

Area Board Boundary Review Briefing Note No. 20-30

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Background

Following the Electoral Review of Wiltshire Council, Electoral Divisions for the May 2021 elections no longer align to the boundaries for the Council's 18 Area Boards, which are based on Electoral Divisions.

It is therefore necessary for Full Council to agree new Area Board boundaries for implementation in May 2021.

Electoral Review Committee

At its meeting on 21 July 2020 Full Council delegated authority to the Electoral Review Committee to conduct a review of Area Board boundaries and prepare recommendations for its consideration.

The Committee met with the Members of each Area Board in July to discuss the incoming Electoral Divisions and their impact, including on potential Area Board boundaries.

At its meeting on 13 August 2020 the Committee agreed a set of proposals for Area Board boundaries to be consulted upon.

Consultation

A consultation will run from **10 September 2020 – 31 October 2020** on the <u>Draft</u> <u>Recommendations</u> of the Electoral Review Committee for Area Board boundaries to take effect for May 2021.

This briefing note will be circulated to all parishes and Members, and where an Area Board meets it will have the opportunity to be briefed on the proposals.

Online surveys have been prepared for people to respond to the proposals, as follows:

AmesburyBradford on AvonCalneChippenhamCorshamDevizesMalmesburyMarlboroughMelkshamPewsey

Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade
Salisbury
South East Wiltshire

<u>South West Wiltshire</u> <u>Tidworth</u>
<u>Trowbridge</u> <u>Warminster</u>

Westbury

Decision

The Committee will review all responses to the consultation and prepare Final Recommendations for consideration by Full Council on 24 November 2020.