounds of good electoral equality.

Eckington, Fladbury and Pershore

19 Our original draft recommendations in this area were based on a proposal by the Liberal Democrats. The Liberal Democrats continued to support our draft

recommendations, while the Council and Conservatives did not offer comments on these wards.

20 Eckington Parish Council noted that they had no objection to the addition of Great Comberton parish to the existing Eckington ward, although they noted that Great Comberton would be responding separately. Cllr S. Rees noted the grouped status of Defford and Besford parishes, and noted that she would oppose any proposal to split these two parishes, as this would not promote effective and convenient local government.

21 The Council proposed no changes to our draft recommendations for these wards, including maintaining the separation of Great Comberton and Little Comberton. The Liberal Democrats supported our draft proposals, as well as the changes proposed by the Council to neighbouring wards.

22 Little Comberton Parish Council, supported by Great Comberton Parish Council, Elmley Castle, Bricklehampton & Netherton Parish Council and a number of residents provided evidence of community links between Great Comberton, Little Comberton and Elmley Castle. Links cited include sporting ties, planning issues relating to the edge of the nearby Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and concerns over speeding traffic.

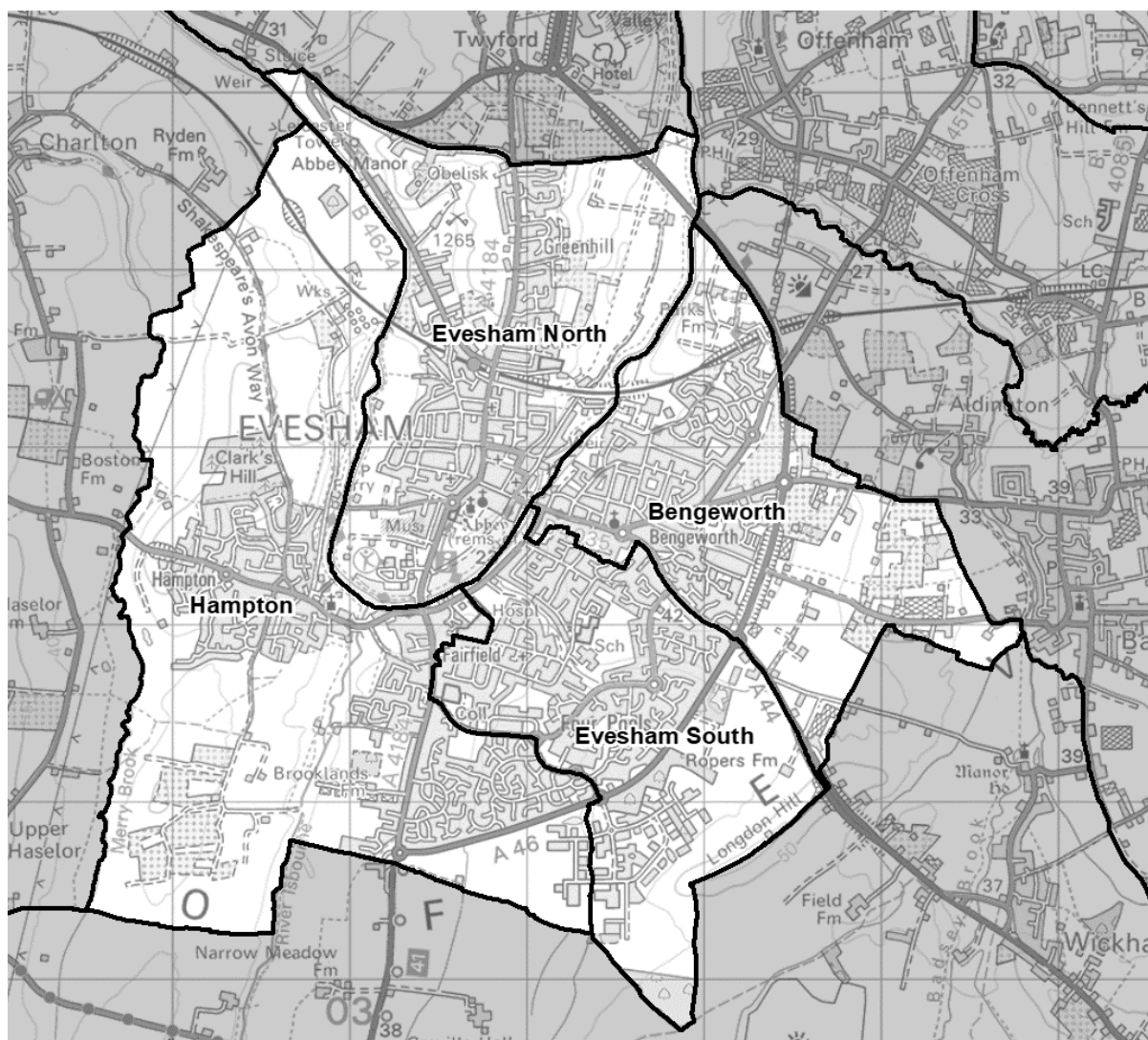
23 We have carefully considered all the submissions in this area. We accept that were community identity the only consideration, it would be desirable to place Great Comberton, Little Comberton and Elmley Castle in the same ward, which would of necessity include Bricklehampton as well. However, we are unable to propose a ward including all of these parishes while still having regard to acceptable levels of electoral equality. With no consequential changes, placing these parishes together would leave Elmley Castle & Childswickham ward with 36% more electors per councillor than average, and Fladbury with 28% fewer electors.

24 As part of our further draft recommendations, we propose to add Great Comberton and Little Comberton parishes to the Fladbury ward outlined in our draft recommendations. Without further changes, this would leave Fladbury ward with 16% more electors per councillor than average – significantly outside of the range of good electoral equality. We propose to mitigate this by moving Wick parish into Pershore ward, allowing both of our proposed Pershore and Fladbury wards to have excellent electoral equality.

25 We note that we received no proposals specifically suggesting that Wick should join with Pershore, and indeed that the Liberal Democrat submission specifically noted that the parishes neighbouring Pershore had somewhat different concerns from the town itself. We recognise that a Pershore ward comprising only Pershore may be a better reflection of community identity for the town. However, when

considering what we should propose for the whole of this area we think this may provide the best balance of the statutory criteria given what we have heard about community identity elsewhere. We retain an open mind on these proposals and would be particularly interested in further evidence as to whether these proposals overall offer a better reflection of community identity than our original draft proposals, or whether a different configuration of parishes could offer a better balance of our three statutory criteria.

Evesham



Ward name	Number of councillors	Variance 2027
Bengeworth	2	3%
Evesham North	2	-2%
Evesham South	2	-8%
Hampton	3	-8%

Bengeworth and Evesham North

26 We received few comments on these proposed wards. One resident objected to our proposal to place The Parks and Lodge Park Drive within Bengeworth, on the grounds that this may affect school catchment areas. This is not an issue which we consider, and there is no particular reason why catchment areas should necessarily follow ward boundaries.

27 The Mid-Worcestershire & the Vale Green Party proposed an alternative boundary between Evesham South and Bengeworth, following the length of Port

Street and Broadway Road. We visited this street on our tour of Wychavon, and consider that using Port Street as a boundary would not promote effective and convenient local government, due to its nature as a relatively narrow street with retail and other facilities on both sides. We consider that this street is a centre of a community and housing either side of it should be included in the same ward to reflect the community in the area. We have therefore not adopted this proposal but retain our proposed boundary to the south of Port Street as part of our further draft recommendations.

28 Cllr M. Goodge welcomed our proposals for Bengeworth and Evesham North, but suggested that our proposed boundary placing Workman Gardens in Evesham South rather than Bengeworth did not represent the history of this area accurately. We were not persuaded to make this change at this stage as we were not persuaded that this would better reflect communities in the area or provide for more effective and convenient local government. However, there are no implications for electoral equality and so we welcome further evidence as to whether placing Workman Gardens in Bengeworth ward would better reflect the communities as they exist now or provide for more effective and convenient local government.

Evesham South and Hampton

29 Our original draft recommendations in this area were based on a proposal by the Liberal Democrats, with an adjustment to ensure good electoral equality. The Council proposed an amendment to the boundary between these wards, which received broad support from the Liberal Democrat, Conservative and Green Party submissions, together with that of Evesham Town Council.

30 The Council proposed a boundary running from the river southwards along the A4184 Cheltenham Road, before running between the Thistledown and Charity Crescent estates. The Council and the supporting submissions argued that our original draft proposal divided an established community around the Fairfield area, and required the creation of relatively small parish wards in a way that would not promote effective and convenient local government.

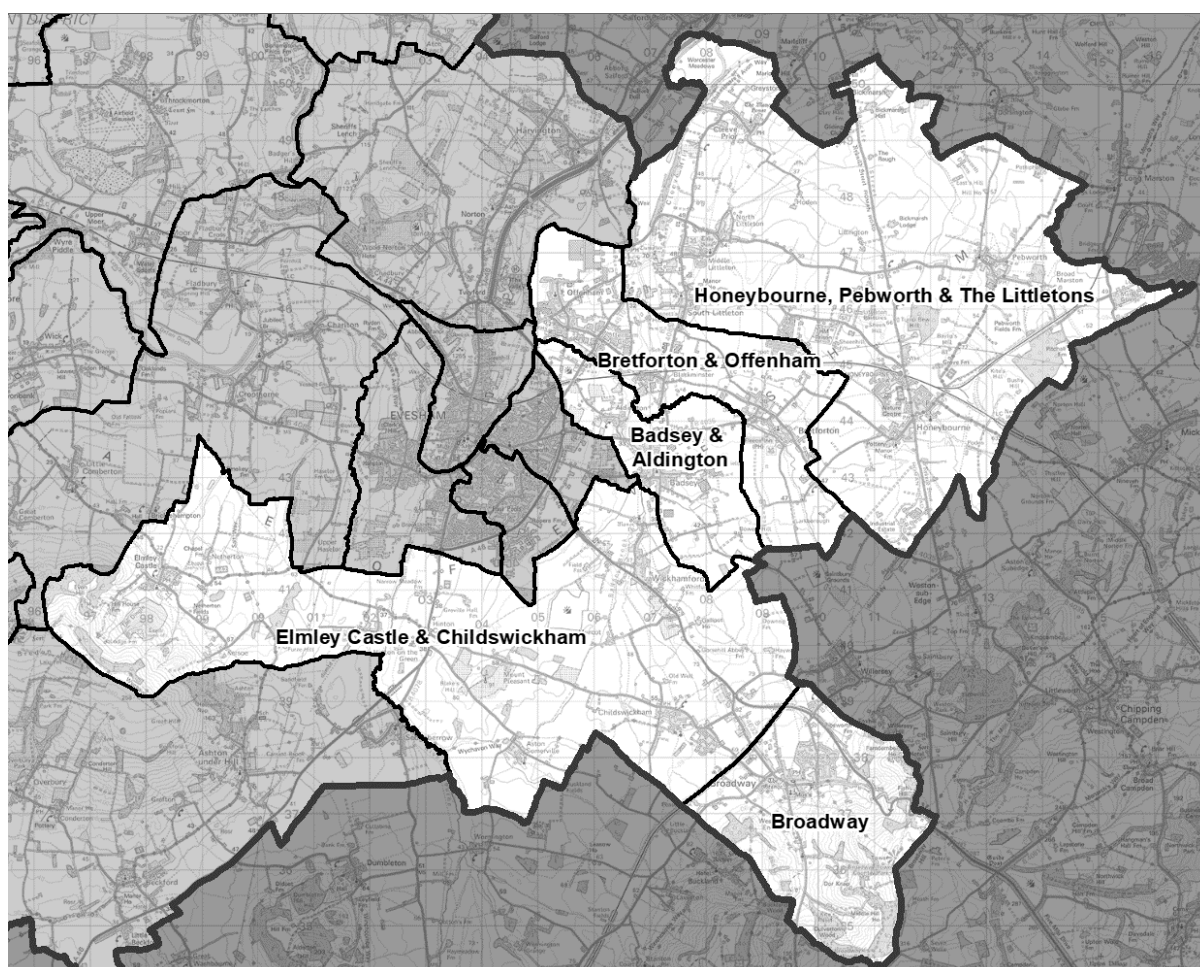
31 We consider the Council's proposal has advantages in terms of the community identity of the Fairfield area, and the issues surrounding parish warding. However, the Council's proposal unamended would see a three-member Evesham South ward with 15% fewer electors per councillor than average. We consider that this deviation from electoral equality is not justified. However, we have been persuaded that there may be some changes here that would provide a better reflection of the criteria and have identified an alternative as part of our further draft recommendations.

32 We propose to place the Fairfield area in a two-member Evesham South ward, and both the Thistledown and Charity Crescent estates in a three-member Hampton ward. Both of these wards are forecast to have electoral variances of -8%, just within

the bounds of good electoral equality. This reflects the evidence received that the Fairfield area has a discrete community identity that should not, if possible, be split. We welcome further evidence on our proposed boundary, and if it can be further improved while retaining a good balance of our statutory criteria.

33 We received a number of representations regarding the name of our proposed 'The Hamptons' ward. Several residents felt the name was inappropriate, or associated with a particular housing development. Suggestions for an alternative included 'Evesham West', 'Hampton', or a combination of these. We are proposing 'Hampton' as part of our further draft recommendations but retain an open mind as to whether an alternative name could best represent this area.

South Eastern Wychavon



Ward name	Number of councillors	Variance 2027
Badsey & Aldington	1	-4%
Bretforton & Offenham	1	-4%
Broadway	1	2%
Elmley Castle & Childswickham	1	8%
Honeybourne, Pebworth & The Littletons	2	9%

Badsey & Aldington

34 We received few comments on this proposed ward as set out in our draft recommendations. In addition to one resident objecting to the northern boundary (para 26), we received two submissions suggesting that part of the southern section of Badsey parish should move into the neighbouring parish of Wickhamford.

35 We do not have the power to alter the boundary of parishes as part of this electoral review. This power is held by Wychavon Council, which can propose changes as part of a Community Governance Review. We considered amending the

ward boundaries to include the southern section of Badsey parish within the same ward as Childswickham, but the relatively small number of electors involved means that the parish ward that we would have to create would have fewer than 100 electors. We do not consider that creating wards of this size is compatible with effective and convenient local government.

36 We are maintaining our proposed Badsey & Aldington ward as part of our further draft recommendations.

Bretforton & Offenham and Honeybourne, Pebworth & The Littletons

37 Our original draft recommendations proposed a single-member ward of Bretforton & Honeybourne, comprising the two parishes of these names; and a two-councillor ward stretching from Offenham to Pebworth, named 'The Littletons'. These received mixed responses, and we are proposing an alternative pattern as part of our further draft recommendations.

38 The parish councils of Offenham and Honeybourne, and Cllr A. Mathias, indicated that they did not support our draft proposals. Honeybourne Parish Council stated that they preferred the existing arrangement, although without providing evidence as to how they felt that this better met the statutory criteria. Offenham Parish Council objected to the fact that their village was not included in the name of the proposed ward, and the fact that local residents might be confused by the prospect of a two-councillor ward.

39 Cllr Mathias provided evidence of community links between Pebworth and Honeybourne, citing shared restaurants and links between the churches in the respective villages. We note, however, that the combined forecast electorate of Honeybourne and Pebworth (2,969 electors) is significantly higher than that for a single-member ward.

40 We considered retaining our original draft recommendations, with the addition of Offenham to the name of The Littletons, in order to reflect the concerns expressed by Offenham Parish Council. Instead, however, as part of our further draft recommendations we propose to retain the existing Bretforton & Offenham ward, and place Honeybourne and Pebworth in a ward with Cleeve Prior, Bickmarsh, North & Middle Littleton and South Littleton parishes, allowing for a two-councillor ward with good electoral equality. We consider that this offers both a better reflection of the evidence received with regard to the community identity of these areas, and a pattern of wards closer to the existing pattern in this area that was proposed by a number of parishes. We welcome further evidence as to whether this is indeed a better reflection of community identity than our initial draft proposals, or whether we should revert to our original draft proposals ahead of our final recommendations.

Broadway and Elmley Castle & Childswickham

41 Our original draft recommendations in this area were based on a proposal by the Liberal Democrats and included the entirety of Broadway parish together with neighbouring rural parishes in a two-member ward.

42 The Council, supported by the Liberal Democrats, Conservatives and Broadway Parish Council, proposed to split this two-member ward into two single-member wards, with a boundary along the Gloucestershire–Warwickshire Steam Railway line through Broadway parish. This allows a single-member ward with good equality for the bulk of Broadway village south of the railway line, while the remainder of the parish joins with neighbouring parishes to form a ward with a more clearly rural identity. We consider that, based on the evidence from the Council and Broadway Parish Council, these two wards offer a better reflection of community identity, while retaining a strong and clear boundary where we propose to split Broadway parish. We have adopted this proposal and propose these two wards as part of our further draft recommendations.

43 Hinton on the Green & Aston Somerville Parish Council did not support our original draft recommendations, noting that they felt they would be ‘overshadowed’ by the larger Broadway parish in such a ward. This parish council also noted that they enjoyed links to the neighbouring parish of Sedgeberrow and would like to remain in a ward with Sedgeberrow if possible. We considered this carefully but note that adding Sedgeberrow to this ward would leave both our proposed South Bredon Hill and Elmley Castle & Childswickham wards well beyond the bounds of good equality, with variances of -30% and 36%, respectively. We have therefore not adopted the proposal to place Sedgeberrow in a ward with Hinton on the Green and Aston Somerville.

44 We welcome further evidence as to both the boundaries of these wards and the name of Elmley Castle & Childswickham ward. Specifically, we seek to maintain the balance between including as many communities as possible within the ward name, while retaining a name which is short enough for convenient use.

Parish electoral arrangements

45 As part of an electoral review, we are required to have regard to the statutory criteria set out in Schedule 2 to the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (the 2009 Act). The Schedule provides that if a parish is to be divided between different wards it must also be divided into parish wards, so that each parish ward lies wholly within a single ward. We cannot recommend changes to the external boundaries of parishes as part of an electoral review.

46 Under the 2009 Act we only have the power to make changes to parish electoral arrangements where these are as a direct consequence of our recommendations for principal authority warding arrangements. However, Wychavon Borough Council has powers under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 to conduct community governance reviews to effect changes to parish electoral arrangements.

47 As a result of our proposed ward boundaries and having regard to the statutory criteria set out in schedule 2 to the 2009 Act, we are providing revised parish electoral arrangements for Badsey & Aldington, Broadway and Evesham parish councils.

48 We are providing revised parish electoral arrangements for Badsey & Aldington parishes.

Further draft recommendations

Badsey & Aldington Parish Council should comprise 13 councillors, as at present, representing four wards:

Parish ward	Number of parish councillors
Aldington Village	1
Badsey	10
Blackminster	1
Orchards	1

49 We are providing revised parish electoral arrangements for Broadway parish.

Further draft recommendations

Broadway Parish Council should comprise 13 councillors, as at present, representing two wards:

Parish ward	Number of parish councillors
Broadway North	2
Broadway Village	11

50 We are providing revised parish electoral arrangements for Evesham parish.

Further draft recommendations

Evesham Town Council should comprise 24 councillors, as at present, representing eight wards:

Parish ward	Number of parish councillors
Abbey	1
Evesham Avon	2
Bengeworth	5
Evesham South	5
Fairfield	1
Great Hampton	3
Little Hampton	5
Evesham Twyford	2

Have your say

51 The Commission has an open mind about its further draft recommendations. Every representation we receive will be considered, regardless of who it is from.

52 If you agree with our recommendations, please let us know. If you don't think our recommendations are right for Wychavon, we want to hear alternative proposals for a different pattern of wards.

53 Our website has a special consultation area where you can explore the maps and draw your own proposed boundaries. You can find it at www.consultation.lgbce.org.uk

54 Submissions can also be made by emailing reviews@lgbce.org.uk or by writing to:

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55 The Commission aims to propose a pattern of wards for Wychavon which delivers:

- Electoral equality: each local councillor represents a similar number of voters.
- Community identity: reflects the identity and interests of local communities.
- Effective and convenient local government: helping your council discharge its responsibilities effectively.

56 A good pattern of wards should:

- Provide good electoral equality, with each councillor representing, as closely as possible, the same number of voters.
- 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.

57 Electoral equality:

- Does your proposal mean that councillors would represent roughly the same number of voters as elsewhere in Wychavon?

58 Community identity:

- Community groups: is there a parish council, residents' association or other group that represents the area?
- 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?

59 Effective local government:

- Are any of the proposed wards too large or small to be represented effectively?
- Are the proposed names of the wards appropriate?
- Are there good links across your proposed wards? Is there any form of public transport?

60 Please note that the consultation stages of an electoral review are public consultations. In the interests of openness and transparency, we make available for public inspection full copies of all representations the Commission takes into account as part of a review. Accordingly, copies of all representations will be placed on our website at www.lgbce.org.uk. A list of respondents will be available from us on request after the end of the consultation period.

61 If you are a member of the public and not writing on behalf of a council or organisation we will remove any personal identifiers, such as postal or email addresses, signatures or phone numbers from your submission before it is made public. We will remove signatures from all letters, no matter who they are from.

62 In the light of representations received, we will review our further draft recommendations and consider whether they should be altered. As indicated earlier, it is therefore important that all interested parties let us have their views and evidence, **whether or not** they agree with the further draft recommendations. We will then publish our final recommendations.

63 After the publication of our final recommendations, the changes we have proposed must be approved by Parliament. An Order – the legal document which brings into force our recommendations – will be laid in draft in Parliament. The draft

Order will provide for new electoral arrangements to be implemented at the all-out elections for Wychavon in 2023.

Equalities

64 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 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

Further draft recommendations for the south of Wychavon Council

	Ward name	Number of councillors	Electorate (2021)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %	Electorate (2027)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %
1	Badsey & Aldington	1	2,367	2,367	0%	2,452	2,452	-4%
2	Bengeworth	2	4,894	2,447	3%	5,236	2,618	3%
3	Bredon	1	2,374	2,374	0%	2,481	2,481	-3%
4	Bretforton & Offenham	1	2,315	2,315	-2%	2,450	2,450	-4%
5	Broadway	1	2,468	2,468	4%	2,597	2,597	2%
6	Drakes Broughton, Norton & Whittington	2	4,703	2,352	-1%	5,443	2,722	7%
7	Eckington	1	2,302	2,302	-3%	2,414	2,414	-5%
8	Elmley Castle & Childswickham	1	2,510	2,510	6%	2,743	2,743	8%
9	Evesham North	2	4,466	2,233	-6%	5,005	2,503	-2%
10	Evesham South	2	4,500	2,250	-5%	4,709	2,355	-8%
11	Fladbury	1	2,459	2,459	4%	2,556	2,556	0%
12	Hampton	3	6,451	2,150	-9%	7,058	2,353	-8%

Ward name	Number of councillors	Electorate (2021)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %	Electorate (2027)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %
13 Honeybourne, Pebworth & The Littletons	2	4,730	2,365	0%	5,532	2,766	9%
14 Pershore	3	6,931	2,310	-2%	7,669	2,556	0%
15 South Bredon Hill	1	2,401	2,401	1%	2,499	2,499	-2%
16 Upton Snodsbury	1	2,248	2,248	-5%	2,375	2,375	-7%

Source: Electorate figures are based on information provided by Wychavon District 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

Submissions received

All submissions received can also be viewed on our website at:

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Local Authorities

- Wychavon District Council

Member of Parliament

- Harriet Baldwin MP (West Worcestershire)

Political Groups

- Droitwich Liberal Democrats
- Mid-Worcestershire Labour Party
- Mid-Worcestershire Liberal Democrats
- Mid-Worcestershire & the Vale Green Party
- Wychavon Conservative Group

Councillors

- Councillor R. Adams
- Councillor A. Aston
- Councillor S. Bateman
- Councillor D. Boatright
- Councillor C. Ellson-Evans
- Councillor M. Goodge
- Councillor J. Grady
- Councillor M. Hughes
- Councillor A. Mathias
- Councillor T. Miller
- Councillor R. Morris
- Councillor S. Rees
- Councillor L. Robinson
- Councillor L. Tucker
- Councillor N. Wright
- Collective District Councillors of the Droitwich wards

Local Organisations

- Doverdale Park Residents' Association

Parish & Town Councils

- Bredon & Bredon's Norton Parish Council
- Broadway Parish Council
- Eckington Parish Council
- Elmbridge Parish Council
- Elmley Castle, Bricklehampton & Netherton Parish Council
- Evesham Town Council
- Great Comberton Parish Meeting
- Hampton Lovett & Westwood Parish Council (2 submissions)
- Hartlebury Parish Council
- Hindlip, Martin Hussingtree & Salwarpe Parish Council
- Hinton on the Green & Aston Somerville Parish Council
- Honeybourne Parish Council
- Kington & Dormston Parish Council
- Little Comberton Parish Council
- Naunton Beauchamp Parish Council
- Norton juxta Kempsey Parish Council
- Offenham Parish Council
- Sedgeberrow Parish Council
- Stoulton Parish Council
- Upton Snodsbury Parish Council
- Whittington Parish Council

Petition

- 163 signatures, submitted by Peopleton Parish Council

Anonymous Submissions

- 2 anonymous submissions

Local Residents

- 126 local residents

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