

Our Recommendations

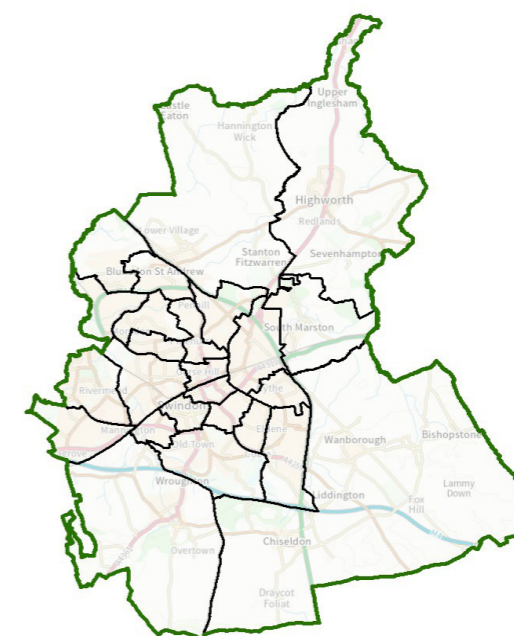
The table lists all the wards we are proposing as part of our final recommendations along with the number of electors in each ward. The table also shows the electoral variances for each of the proposed wards which tells you how we have delivered electoral equality. Finally, the table includes electorate projections for 2030 so you can see the impact of the recommendations for the future.

Ward name	Number of councillors	Electorate (2023)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %	Electorate (2030)	Number of electors per councillor	Variance from average %
Badbury Park, Eldene & Liden	3	8,246	2,749	-6%	8,457	2,819	-9%
Blunsdon	1	2,513	2,513	-14%	3,227	3,227	4%
Broadgreen	2	5,965	2,983	2%	6,115	3,058	-2%
Chiseldon & Ridgeway	2	4,298	2,149	-26%	6,817	3,409	10%
Covingham & Nythe	2	6,510	3,255	11%	6,542	3,271	5%
Gorse Hill	1	3,139	3,139	7%	3,251	3,251	5%
Haydon Wick	3	9,094	3,031	4%	9,118	3,039	-2%
Highworth	2	6,540	3,270	12%	6,962	3,481	12%
Kingshill	2	5,661	2,831	-3%	5,700	2,850	-8%
Lower Stratton	3	8,833	2,944	1%	9,016	3,005	-3%
Lydiard, Freshbrook & Toothill	3	9,826	3,275	12%	9,827	3,276	5%
Old Town & Lawn	3	9,706	3,235	11%	9,821	3,274	5%
Parks	2	6,699	3,350	15%	6,823	3,412	10%
Penhill & Pinehurst	2	6,732	3,366	15%	6,837	3,419	10%
Priory Vale	3	8,605	2,868	-2%	8,611	2,870	-8%
Queen's Park	3	7,648	2,549	-13%	8,615	2,872	-8%
Rodbourne Cheney	2	5,987	2,994	2%	5,999	3,000	-4%
Rodbourne Ferndale & Western	3	9,091	3,030	4%	9,145	3,048	-2%
Shaw & Westlea	3	9,488	3,163	8%	9,529	3,176	2%
South Marston	1	785	7,85	-73%	2,831	2,831	-9%
St Andrews East	2	5,909	2,955	1%	6,090	3,045	-2%
St Andrews West & Tadpole	2	6,793	3,397	16%	6,794	3,397	9%
Upper Stratton	2	6,240	3,120	7%	6,437	3,219	4%
Walcot	2	5,562	2,781	-5%	5,923	2,962	-5%
Wroughton & Wichelstowe	3	6,683	2,228	-24%	8,741	2,914	-6%
Totals	57	166,553	-	-	177,228	-	-
Averages	-	-	2,922	-	-	3,109	-

Swindon Borough 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 Swindon?

- Swindon Borough Council currently has high levels of electoral inequality: some councillors represent many more - or many fewer - electors than others.
- We are seeking to improve levels of electoral equality for local e

Our proposals

- Swindon Borough Council currently has 57 councillors. Based on the evidence we received, we recommend that 57 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 Swindon should have 57 councillors, the same as there are now.

Swindon should have 25 wards, an increase of 5. The boundaries of most of the existing wards should change. One will stay the same.

The 57 councillors should represent 10 three-councillor wards, 12 two-councillor wards and 3 single-councillor wards across the borough.

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

Find out more at

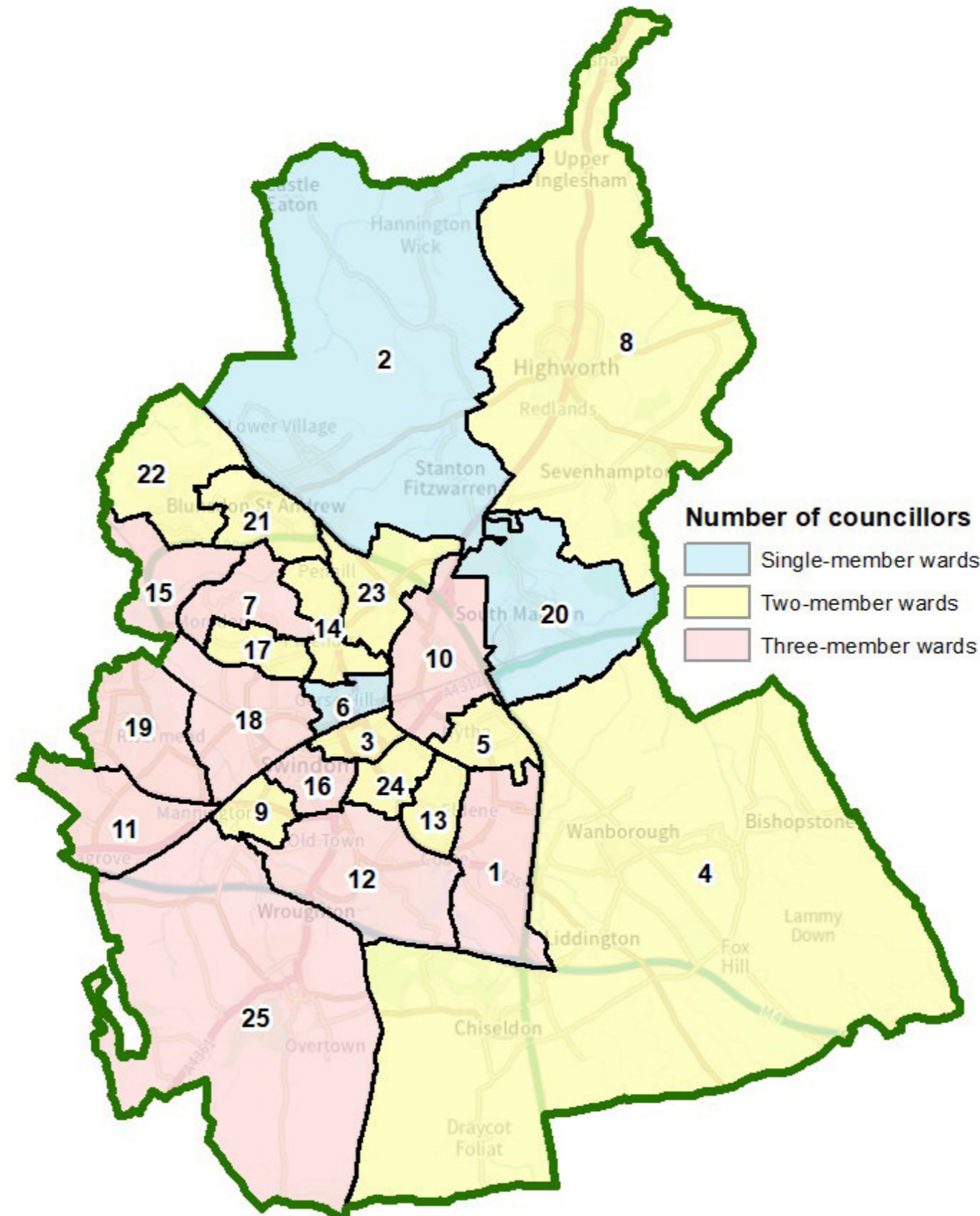
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- view the map of our recommendations down to street level.
- zoom into the areas that interest you most.
- read the full report of our recommendations.
- find more guidance on the review process

Stage of Review	Description
9 January - 18 March 2025	Public consultation on warding arrangements
9 July - 16 September 2024	Public consultation on draft recommendations
4 February 2025	Publication of final recommendations
May 2026	Subject to parliamentary approval - implementation of new arrangements at local elections

Overview of final recommendations for Swindon Borough Council

View this map online and explore it in more detail at:
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- 21 St Andrews East
- 22 St Andrews West & Tadpole
- 23 Upper Stratton
- 24 Walcot
- 25 Wroughton & Wichelstowe