

DOCUMENT 4 - STATISTICAL NEIGHBOURS

Local Authority	Type of Authority	Population (ONS mid 2016 estimates)	Geographic Area (square km) ONS	People per square km	Number of Councillors	Number of Wards	Multi member divisions	Electors (1 Dec 2016)	Average elector per councillor	Recent Boundary Commission Recommendations
Cheshire East	UA	376,695	1166	323	82	52	Y	296,368	3614	No change in numbers of councillors since creation
Central Bedfordshire	UA	278,937	716	390	59	31	Y	205,961	3491	Not reviewed since creation
Shropshire Council	UA	313,373	3197	98	74	63	Y	240,412	2245	No change since creation of unitary
Cheshire West and Chester	UA	335,680	917	366	75	46	Y	264,798	3531	Draft recommendation to reduce to 70. This would increase the avg. number per elector to 3783, rising to 4027 in 2023.
Herefordshire Council	UA	189,309	2180	87	53	53	N	138,719	2617	Reduced from 58 in 2013
Bath and North East Somerset	UA	187,751	345.9	543	65	37	Y	134,037	2062	Ongoing - Commission minded to recommend 59 councillors, would increase avg electorate to 2257 in 2017 and 2367 in 2023
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	UA	337,696	2405	140	67	26	Y	260,403	3887	Last review 2000, no reduction from 67
North Somerset	UA	211,681	374	566	50	35	Y	161,880	3238	Reduced from 61 in 2014
Cornwall Council	UA	553,687	3546	156	123	122	N	408,453	3321	Reducing to 87 councillors. Avg. electors rising to 4891 now to 5163 in 2023
Bedford	UA	168,751	476	355	40	27	Y	128,199	3205	Increased from 36 to 40 in 2011
South Gloucestershire	UA	277,623	497	559	70	35	Y	210,251	3004	Ongoing - recommending reduction to 61 -avg electors 3451 now rising to 3773 in 2023
Northumberland County Council	UA	316,002	5014	63	67	66	N	235,556	3516	No change in numbers of councillors since creation
West Berkshire Council	UA	156,837	704.2	223	52	30	Y	120,464	2317	Ongoing - recommending reduction to 43, avg electorate increasing to 2825 in 2017, 3100 2023
City of York	UA	208,367	272	766	47	21	Y	147,099	3130	2014 review concluded no reduction from 47
Rutland	UA	38,606	382	101	26	16	Y	28,988	1115	Ongoing - increasing Cllrs by one to 27
Wiltshire Council	UA	488,409	3255	150	98	98	N	361,567	3689	Underway

Nearest statistical neighbours as identified at <http://www.cipfastats.net/resources/nearestneighbours/profile.asp?view=select&dataset=england>

Cornwall Council and Northumberland County Council each have have single member divisions with the exception of a single division.