

**To the Chair and Members of the
ELECTIONS AND DEMOCRATIC STRUCTURES COMMITTEE**

**BOUNDARY COMMISSION PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARY
REVIEW 2018 – REVISED PROPOSALS**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. This report provides an update to Members on the revised proposals for new 2018 Parliamentary constituency boundaries for Doncaster.

EXEMPT REPORT

2. Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATIONS

3. The Committee is asked to review the report for information only.

BACKGROUND

4. The Boundary Commission for England (BCE) has the task of periodically reviewing the boundaries of all the Parliamentary constituencies in England. They are currently conducting a review on the basis of rules set by Parliament in 2011. The rules state that they must make recommendations for new Parliamentary constituency boundaries in September 2018.
5. They result in a significant reduction in the number of constituencies in England from 533 to 501 with a reduction of 4 for our region; from 54 to 50 in Yorkshire and the Humber. It requires every constituency – apart from two specified exceptions – must have an electorate that is no smaller than 71,031 and no larger than 78,507 based on the electorate figures as of the 1st December 2015. At that time all three Doncaster constituencies were just below the required electorate and therefore changes are required in order to increase those constituencies to meet the required electorate size.
6. The BCE published their initial proposals on 13th September 2016 and welcomed the public to comment on them. The BCE reviewed those comments and published their revised proposals for the new Parliamentary constituency boundaries in England on 17th October 2017.

ORIGINAL AND REVISED PROPOSALS

7. Doncaster Central Constituency

Revised Proposals

Doncaster Central BC		Electorate: 72,729
Armthorpe	Doncaster	10,384
Balby South	Doncaster	7,028
Bessacarr	Doncaster	10,961
Edenthorpe & Kirk Sandall	Doncaster	7,845
Hexthorpe & Balby North	Doncaster	6,751
Stainforth & Barnby Dun	Doncaster	7,069
Town	Doncaster	10,517
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- There are no revisions made to the original proposal that the existing Doncaster Central constituency only be changed by the inclusion within it of the divided ward of Stainforth & Barnby Dun from the existing Doncaster North constituency.

8. Don Valley Constituency

Revised Proposals

Don Valley CC		Electorate: 74,947
Conisbrough	Doncaster	11,443
Edlington & Warmsworth	Doncaster	7,729
Finningley	Doncaster	12,233
Hatfield	Doncaster	11,324
Mexborough	Doncaster	11,263
Rossington & Bawtry	Doncaster	12,842
Tickhill & Wadworth	Doncaster	8,113

Initial Proposals

Doncaster East CC		Electorate: 71,593
Bentley	Doncaster	12,121
Finningley	Doncaster	12,233
Hatfield	Doncaster	11,324
Norton & Askern	Doncaster	10,922
Rossington & Bawtry	Doncaster	12,842
Thorne & Moorends	Doncaster	12,151

- There is no longer a change of name to the current Don Valley constituency to Doncaster East.

- There have been revisions made to the initial proposed wards contained within Don Valley, which now closely match with the existing pattern of the current constituency. The divided ward of Thorne and Moorends has moved to Doncaster North and the ward of Mexborough is now included within Don Valley constituency from the current Doncaster North constituency.

9. **Doncaster North Constituency**

Revised Proposals

Doncaster North CC		Electorate: 71,786
Dearne South	Barnsley	8,195
Adwick le Street & Carcroft	Doncaster	11,142
Bentley	Doncaster	12,121
Norton & Askern	Doncaster	10,922
Roman Ridge	Doncaster	8,390
Sprotbrough	Doncaster	8,865
Thorne & Moorends	Doncaster	12,151

Initial Proposals

Doncaster West CC		Electorate: 74,312
Dearne North	Barnsley	7,367
Adwick le Street & Carcroft	Doncaster	11,142
Conisbrough	Doncaster	11,443
Edlington & Warmsworth	Doncaster	7,729
Mexborough	Doncaster	11,263
Roman Ridge	Doncaster	8,390
Sprotbrough	Doncaster	8,865
Tickhill & Wadworth	Doncaster	8,113

- There is no longer a change of name to the current Doncaster North constituency to Doncaster West.
- There have been revisions made to the initial proposed wards contained within Doncaster North. Two wards have moved from the current constituency; the ward of Mexborough to the Don Valley constituency and the divided ward of Stainforth & Barnby Dun to Doncaster Central constituency. The divided ward of Thorne and Moorends has moved within the Doncaster North constituency from the current Don Valley constituency and it now contains Dearne South ward rather than Dearne North ward from the Borough of Barnsley.

The full review

10. For further information regarding the full review please visit the Boundary Commission's website:
<https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/2018-review/>
 Or view the proposals at the Civic Office, Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council, Waterdale, Doncaster DN1 3BU.

Have your say

11. The BCE are consulting on their Revised Proposals for an eight week period, from 17th October to 11th December 2017. You can have your say on the revised proposals by using the BCE's specifically-designed consultation website at www.bce2018.org.uk

12. You can also follow the Boundary Commission on Twitter [@BCE2018](#) or use the hashtag [#2018boundaryreview](#) or on facebook at: www.facebook.com/BCommEngland

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

13. There are comprehensive statutory provisions covering the delivery of Boundary changes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

14. At this stage it is unknown if there will be any financial implications.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

<https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/2018-review/>

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