

Wiltshire Council Information Item

Subject:	Electoral Review – Next Steps
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Following a public consultation from 28 August - 5 November 2018 the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (“The Commission”) has announced its proposals for a pattern of 98 electoral divisions across Wiltshire to apply from the next unitary elections in May 2021. The Commission received submissions from [Wiltshire Council](#), many town and parish councils and other interested individuals in developing its proposals.

The draft recommendations of the Commission, along with the submissions it received, can be accessed via [their website](#) at the following [link](#). In some areas the proposals are significantly different to the Wiltshire Council proposals.

The Commission has launched a further consultation to receive comments regarding its proposals, which will run from 5 February – 15 April 2019. **This will be the final opportunity for any parties to comment upon the proposals.**

Next Steps

The [Electoral Review Committee](#) of Wiltshire Council is considering the draft recommendations of the Commission and will be recommending a course of action for Full Council.

The Committee encourages any member of the public, any town or parish council, and any other parties, to respond to the consultation via the Commission’s website and to reviews@lgbce.org.uk.

The Committee would also be happy to receive any such comments to help inform its own deliberations.

Final Stage

In July 2019 the final recommendations of the Commission will be published. At this stage they will no longer be able to be amended – a draft order will be prepared for laying in Parliament, where the recommendations may be accepted or rejected, but not amended.