#### **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 %
Almondbury	13,441	4,480	-2%	14,463	4,821	-5%
Ashbrow	14,194	4,731	3%	16,544	5,515	9%
Batley East	13,144	4,381	-4%	15,364	5,121	1%
Batley West	13,357	4,452	-3%	14,711	4,904	-3%
Birstall & Birkenshaw	13,983	4,661	2%	14,874	4,958	-2%
Cleckheaton	13,513	4,504	-2%	15,121	5,040	0%
Colne Valley East	14,410	4,803	5%	15,552	5,184	3%
Colne Valley West	13,131	4,377	-5%	14,448	4,816	-5%
Crosland Moor	12,438	4,146	-10%	14,671	4,890	-3%
Dalton	13,259	4,420	-4%	14,570	4,857	-4%
Denby Dale	13,371	4,457	-3%	14,808	4,936	-2%
Dewsbury East	14,159	4,720	3%	15,819	5,273	4%
Dewsbury South	12,991	4,330	-6%	14,780	4,927	-2%
Dewsbury West	12,923	4,308	-6%	14,328	4,776	-5%
Greenhead	15,308	5,103	11%	16,750	5,583	10%
Heckmondwike	13,202	4,401	-4%	13,812	4,604	-9%
Holme Valley North	13,447	4,482	-2%	14,578	4,859	-4%
Holme Valley South	15,250	5,083	11%	16,554	5,518	9%
Kirkburton	13,103	4,368	-5%	14,536	4,845	-4%
Lindley	14,772	4,924	7%	16,052	5,351	6%
Liversedge & Gomersal	14,309	4,770	4%	15,404	5,135	2%
Mirfield	15,756	5,252	14%	16,695	5,565	10%
Netherton & Newsome	13,050	4,350	-5%	14,189	4,730	-6%
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# December 2024

**Summary Report** 

The full report and detailed maps: <a href="https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/kirklees">https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/kirklees</a>

# Kirklees 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 Kirklees?

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

## Our proposals

- Kirklees Council currently has 69 councillors. Based on the evidence we received, we recommend that 69 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 of the submissions we received during our consultation on our draft and further draft recommendations.

The final recommendations propose that Kirklees Council should have 69 councillors, the same as there are now.

Kirklees Council should have 23 wards, the same as there are now. The boundaries of most wards should change.

The 69 councillors should represent 23 three-councillor wards across the borough.

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

#### Find out more at

### https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/kirklees

- 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		
26 September 2023 - 4 December 2023	Public consultation on warding arrangements		
27 February 2024 - 6 May 2024	Public consultation on draft recommendations		
30 July 2024 - 10 September 2024	Limited further consultation on draft recommendations		
10 December 2024	Publication of final recommendations		
May 2026	Subject to parliamentary approval - implementation of new arrangements at local elections		

# Overview of final recommendations for Kirklees Council

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