

## Our recommendations:

The table lists all the divisions we are proposing as part of our final recommendations, along with the number of voters forecasted to be in each division in 2024.

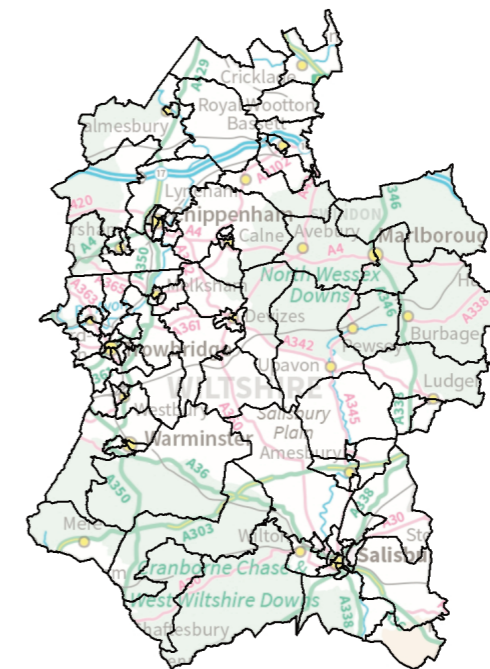
The table also shows the electoral variances for each of the proposed divisions, which tells you how we have delivered electoral equality.

Division Name:	No. of electors per councillor (2024)	Variance from average (%)	Division Name:	No. of electors per councillor (2024)	Variance from average (%)
Aldboune & Ramsbury	4,675	10%	Melksham Without North & Shurnhold	3,907	-8%
Alderbury & Whiteparish	4,665	10%	Melksham Without West & Rural	3,845	-10%
Amesbury East & Bulford	4,597	8%	Mere	3,875	-9%
Amesbury South	4,176	-2%	Minety	4,117	-3%
Amesbury West	4,593	8%	Nadder Valley	3,811	-10%
Avon Valley	4,253	0%	Old Sarum & Lower Bourne Valley	4,805	13%
Bowerhill	3,990	-6%	Pewsey	4,161	-2%
Box & Colerne	4,171	-2%	Pewsey Vale East	4,547	7%
Bradford-on-Avon North	4,301	1%	Pewsey Vale West	4,272	0%
Bradford-on-Avon South	4,357	2%	Purton	4,668	10%
Brinkworth	3,930	-8%	Redlynch & Landford	3,877	-9%
Bromham, Rowde & Roundway	4,219	-1%	Royal Wootton Bassett East	4,015	-6%
By Brook	3,895	-9%	Royal Wootton Bassett North	4,461	5%
Calne Central	4,023	-6%	Royal Wootton Bassett South & West	4,724	11%
Calne Chilvestor & Abberd	4,109	-3%	Salisbury Bemerton Heath	4,167	-2%
Calne North	4,039	-5%	Salisbury Fisherton & Bemerton Village	4,510	6%
Calne Rural	4,363	2%	Salisbury Harnham East	4,218	-1%
Calne South	4,110	-2%	Salisbury Harnham West	4,320	1%
Chippenham Cepen Park & Derriards	4,187	3%	Salisbury Milford	4,436	4%
Chippenham Cepen Park & Hunters Moon	4,241	0%	Salisbury St Edmund's	4,381	3%
Chippenham Hardenhuish	4,157	-2%	Salisbury St Francis & Stratford	4,383	3%
Chippenham Hardens & Central	4,252	0%	Salisbury St Paul's	4,457	5%
Chippenham Lowden & Rowden	4,076	-4%	Sherston	4,727	11%
Chippenham Monkton	4,294	1%	Southwick	3,917	-8%
Chippenham Pewsham	4,030	-5%	The Lavingtons	3,977	-7%
Chippenham Sheldon	4,323	2%	Tidworth East & Ludgershall South	4,478	5%
Corsham Ladbrook	4,490	5%	Tidworth North & West	4,056	-5%
Corsham Pickwick	4,656	9%	Till Valley	4,308	1%
Corsham Without	4,159	-2%	Tisbury	3,847	-10%
Cricklade & Latton	4,245	0%	Trowbridge Adcroft	4,253	0%
Devizes East	4,469	5%	Trowbridge Central	4,550	7%
Devizes North	3,820	-10%	Trowbridge Drynham	4,086	-4%
Devizes Rural West	3,823	-10%	Trowbridge Grove	4,282	1%
Devizes South	4,158	-2%	Trowbridge Lambrok	4,242	0%
Downton & Ebble Valley	4,152	-2%	Trowbridge Park	4,681	10%
Durrington	3,971	-7%	Trowbridge Paxcroft	4,323	2%
Ethandune	3,965	-7%	Urchfont & Bishops Cannings	4,055	-5%
Fovant & Chalke Valley	3,805	-11%	Warminster Broadway	4,401	3%
Hilperton	3,941	-7%	Warminster East	4,634	8%
Holt	3,980	-7%	Warminster North & Rural	4,357	1%
Kington	4,307	1%	Warminster West	4,595	8%
Laverstock	4,658	9%	Westbury East	4,345	2%
Ludgershall North & Rural	4,363	2%	Westbury North	4,300	1%
Lyneham	4,167	-2%	Westbury West	4,652	9%
Malmesbury	4,724	11%	Wilton	4,119	-3%
Marlborough East	4,576	7%	Winsley & Westwood	4,112	-3%
Marlborough West	4,624	9%	Winterslow & Upper Bourne Valley	4,379	3%
Melksham East	4,183	-2%	Wylve Valley	4,009	-6%
Melksham Forest	4,196	-1%			
Melksham South	4,128	-3%			

**Average: 4,257**

# Wiltshire 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.

### Why Wiltshire?

- Wiltshire Council currently has high levels of electoral inequality: some councillors represent many more - or many fewer - voters than others.
- Therefore the value of your vote, in Wiltshire Council elections, varies depending on where you live in Wiltshire.
- We are seeking to improve levels of electoral equality for local voters

### 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 voters ('council size').
  - The names, number and boundaries of wards or electoral divisions.
  - The number of councillors for each ward or division.

### Our proposals:

- Wiltshire Council currently has 98 councillors. Based on the evidence we received, we recommend that **98 councillors** should serve the council in the future.
- We believe our final recommendations meet our statutory criteria to:
  - (1) Deliver electoral equality for voters.
  - (2) Reflect community interests and identities.
  - (3) Promote effective and convenient local government.

## Summary of our recommendations

We have made our final recommendations for electoral arrangements in Wiltshire after considering responses given to us by local people in three stages of consultation.

We examined proposals to reduce the total number of councillors for Wiltshire but decided that the size and nature of the county and the way in which the Council operates meant that the current total of 98 should be maintained. We also decided to maintain the pattern of every electoral division being represented by just one councillor, having heard opposition to the idea of larger divisions.

The boundaries of most divisions will change as there are some areas where, because a councillor represents many more people than in other areas, a person's vote can carry less weight. That inequality is likely to get much worse, according to the Council's advice on both ongoing and upcoming housing developments.

Almost 2,000 people wrote to us or signed local petitions, although there wasn't agreement between local people on our proposals or the steps to be taken by us to meet our statutory obligations.

Our final recommendations therefore represent a compromise by finding the best fit of those differing local opinions and legislative constraints. That compromise does not include an attempt to influence the political outcome of local elections.

We have made no changes to the extent of any town or parish, but in some areas we have had to make new provisions for the internal boundaries of town or parish council wards. In responses to our consultations, much reference was made to the extent of Wiltshire's local area boards. Our recommendations do not change local area boards and it is for Wiltshire Council to decide whether to change them in the future.

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](http://www.lgbce.org.uk).

Find out more: [consultation.lgbce.org.uk](http://consultation.lgbce.org.uk)

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

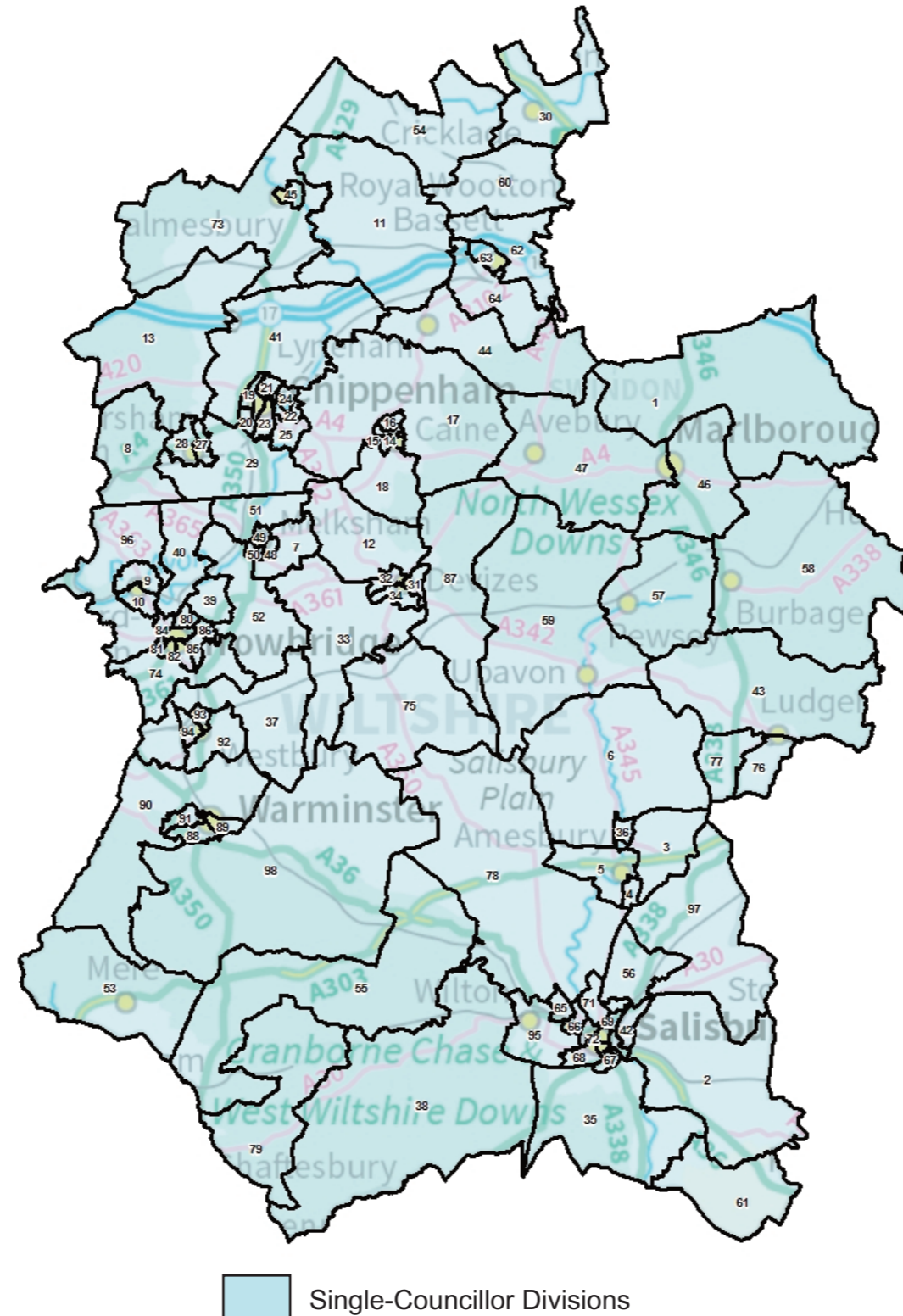
Stage of review	Description
28 AUGUST - 5 NOVEMBER 2018	Public consultation on new division boundaries
5 FEBRUARY - 15 APRIL 2019	Public consultation on draft recommendations
2 JULY - 29 JULY 2019	Further limited consultation
1 OCTOBER	Publication of final recommendations
MAY 2021	Subject to parliamentary approval - implementation of new arrangements at local elections

# Overview of final recommendations for Wiltshire Council

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## Key:

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|----|--------------------------------------|----|--|
| 1  | Aldbourne & Ramsbury                 | 51 | Melksham Without North & Shurnhold     |
| 2  | Alderbury & Whiteparish              | 52 | Melksham Without West & Rural          |
| 3  | Amesbury East & Bulford              | 53 | Mere                                   |
| 4  | Amesbury South                       | 54 | Minety                                 |
| 5  | Amesbury West                        | 55 | Nadder Valley                          |
| 6  | Avon Valley                          | 56 | Old Sarum & Lower Bourne Valley        |
| 7  | Bowerhill                            | 57 | Pewsey                                 |
| 8  | Box & Colerne                        | 58 | Pewsey Vale East                       |
| 9  | Bradford-on-Avon North               | 59 | Pewsey Vale West                       |
| 10 | Bradford-on-Avon South               | 60 | Purton                                 |
| 11 | Brinkworth                           | 61 | Redlynch & Landford                    |
| 12 | Bromham, Rowde & Roundway            | 62 | Royal Wootton Bassett East             |
| 13 | By Brook                             | 63 | Royal Wootton Bassett North            |
| 14 | Calne Central                        | 64 | Royal Wootton Bassett South & West     |
| 15 | Calne Chilvester & Abberd            | 65 | Salisbury Bemerton Heath               |
| 16 | Calne North                          | 66 | Salisbury Fisherton & Bemerton Village |
| 17 | Calne Rural                          | 67 | Salisbury Harnham East                 |
| 18 | Calne South                          | 68 | Salisbury Harnham West                 |
| 19 | Chippenham Cepen Park & Derriads     | 69 | Salisbury Milford                      |
| 20 | Chippenham Cepen Park & Hunters Moon | 70 | Salisbury St Edmund's                  |
| 21 | Chippenham Hardenhuish               | 71 | Salisbury St Francis & Stratford       |
| 22 | Chippenham Hardens & Central         | 72 | Salisbury St Paul's                    |
| 23 | Chippenham Lowden & Rowden           | 73 | Sherston                               |
| 24 | Chippenham Monkton                   | 74 | Southwick                              |
| 25 | Chippenham Pewsham                   | 75 | The Lavingtons                         |
| 26 | Chippenham Sheldon                   | 76 | Tidworth East & Ludgershall South      |
| 27 | Corsham Ladbrook                     | 77 | Tidworth North & West                  |
| 28 | Corsham Pickwick                     | 78 | Till Valley                            |
| 29 | Corsham Without                      | 79 | Tisbury                                |
| 30 | Cricklade & Latton                   | 80 | Trowbridge Adcroft                     |
| 31 | Devizes East                         | 81 | Trowbridge Central                     |
| 32 | Devizes North                        | 82 | Trowbridge Drynham                     |
| 33 | Devizes Rural West                   | 83 | Trowbridge Grove                       |
| 34 | Devizes South                        | 84 | Trowbridge Lambrok                     |
| 35 | Downton & Ebble Valley               | 85 | Trowbridge Park                        |
| 36 | Durrington                           | 86 | Trowbridge Paxcroft                    |
| 37 | Ethandune                            | 87 | Urchfont & Bishops Cannings            |
| 38 | Fovant & Chalke Valley               | 88 | Warminster Broadway                    |
| 39 | Hilperton                            | 89 | Warminster East                        |
| 40 | Holt                                 | 90 | Warminster North & Rural               |
| 41 | Kington                              | 91 | Warminster West                        |
| 42 | Laverstock                           | 92 | Westbury East                          |
| 43 | Ludgershall North & Rural            | 93 | Westbury North                         |
| 44 | Lyneham                              | 94 | Westbury West                          |
| 45 | Malmesbury                           | 95 | Wilton                                 |
| 46 | Marlborough East                     | 96 | Winsley & Westwood                     |
| 47 | Marlborough West                     | 97 | Winterslow & Upper Bourne Valley       |
| 48 | Melksham East                        | 98 | Wylve Valley                           |
| 49 | Melksham Forest                      |    |  |
| 50 | Melksham South                       |    |  |