

Our Recommendations

The table lists all the wards we are proposing as part of our final recommendations along with the number of electors in each ward. The table also shows the electoral variances for each of the proposed wards which tells you how we have delivered electoral equality. Finally, the table includes electorate projections for 2029 so you can see the impact of the recommendations for the future.

Ward name	Electorate (2023)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %	Electorate (2029)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %
Airedale	10,903	3,634	-12%	11,805	3,935	-10%
Baildon	12,070	4,023	-2%	12,988	4,329	-1%
Bingley East	13,405	4,468	9%	15,015	5,005	14%
Bingley West	12,556	4,185	2%	13,313	4,438	1%
Bolton & Undercliffe	12,024	4,008	-3%	12,462	4,154	-5%
Bowling & Barkerend	13,674	4,558	11%	14,468	4,823	10%
Bradford Moor	12,942	4,314	5%	13,418	4,473	2%
City	13,047	4,349	6%	13,896	4,632	6%
Clayton & Fairweather Green	11,992	3,997	-3%	12,557	4,186	-4%
Eccleshill	12,911	4,304	5%	13,991	4,664	7%
Great Horton	11,809	3,936	-4%	12,413	4,138	-5%
Heaton & Frizinghall	12,436	4,145	1%	13,607	4,536	4%
Holme Wood & Bierley	12,328	4,109	0%	13,250	4,417	1%
Idle & Thackley	13,344	4,448	8%	14,148	4,716	8%
Ilkley & Addingham	13,206	4,402	7%	13,794	4,598	5%
Keighley Central	12,280	4,093	0%	12,822	4,274	-2%
Keighley East	12,462	4,154	1%	12,933	4,311	-1%
Keighley West	11,714	3,905	-5%	12,383	4,128	-6%
Little Horton	12,077	4,026	-2%	12,691	4,230	-3%
Manningham	13,152	4,384	7%	13,810	4,603	5%
Queensbury	11,434	3,811	-7%	11,969	3,990	-9%
Royds	11,482	3,827	-7%	12,018	4,006	-8%
Shipley	11,502	3,834	-7%	12,683	4,228	-3%
Thornton & Allerton	12,565	4,188	2%	13,619	4,540	4%
Toller	13,055	4,352	6%	13,517	4,506	3%
Wharfedale	11,496	3,832	-7%	13,383	4,461	2%
Wibsey & Odsal	11,492	3,831	-7%	12,238	4,079	-7%
Windhill & Wrose	11,413	3,804	-7%	11,990	3,997	-9%
Worth Valley	13,803	4,601	12%	14,453	4,818	10%
Wyke	11,550	3,850	-6%	12,117	4,039	-8%
Totals	370,124	-	-	393,754	-	-
Averages	-	4,112	-	-	4,375	-

Bradford 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.

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

Why Bradford?

- The Commission has a legal duty to carry out an electoral review of each council in England 'from time to time'.
- Bradford Council has not been reviewed since 2003 and the Commission has therefore decided that it should review Bradford in advance of the elections in 2026.

Our proposals

- Bradford Council currently has 90 councillors. Based on the evidence we received, we recommend that 90 councillors should serve the council in the future.
- We believe our final recommendations meet our statutory criteria to:
 1. Deliver electoral equality for electors
 2. Reflect community interests and identities
 3. Promote effective and convenient local government

Summary of our recommendations

We have considered all the submissions we received during our consultation on our draft recommendations.

The final recommendations propose that Bradford should have 90 councillors, the same as there are now.

Bradford should have 30 wards, the same as there are now.

The 90 councillors should represent 30 three-councillor wards across the city.

An outline of the proposals is shown in the map to the right.

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<https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/bradford>

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

Stage of Review	Description
27 June 2023 - 4 September 2023	Public consultation on warding arrangements
28 November 2023 - 5 February 2024	Public consultation on draft recommendations
3 December 2024	Publication of final recommendations
May 2026	Subject to parliamentary approval - implementation of new arrangements at local elections

Overview of final recommendations for Bradford Council

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