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Attached is the remaining part of NYC's submission. I hope this makes sense and is helpful.

In finalising this, we noticed two minor issues with the GIS file I'd sent (one polling district and one part of a polling district out of place). I'm just confirming with our mapping team that they've amended it and will send you a revised one. Neither has a major effect on the numbers. Sorry for that.

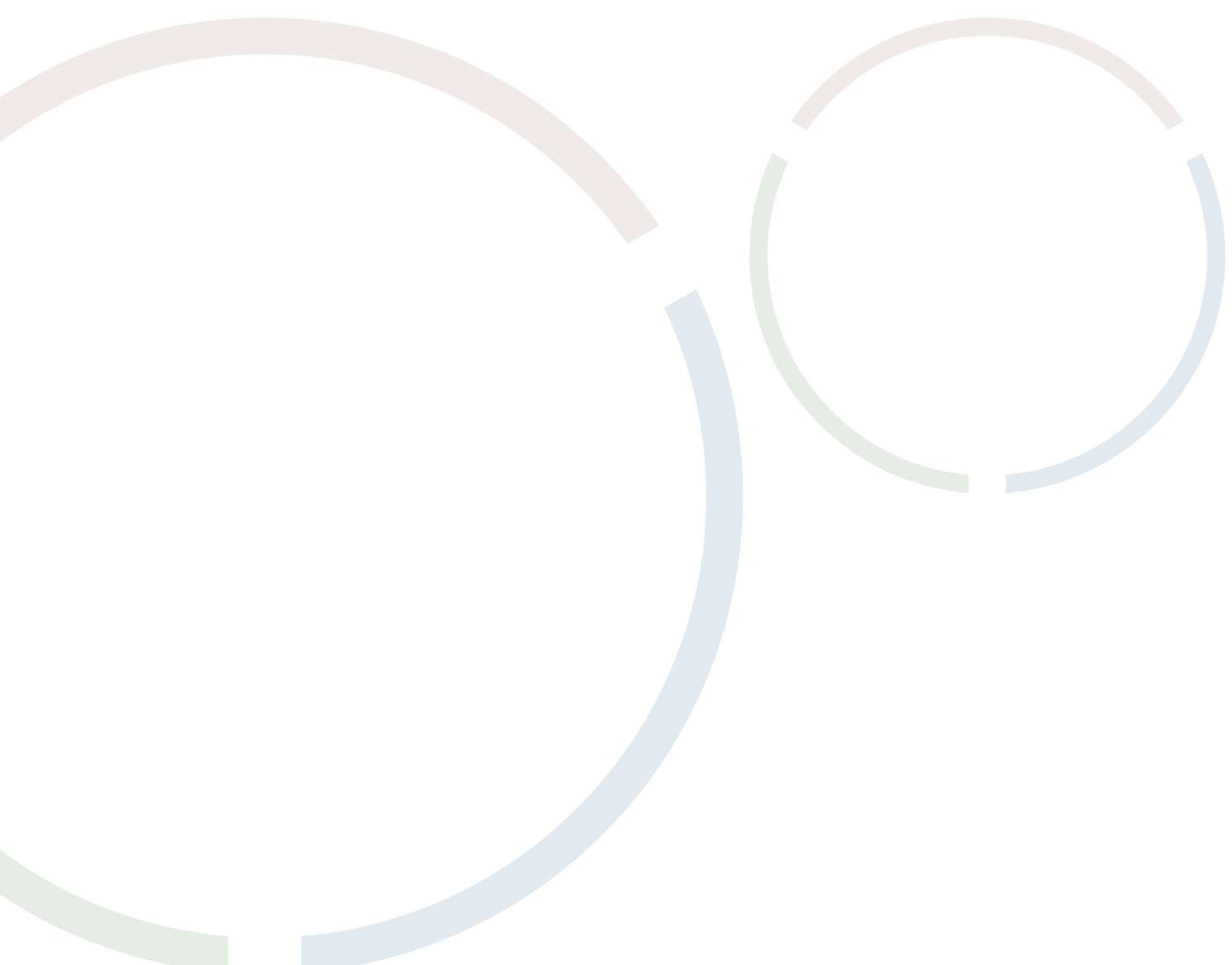
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North Yorkshire Council Boundary Review 2024

Division Proposal Report to LGBCE



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Section 1 - Introduction

1. North Yorkshire Council is to ensure that the Boundary Review produces electoral arrangements that:
 - enable the Council to deliver public services effectively and efficiently;
 - allow an even division of Councillors' workloads;
 - reflect the interests and identities of North Yorkshire's communities;
 - give electors a fair (broadly equal) say in the Council's decision-making and resource allocation.
2. This report sets out in detail the Council's proposals for division boundaries, along with the approach taken in developing those proposals. The proposals were approved for submission by the Council's Executive on 19 November - <https://edemocracy.northyorks.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=22485>
3. The rest of this report is structured as follows:
 - Section 2 outlines the Council's approach to develop its proposals.
 - Section 3 provides a table of electoral statistics for each proposed division, including which polling districts are included, the forecast electorate number and the variance from the average.
 - Section 4 gives a description of the characteristics and considerations for each district.
 - A GIS file will also be sent to the Boundary Commission providing the boundaries.

Section 2 – Approach

4. A Member Working Group was established at the start of the process, to ensure that the process was led by and fully informed by the views of existing Councillors. The group's role was to lead on the preparation of the Council's submission, and to coordinate and involve other members in the development of recommendations to Executive and Full Council.
5. The Working Group has been keen to ensure that the model proposed will be sustainable to avoid the need for another Boundary Review within the immediate future. To ensure sustainability and a model which works well for North Yorkshire, the group worked to the following principles:
 - That, as far as possible, the forecast electorate numbers for each division should start within 10% variance of the average, and that most should be well within this. This meant that each division should ideally represent around 5819 electors, no less than 5237 and no more than 6401.

- That division boundaries should not divide communities which identify as a single area where it is possible to avoid this.
 - That it should be possible to access each residence within a division by road without having to leave that division.
 - That, as far as possible, urban areas should be in different divisions to rural areas to reflect the different nature of issues and work for the Councillors.
6. To allow the large area of North Yorkshire to be considered in manageable units, the existing Area Committee areas were considered individually initially. Based on the forecast electorate, it was agreed that the following numbers of divisions would be identified in each area:
- Richmond – 15
 - Scarborough and Whitby – 14
 - Thirsk and Malton – 15
 - Selby – 15
 - Harrogate and Knaresborough – 15
 - Skipton and Ripon – 15
7. The Working Group initially looked at achieving numerical equality by moving the boundaries of existing divisions to add or remove polling district areas from neighbouring divisions. Whilst this allowed logical and equally sized divisions in some areas, there required a greater degree of change to some boundaries. The initial proposals were mapped by Officers in the GIS (Geographical Information Systems) team, with the predicted electorate calculated for each division. These were then reviewed by the group, who suggested further amendments. Where it was necessary to split existing polling divisions, the Working Group recommended roughly how many electors should be moved into a division, and GIS and Electoral Services Officers looked at where a boundary would need to move to, to achieve that number.
8. Once a numerically appropriate pattern was identified, the Working Group then considered if this was logical based on the local knowledge of how communities identify with the places around them and the physical topography of the area to ensure the feasibility of a single member representing the whole area.
9. It was recognised in this process that the calculation of the number of electors being moved when a polling district was split could not be a precise exercise. The locations of existing electors, along with the known future development used to forecast future electors, were used to estimate the effect of moving the boundaries. However, this does not take into account the total of all growth forecast, with the locations of many future dwellings unknown. Despite this possibility of minor inaccuracies, it is not thought that it will have a material effect on the logic of the Divisions proposed.

10. Finally, the names of the divisions were considered to ensure they continued to reflect the places within their boundaries.
11. Overall, the vast majority of divisions are proposed to change. This reflects that the previous review followed a different set of parameters, looking at district wards as building blocks and requiring the variance to be within 30%. It has, therefore, required a significant amount of change to achieve better electoral equality.

Section 3 – Summary of the Proposals

12. The table attached below lists the proposed new divisions, with the polling districts which would fall within each area, the predicted electorate for 2030, and the variance from the average electorate.



Electorate forecast
and variance.xlsx

Section 4 – Division Proposals

Harrogate and Knaresborough Area

13. A significant challenge was that the divisions of Harrogate town were generally too large. Significant remodelling of the boundaries and moving some polling districts into surrounding areas has been necessary. Boroughbridge has also been moved to a new division with elements of the existing Wathvale and Bishop Monkton division (in Skipton and Ripon) to create greater equality of size across the current Area Committee areas.
14. The central divisions are collectively co-terminus with the proposed Town Council.

Proposed Division Name	Bilton & Nidd Gorge	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5492	-5.95%
Summary of changes	This consists of the polling districts of HKAA - Harrogate Bilton Woodfield and part of HKAB - Harrogate Old Bilton, with the rest moving to Bilton Grange & Knox. This has the effect of reducing the size of the division by 666 electors.	
Rationale	The houses that move out of this division and into Bilton Grange and Knox enable there to be two 'Bilton' seats that are within	

	<p>numbers. This keeps the recognised community of Bilton separate to the rest of the town.</p> <p>The move of these houses to the north of Knox Lane into Bilton Grange and Knox fit well within Bilton Grange and Knox, as they are as connected to Knox Avenue to the south.</p>
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Proposed Division Name	Bilton Grange & Knox	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5718	-1.77%
Summary of changes	This includes the three polling districts within Bilton Grange and New Park, minus part of Harrogate New Park 2, and including part of Harrogate Old Bilton, as above. Part of Harrogate Coppice Valley is also included. This has the effect of reducing the size of the division by 424 electors.	
Rationale	In addition to the move of houses from Bilton and Nidd Gorge above, the areas removed (New Park) are areas that have traditionally not identified as Bilton so it makes sense that these are the areas moved.	

Proposed Division Name	Knaresborough East	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5444	-6.88%
Summary of changes	This represents the southern half of the current Boroughbridge and Claro division, with the addition of the south of the current Knaresborough East division and part of Knaresborough Castle polling district. This has the effect of reducing the division by 1494 electors.	
Rationale	The urban area of this ward matches the previous Knaresborough East ward of Harrogate Borough Council (HBC) (up to 2018). The villages to the East of Knaresborough are added to achieve electoral equality. These villages consider themselves 'Knaresborough' villages.	

Proposed Division Name	High Harrogate
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Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5730	-1.55%
Summary of changes	This represents a new division formed from the remainder of Coppice Valley, alongside part of the High Harrogate and Harrogate Central polling districts.	
Rationale	By adding in parts of Coppice Valley to the areas of High Harrogate west of the A59, it creates an urban ward just to the north of the town centre, based around Kings Road and the railway line. This is an area that has traditionally being together in previous HBC and North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) elections.	

Proposed Division Name	Starbeck	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5403	-7.71%
Summary of changes	This represents the Starbeck polling district of the current Starbeck and Fairfax division, with the addition of northern parts of Harrogate Kingsley 1 and 2 polling districts from Kingsley Road and Kingsley Drive.	
Rationale	With the exception of new development, this division matches the former Starbeck division of NYCC. Moving the boundary from the railway line to Kingsley/Wedderburn brings it in line with the welcome to 'Starbeck' road signs. This area considers itself as Starbeck.	

Proposed Division Name	Harlow	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5871	0.89%
Summary of changes	This represents the current division of Harlow and St Georges, with the removal of houses around Swinton Court and Harlow Oval, and the removal of the Rossett school area of St Georges.	
Rationale	These changes create a division that is the recognised community of Harlow Hill. The properties moved to Low Harrogate leave a neater boundary along Otley Road.	

Proposed Division Name	Granby	
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Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5875	0.95%
Summary of changes	This represents the central section of the current High Harrogate and Kingsley division, and part of Fairfax.	
Rationale	This links the communities on either side of the A59 which until 2018 formed the HBC ward of Granby. The area of High Harrogate area east of A59 up to the railway line has been included to ensure electoral equality but also represent areas historically recognised as Granby. This area includes Harrogate High School (previously known as Harrogate Granby) and the Granby care home (formally the Granby Hotel.)	

Proposed Division Name	Lower Nidderdale	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6019	3.32%
Summary of changes	This brings together Killinghall with the current southeast section of Masham and Fountains.	
Rationale	This proposal creates a ward based on parished area of Harrogate constituency (Killinghall Parish and Hampsthwaite parish), leaving the currently unparished (soon to be Harrogate Town Council) area separate. The villages added in from Masham and Fountains have been moved to ensure electoral equality, and are villages that consider themselves part of the wider area of Harrogate.	

Proposed Division Name	Knaresborough Scriven	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6255	6.97%
Summary of changes	This joins the western part of the current Boroughbridge and Claro division, removing Boroughbridge with the northern part of the current Knaresborough East Division.	
Rationale	Knaresborough is too big for a single division This proposal is largely based on the former HBC ward of Harrogate Scriven Park, which represented the northern part of the town up to Boroughbridge Road. Boroughbridge is better aligned to the area around it and has been removed. The rest of the Claro villages that fit neatly with this part of the town have been added and consider themselves Knaresborough villages.	

Proposed Division Name	Knaresborough Castle	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5412	-7.52%
Summary of changes	This represents the current Knaresborough West division, with the removal of the area around St John's which has moved into Knaresborough East.	
Rationale	This helps to balance the size of the two Knaresborough divisions and is based largely on the old HBC ward of Knaresborough King James. The effect is an urban Knaresborough division that is an identifiable community.	

Proposed Division Name	Oatlands & Rossett	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5837	0.30%
Summary of changes	This represents the northern part of the current Oatlands and Pannal division with the addition of the Rossett School area. It removes Pannal village, and gains an area around Tewit Well Road.	
Rationale	This aligns Rossett School with Ashville College, reuniting Rossett as a whole. It was felt logical that Pannal Ash and Rossett Green were connected and related, whilst Pannal village is broadly separated along Church Lane and is distinct.	

Proposed Division Name	Stray & Woodlands	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5924	1.78%
Summary of changes	This largely follows the current Stray and Woodlands boundaries, with the removal of a small area around Tewit Well Road to the West.	
Rationale	Based largely on current division, the change was made to improve the electoral equality. The area removed associates more with Oatlands and the railway line is a more natural boundary than Leeds Road.	

Proposed Division Name	Low Harrogate	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5828	0.15%
Summary of changes	This follows similar boundaries to the current Valley Gardens and Central Harrogate division, with the removal of the area to the north around Franklin Road, and the addition of the houses on the corner of Harlow Moor Road and the B6162.	
Rationale	These changes support electoral equality, but also more logically align houses around Harlow Oval with Harlow Manor. This creates a town centre ward that has historically being together electorally and largely identifies as Low Harrogate.	

Proposed Division Name	Oakdale	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5771	-0.83%
Summary of changes	This represents the current Coppice Valley and Duchy division, with the removal of a small area to the west around Ingleborough Drive, and the addition of part of Harrogate New Park 2 and the whole of Saltergate polling districts.	
Rationale	This adds the distinctive Duchy part of town (around Oakdale golf club is!) to the Harrogate Town Council area of Saltergate. These were areas that were together in the NYCC ward of Saltergate (up to 2022).	

Proposed Division Name	Pannal & Lower Wharfedale	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6144	5.28%
Summary of changes	This aligns Pannal with the southern part of the current Washburn and Birstwith division.	
Rationale	This change is largely to increase the electorate within the Lower Wharfedale area. It is recognised that this has the effect of separating Pannal from Harrogate to a greater degree, however, it is already distinct village rather than a suburb. Pannal is similar in characteristics to other villages nearby such as Beckwithshaw and North Rigton. Washburn valley is a distinctive community but has more in common with Pannal than anywhere else.	

Richmond

15. The existing divisions are characterised by those around Richmond town being too large, with those in more rural areas being too small. The approach has therefore been to move some of the polling districts on the edge of the town into the surrounding divisions, and to rebalance the divisions within Northallerton. Bedale and Aiskew divisions have been brought together.

Proposed Division Name	Bedale & Aiskew	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5966	2.46%
Summary of changes	This adds the polling districts of Aiskew and Rand Grange to the previous Bedale division. This increases the size by 638 electors.	
Rationale	Aiskew and Bedale are joined as areas, through multiple infill estates, with the people of Aiskew recognising their connection to Bedale. This move separates Aiskew from Leeming Bar, but there is already natural separation by the A1 and the communities are distinct. Rand Grange is a small polling district previously in Aiskew and Leeming bar division, but it contains the well-known and well used Bedale Sports Club and Community Centre and is seen as part of Bedale.	

Proposed Division Name	Catterick Village & Crakehall	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5939	2.02%
Summary of changes	This brings together the northwest of the current Scotton and Lower Wensleydale division with Catterick Village polling district and the north of the current Aiskew and Leeming division.	
Rationale	This represents an area of villages that equally associate with and use the amenities of Bedale and Catterick Garrison.	

Proposed Division Name	Great Ayton	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average

	5867	0.81%
Summary of changes	This includes the current division of Great Ayton with the addition of Kirkby and Great and Little Broughton polling divisions.	
Rationale	Great Ayton needed to be made larger for electoral equality. The added polling districts represent just over 1000 electors and represent villages with a similar relationship to Stokesley as Great and Little Ayton.	

Proposed Division Name	Hipswell & Colburn	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6012	3.20%
Summary of changes	This reflects the current Hipswell and Colburn division with the removal of St Martins polling district.	
Rationale	The division covers Catterick Garrison and Colburn. This has a distinct identity. The area removed surrounds Richmond Station, which is commonly agreed to be part of Richmond as opposed to Catterick Garrison.	

Proposed Division Name	Hutton Rudby & Appleton Wiske	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5898	1.35%
Summary of changes	This includes the southern two-thirds of the current Hutton Rudby and Osmotherly division with the villages surrounding Appleton Wiske.	
Rationale	This is a relatively sparse area so will be a geographically larger division to achieve electoral equality. It represents villages on either side of the A19, to the east of the Hambleton Hills.	

Proposed Division Name	Leyburn & Lower Wensleydale	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5710	-1.90%
Summary of changes	This represents the current Leyburn and Middleham division, but with the removal of four polling districts to the northeast around Redmire and West Bolton, and the addition of the eastern half of the current Scotton and Lower Wensleydale division.	

Rationale	This proposal joins more of the communities between Bedale and Leyburn along the A684, whilst allowing the villages around Redmire to move into the Upper Dales division to make that larger. These villages relate as much to the Upper Dales as they to Lower Wensleydale.
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Proposed Division Name	Swale	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5954	2.27%
Summary of changes	This brings together the southeast part of the current Bedale division, with Leeming Bar and the central part of the current Morton-on-Swale & Appleton Wiske division.	
Rationale	This aligns the villages along the A1 to the south of Bedale, from Ainderby Quernhow to Exelby with RAF Leeming and the villages along the A684 between Leeming Bar and just before Romanby.	

Proposed Division Name	North Richmondshire	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5699	-2.11%
Summary of changes	This mirrors the current North Richmondshire division, with the addition of the East Cowton and South Cowton polling districts to the south, and the removal of Gilling, Aske, Middleton Tyas, Skeeby and Moulton. This reduces the size of the division by 955 electors.	
Rationale	The changing of the southern boundary is proposed to achieve better electorate equality, with the villages of Gilling, Aske, Middleton Tyas, Skeeby and Moulton more connected to Richmond than to the north. This reflects their identity.	

Proposed Division Name	Northallerton North & Brompton	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5368	-8.41%
Summary of changes	This largely mirrors the current division of the same name but removes some houses at the north of central Northallerton. This reduces the size of the division by 817 electors.	

Rationale	This supports the better alignment of those areas within the proposed Northallerton South division.
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Proposed Division Name	Northallerton South	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6093	4.50%
Summary of changes	This is the same as the current Northallerton South division with the addition of houses to the north of central Northallerton.	
Rationale	This creates better balance including the northern end of Northallerton high street and the hospital to group the main amenities.	

Proposed Division Name	Richmond & Gilling West	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5979	2.68%
Summary of changes	This aligns with the existing Richmond division but extending up to the A66. It removes the housing from Richmond School eastwards and adds the polling district of St Martins. This decreases the size of the division by 724 electors.	
Rationale	<p>Richmond is too big for a single division, so it is necessary to remove some areas. The two secondary schools already constitute a break between the residential areas.</p> <p>It is recognised, however, that the effect is that the schools are separated from the rest of the town.</p> <p>The addition of St Martins covers the area of Richmond Station, which is identified as part of Richmond, rather than the area of the garrison to the south.</p>	

Proposed Division Name	Romanby	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5832	0.22%

Summary of changes	This aligns the current Romanby division with the addition of Yafforth to the northwest and North and South Otterington to the South. This increases the size of the division by 774 electors.
Rationale	It is necessary to increase the size of the current Romanby division. Yafforth is very connected to Northallerton, as a key route into the town. North and South Otterington lie on the key route from the south towards Northallerton and identify closer to Northallerton than Thirsk. Members were comfortable that this reflects the local identity of the places.

Proposed Division Name	Stokesley	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5789	-0.52%
Summary of changes	This aligns Stokesley with the villages to the west, removing Kirby and Great and Little Broughton to the south.	
Rationale	This proposal achieves good electoral equality by aligning the villages to the west of Stokesley with the town. This is helpful in facilitating the Hutton Rudby and Appleton Wiske division to be the correct size. Whilst this does have the effect of separating Great Broughton and Kirby from Stokesley, these areas are similar to Great Ayton in being distinct from Stokesley whilst using its services.	

Proposed Division Name	Upper Dales	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5375	-8.27%
Summary of changes	This retains most of the boundaries of the current division with the addition of four polling districts around Redmire. This increases the size of the division by 698 electors.	
Rationale	It is necessary to increase the size of the division to get within a reasonable variance from the mean elector number. The addition of these polling districts creates a simpler eastern boundary, removing a previous "cut in". Members felt that these areas associated equally with the Upper Dales as with Leyburn, with two of the polling districts within the Yorkshire Dales National Park area.	

Proposed Division Name	Richmond East & Scotch Corner	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6023	3.39%
Summary of changes	This proposal extends the existing Catterick Village and Brompton on Swale division to include the area around Scotch Corner, whilst removing Catterick Village in the south.	
Rationale	The areas straddling the A1 to the north of Catterick have relationships to both Richmond and Catterick but associate closely with Richmond. This proposal references Scotch Corner which is well known and recognisable name for the area.	

Scarborough and Whitby

16. Some divisions that will form part of the new Scarborough Town Council are large in size, although it was thought likely that there was limited scope in the area for further development so they may not continue to grow significantly. The proposed boundaries around the new Town Council area are broadly coterminous with Town Council proposed wards. Significant growth in Eastfield has required a remodelling of that area to achieve a balance of divisions. The two Ruswarp polling districts had to be separated to ensure Whitby West is the correct size, but these each have different urban and rural characteristics.

Proposed Division Name	Castle	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6310	7.79%
Summary of changes	This largely represents the current Castle division, with the addition of the area around the University Campus.	
Rationale	This is an established area, mirroring the proposed Town Council Ward, and is an understood and recognised area.	

Proposed Division Name	Cayton	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5431	-7.15%

Summary of changes	This represents the existing Cayton division, with the addition of part of the Eastway 1 polling district. This increases the size of the division by 660 electors.
Rationale	Cayton required additional houses to reach the required size. The additional area represents newer housing which has less established connection to Eastfield.

Proposed Division Name	Danby & Glaisdale	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5947	2.15%
Summary of changes	This takes the current Danby and Mulgrave division and adds the eastern half of the current Esk Valley and Coast Division. This creates a division 1784 electors larger than the current Danby and Glaisdale division.	
Rationale	The existing division of Danby and Mulgrave is too small. Combining it with half of the Esk Valley and Coast Division allows it to reach the required size, whilst uniting the Esk valley to the edge of Whitby.	

Proposed Division Name	Eastfield	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5803	-0.28%
Summary of changes	This takes the existing Eastfield division and removes an area of housing to the southeast. This results in a reduction in size of 660 electors.	
Rationale	The current Eastfield division would be too big so it is necessary to remove some housing. As above, the area to the south of Eastway is newer housing which has as much as a connection to Cayton.	

Proposed Division Name	Esk Valley & The Coast	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5906	1.48%
Summary of changes	This division is based on the eastern part of the current Esk Valley and Coast division, with a section to the north removed, and the	

	northern parts of the current Derwent Valley and Moor, and Scalby and the Coast divisions added.
Rationale	This proposal brings together the areas along the coast between Scarborough and Whitby. This is an area of similar topography connected by the A171.

Proposed Division Name	Falsgrave & Stepney	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6231	6.61%
Summary of changes	This is close to the boundaries of the current Falsgrave and Stepney division, but with the removal of the north of Sandybed polling district, north of the A170. This reduces the size of the division by 436 electors.	
Rationale	Falsgrave and Stepney needed to be reduced in size. The area being removed is already connected with Woodlands and this helps to create a more straightforward boundary.	

Proposed Division Name	Newby	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5920	1.71%
Summary of changes	This is based on the existing Newby division with the addition of and area towards Scalby to the north. This increases the size of the division by 760 electors.	
Rationale	The communities of Scalby and Newby are already connected, with Newby and Scalby Primary School and Scalby School already within the Newby division. It is necessary to increase the size of the Newby division, so is logical that it includes areas of Scalby.	

Proposed Division Name	Northstead	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5992	2.89%
Summary of changes	This is the same as the current Northstead division.	
Rationale	This is an established and recognised area, which is close to the mean average division size.	

Proposed Division Name	Scalby & Derwent	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5729	-1.58%
Summary of changes	This joins the current Scalby division with the main western part of the current Derwent Valley and Moor division, with the exception of East Ayton and Harwood dale.	
Rationale	Both of the contributing areas needed to be increased in size. This brings together the areas of the Moors to the West of Scarborough.	

Proposed Division Name	Seamer & East Ayton	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5619	-3.57%
Summary of changes	This adds the polling district of East Ayton to the current Seamer division. This increases the size of the division by 1581 electors.	
Rationale	It is necessary to increase the size of the Seamer division. Seamer and East Ayton are directly connected by Seamer Road and have a similar relationship to Scarborough as one of the surrounding villages.	

Proposed Division Name	Weaponness & Ramshill	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6390	8.93%
Summary of changes	This is based on the current division, with the removal of the university campus area.	
Rationale	The division must be reduced in size. The university campus area is a distinct area and so is a logical area to move that to the neighbouring Castle division. The railway to the west of the campus prevents it moving to Falsgrave and Stepney.	

Proposed Division Name	Whitby Streonshalh	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5560	-4.66%

Summary of changes	This proposal extends the existing division to include Hawsker-Cum-Stainsacre, creating a division with an additional 621 electors.
Rationale	It is necessary to increase the size of the division. By adding in this polling district, it extends the division long the main road (A171) to include High and Low Hawkser. These villages have the post town of Whitby and would identify as Whitby villages.

Proposed Division Name	Whitby West	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5939	2.02%
Summary of changes	This is based on the current division of the same name, but with the Ruswarp 2 polling district removed. This reduces the size of the division by 499 electors.	
Rationale	It is necessary to reduce the size of this division. The Ruswarp 2 polling district is distinctly different in its nature, being a rural area separated by green space from the more urban Ruswarp 1 ward. It is felt, therefore, to have affinity with the characteristics of Esk Valley and the Coast.	

Proposed Division Name	Woodlands	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6098	4.58%
Summary of changes	This follows the current Woodlands division but with the addition of the north of the Sandybed polling district from Falsgrave and Stepney. This results in an increase of 435 electors.	
Rationale	This helps to create electoral equality for Falsgrave and Stepney. The area added is already related to Woodlands and creates a more straightforward boundary along Stepney Road.	

Selby

17. The divisions within Selby town had to be revised as they were currently too large. By aligning them with Barlby, three divisions are now proposed covering the centre of Selby. Sherburn was also too large and potentially likely to grow further. No alternative options were identified to splitting some of the north of Sherburn and moving it into Appleton Roebuck. It is recognised that this is not ideal, however, without doing so Sherburn would be too big for a single Division.

Proposed Division Name	Appleton Roebuck & Church Fenton	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6017	3.28%
Summary of changes	This extends the existing division with the addition of Stutton with Hazelwood 1 polling division to the West, and part of Sherburn in Elmet North to the South. It also removes Healaugh, Catterton and Bilbrough to the north. Overall, this increases the size of the division by 844 electors.	
Rationale	<p>The current division is too small. The addition of houses from Sherburn helps to reduce the size of Sherburn and increase the size of Appleton Roebuck and Church Fenton, whilst moving Healaugh, Catterton and Bilbrough into Ouseburn helps Ouseburn to reach the required size.</p> <p>The main concern is around dividing the north part of Sherburn and bringing it into this division. This is discussed below in reference to the Sherburn division.</p>	

Proposed Division Name	Barlby & Osgodby	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6290	7.49%
Summary of changes	This division joins the southern area of the current Barlby and Ricall division with an area on the west of Cliffe and North Duffield, the eastern half of Selby East, and Osgoby Ward.	
Rationale	<p>The area of Selby needs to be covered by three divisions, so the group looked at how the existing divisions covering Selby could be amended to achieve a better electoral balance.</p> <p>Moving Ricall into Cawood helps to increase the size of Cawood and Ricall. Aligning Barlby and Osgodby makes sense as although they are distinct places, they have a similar relationship and route into Selby. The division then continues down the A19/A63 corridor to the east of Selby. The college creates a break between the houses south of the Ouse.</p>	

Proposed Division Name	Brayton & Barlow	
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Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5699	-2.11%
Summary of changes	This is formed from the current Brayton and Barlow Division with the addition of Burn polling district to the south. The increases the size of the Division by 395.	
Rationale	This move is largely to achieve the electoral equality Burn and Brayton are connected along the A19 across the canal, and have a similar relationship to Selby.	

Proposed Division Name	Camblesforth & Carlton	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6025	3.43%
Summary of changes	This reflects the current division with the addition of Birkin and Beal to the west. This increase the size of the division by 719 electors.	
Rationale	This unites the communities along the River Aire to a greater extent, helping to achieve electoral equality. These communities identify as closely with the area to the west as they do to the A1 corridor to the West.	

Proposed Division Name	Cawood & Riccall	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5385	-8.06%
Summary of changes	This follows the existing Cawood and Escrick division to the West, removing Escrick, Skipwith and Thorganby to the northeast and adding Riccall to the east. This increases the size of Cawood by 772 electors.	
Rationale	The existing Cawood and Escrick division is too small. By adding Riccall, which is connected to Cawood across the river bridge, this increases the number of electors to an acceptable amount, whilst the move of Escrick to align with Cliff and North Duffield creates another division of the correct size.	

Proposed Division Name	Cliffe & Escrick	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5415	-7.46%

Summary of changes	The current Cliff and North Duffield division would lose Osgodby ward, and gain Escrick, Skipwith and Thorganby polling districts. This results in an increase of 581 electors.
Rationale	The addition of Escrick, Skipwith and Thorganby supports a correctly sized ward, whilst aligning the villages on the eastern side of the A19 down to the River Ouse.

Proposed Division Name	Monk Fryston & South Milford	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6336	8.16%
Summary of changes	The current division of the same name would have Birkin and Beal removed to the southeast, and add South Milford North to the North.	
Rationale	The existing division is too large and the removal of Birkin and Beal helps to achieve the correct electoral number. The South Milford North polling district is part of South Milford and by adding it creates a more straightforward boundary along the railway line at the north of the division.	

Proposed Division Name	Osgoldcross	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5833	0.24%
Summary of changes	There are no changes proposed.	
Rationale	This constitutes an established and recognised area which is the correct size.	

Proposed Division Name	Ouseburn	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5548	-4.88%
Summary of changes	This adds the polling districts of Healaugh, Catterton and Bilbrough to the existing Ouseburn division.	
Rationale	The current Ouseburn division is too small. Adding the three polling districts brings it to an acceptable size.	

Proposed Division Name	Selby East	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5707	-1.96%
Summary of changes	This takes the Selby South 1 and Selby South 2 polling districts, previously of Selby East division, with parts of Selby West 1 and 2 around the High School and the Hospital.	
Rationale	These areas represent the area of Selby town to the east of the Selby Dam river and the A1238. This is a natural divide from the western half of Selby.	

Proposed Division Name	Selby West	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6036	3.59%
Summary of changes	This is the existing division with the removal of Selby West 2 and part of Selby West 1. This decreases the size of the division by 2165 electors.	
Rationale	This area represents the western half of Selby. Members believed this would reflect the identity of this division as part of Selby town.	

Proposed Division Name	Sherburn In Elmet	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6284	7.40%
Summary of changes	This removes part of the north of Sherburn town and South Milford North polling district. This decreases the size of the division by 983 electors.	
Rationale	<p>It is necessary to reduce the size of Sherburn in Elmet division. Because a relatively significant transfer of electors is needed, and because the concentration of electors is in the middle of the division, there are no options to take electors from the east or west. Inevitably, this means splitting the town of Sherburn to some extent. The working group recognised that this was imperfect as a solution.</p> <p>It is understood that there is local feeling that this is not an acceptable proposal. There is a view that there should be a two member ward here, or that the electoral inequality of keeping</p>	

	<p>Sherburn as one should be accepted, which are likely to be submitted as proposals within the consultation by other parties. However, the working group did not feel it could submit a proposal outside of the parameters already agreed (i.e. single member wards and divisions within 10% variance)</p>	
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Proposed Division Name	Spofforth with Tockwith	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5538	-5.07%
Summary of changes	No change proposed	
Rationale	This is an established and recognised area, which is the correct size of division.	

Proposed Division Name	Tadcaster	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5689	-2.29%
Summary of changes	This is based the northern boundaries of the current division with the removal of the Stutton with Hazelwood 1 polling district. This reduces the size of the division by 372 electors.	
Rationale	This helps to being the size of the division closer to the average, which helping Appleton Roebuck & Church Fenton to increase in size. The area of Stutton to the south of Tadcaster is already separated by the A64 dual carriageway and is a distinct place.	

Proposed Division Name	Thorpe Willoughby & Hambleton	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5395	-7.85%
Summary of changes	This follows the western boundaries of the current division, with Burn polling district removed to the east. This reduces the size of the division by 395 electors.	
Rationale	This change is largely to achieve electoral equality of the divisions. The village of Burn has a distinct identity but looks north to Selby for its services. There is not believed to be any detrimental effect on identity by separating it from the villages to the west.	

Skipton and Ripon

18. The city of Ripon had divisions which were too large, and it was therefore necessary to align some polling districts with surrounding areas. There is also growth to the south of the city which must be factored in.
19. There was also a lack of consistency East-West within the area, with those divisions on the Skipton side significantly smaller than those on the Ripon side.

Proposed Division Name	Aire Valley	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5758	-1.05%
Summary of changes	This follows the boundaries of the existing Aire Valley division with the addition of an area to the west of and including some of Glusburn. This has the effect of increasing the size of the division by 562 electors.	
Rationale	<p>The current division is too small. The addition of part of the Glusburn polling district increases the numbers to a suitable level and creates a more straightforward boundary on the eastern side.</p> <p>Concern has been raised that this divides Glusburn, which identifies as a single and distinct place. We believe alternative proposals may be submitted that suggest an alternative alignment to reduce the number of houses split from the rest of Glusburn. This is unlikely to achieve as even an electoral balance, however.</p>	

Proposed Division Name	North Craven	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6116	4.85%
Summary of changes	This uses the existing division boundaries, with the removal of Lawkland and Austwick polling districts. This decreases the size of the division by 679 electors.	
Rationale	The current division is too large. The villages of Austwick and Lawkland would move to the Settle division. This is their local town, and it was not felt that there would be a detrimental impact on their identity by separating them from the villages of Clapham and Newby Cote to the west. The remaining area represents an established and understood geography.	

Proposed Division Name	South Craven	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5864	0.76%
Summary of changes	This represents the current division of Glusburn, Cross Hills & Sutton-in-Craven, with an area of Glusburn removed. This reduces the size of the division by 562 electors.	
Rationale	<p>The existing Glusburn, Cross Hills & Sutton-in-Craven division is too large. The removal of part of Glusburn addresses this, and supports Aire Valley achieving a reasonable size.</p> <p>As above, there is some local concern at dividing Glusburn in this way.</p>	

Proposed Division Name	Masham & Fountains	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6169	5.67%
Summary of changes	This represents the current division with the removal of Warsill, Bishop Thornton and Shaw Mills, Clint Cum Hamlets, Ripley, South Stainley with Cayton, and Nidd polling districts. This reduces the size of the division by 513 electors.	
Rationale	The current division is too large. The villages to the south of this area identify closer with Harrogate than Ripon so essentially look south. Reducing the geographical area of this division also helps to ensure it is feasible for a single member to cover.	

Proposed Division Name	Mid Craven	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5374	-8.28%
Summary of changes	This represents the current Mid Craven division with the addition of Marstons Both, Broughton, Thornton in Craven and Elslack polling districts to the south.	
Rationale	These changes are necessary to increase the size of this division. The communities in this area share characteristics with Gargrave and Coniston Cold in the current Mid Craven division in that they are south of the dales, and look east to Skipton for key services. It	

	is not thought that there is any detriment to their identity by separating them from the communities to the south of Skipton.
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Proposed Division Name	Nidderdale	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5407	-7.61%
Summary of changes	This is a new division formed from the north of Washburn and Birstwith, and the south of Pateley Bridge and Nidderdale divisions, and the polling districts of Warsill, Bishop Thornton and Shaw Mills, and Clint Cum Hamlets polling districts.	
Rationale	<p>This division has been created in this way to help bridge the change in the nature of the divisions to the east and west of the Pennines. By aligning Pateley Bridge in the neighbouring Wharfedale division, it increases the electoral equality across both sides. The previous Nidderdale was too small, so needs to be added to, to reach a reasonable size.</p> <p>Concern has been raised locally that area does not cover the whole of Nidderdale, which stretches to Whernside. Whilst this does have an identity as a place, the villages at the south of the dale have a connection to Harrogate too. It has not been possible to identify alternatives that keep Nidderdale as one without other detrimental impacts to the surrounding divisions.</p>	

Proposed Division Name	Ripon South	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6062	4.01%
Summary of changes	This division covers much of the existing Ripon Minster and Moorside division bit with altered boundaries to the north, east and west. It includes an additional area of Littlethorpe 2 polling division to the west of West Lane, and the removal of the northern and eastern parts of the Ripon Minster Ward polling districts. This has the effect of decreasing the size of the existing division by 508 electors.	
Rationale	The existing ward is too big. The removal of the Cathedral area to the north of the river moves this area in to the Ripon North, which creates a clear boundary along the river, and unites the Cathedral	

	with the Cathedral School. The addition of the area to the west of West Lane incorporates new development into the existing development, so this housing is within Ripon and not the more rural Masham and Fountains division.
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Proposed Division Name	Ripon North	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6041	3.68%
Summary of changes	This division is the central part of the current Ripon Ure Bank and Spa division, with the removal of half of the Ripon Spa Ward 1 and part of the eastern side of Ripon Ure Bank Ward. This decreases the size of the division by 878 electors.	
Rationale	The existing division is too big. The removal of these two areas brings the number to an appropriate level. Whilst this requires those areas to be with more rural divisions, the communities in those areas on the edges of the city share some characteristics with the villages (e.g. Sharow, Clothierhome) surrounding Ripon.	

Proposed Division Name	Settle	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5761	-1.00%
Summary of changes	This uses the existing division boundaries, with the addition of Lawkland and Austwick polling districts. This increases the size of the division by 679 electors.	
Rationale	The current division is too small. The villages of Austwick and Lawkland would move to the Settle division. This is their local town, and it was not felt that there would be a detrimental impact on their identity by separating them from the villages of Clapham and Newby Cote to the west.	

Proposed Division Name	Skipton East	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5433	-7.11%
Summary of changes	This follows the boundaries of the existing Skipton East and South division, with the exception of the removal of an area between the	

	<p>railway and the river to the west of the division. It also adds the Draughton polling division to the East. This reduces the size of the division by 1105 electors.</p>
Rationale	<p>The existing Skipton East and South division is too big, with the other two Skipton divisions too small. The section of central Skipton which moves to Skipton West increases the size of that division to a workable level, whilst still retaining its Skipton identity. The inclusion of Draughton to the east extends the division along the A65. Draughton, although a distinct village, is on the approach to Skipton from the east and is a Skipton village.</p>

Proposed Division Name	Skipton North & Embsay-with-Eastby	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5515	-5.52%
Summary of changes	<p>This takes the existing division and adds 5 polling districts from the bottom of Wharfedale, around and to the north of Bolton Abbey. This increases the size of the division by 396 electors.</p>	
Rationale	<p>The current Division is too small. The proposal takes in a larger area to the north around Bolton Abbey which support electoral equality in Skipton, and also supports the lower end of Wharfedale with a relatively sparse population (and the current Wharfedale division too small)</p> <p>It is recognised that this does combine two distinctly different areas, with the urban part of Skipton and the rural south of Wharfedale. However, with the significant difference in population density across this area, it is difficult to find a solution that does not incorporate both types of landscape.</p>	

Proposed Division Name	Skipton West	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5726	-1.62%
Summary of changes	<p>This takes the existing Skipton West & West Craven division and adds an area between the railway and the river from the west of the Skipton East. It also removes Marstons Both, Broughton, Thornton in Craven and Elslack polling districts. This increases the size of the division by 550 electors.</p>	

Rationale	<p>The current division is too small. By adding the area between the river and railway to the east of the Bus Station, this increases the size. This area retains its Skipton identity and is united with similar housing to the north of Skipton Hospital.</p> <p>As above, the polling districts being removed share characteristics with Gargrave and Coniston Cold in the current Mid Craven division in that they are south of the dales, and look east to Skipton for key services. It is not thought that there is any detriment to their identity by separating them from the communities to the south of Skipton.</p>
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Proposed Division Name	Wathvale & Bishop Monkton	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5648	-3.03%
Summary of changes	This follows the boundaries of the existing division around the east of Ripon with the addition of part of Ripon Ure Bank Ward and Ripon Minster Ward. It also removes the area to the west and north of Boroughbridge. This decreases the size of the division by 2007 electors.	
Rationale	The existing division is too big. The main change is the removal of the areas to the west and north of Boroughbridge, which creates the new Boroughbridge division. It also takes in areas to the east of Ripon, which supports the correct sizing of the Ripon divisions.	

Proposed Division Name	Wharfedale	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5584	-4.21%
Summary of changes	This proposal removes the southerly part of Wharfedale and adds the northern part of Nidderdale. This increases the size of the division by 1383 electors.	
Rationale	The current division is significantly too small but covers a large geographical area. The removal of the area to the south of Wharfedale supports the balancing of the Skipton divisions. the addition of the north of Nidderdale helps to create a division with the size required, incorporating the population of Pateley Bridge.	

	<p>Pateley Bridge and Nidderdale are and have always been together and have been kept together within this proposal. They are very similar communities to Grassington and Wharfedale and have more similarities to these areas than with the villages nearer Harrogate. Those further up the dale have a reliance on sheep farming and tourism, whilst the villages to the west of Harrogate have farming but are becoming more characterised as commuter villages servicing Harrogate and Leeds.</p> <p>It is recognised that this creates a large and varied division. This has the effect of balancing the division sizes across the Pennines. The Working Group discussed a length the effect of doing so and whether the resulting division would be workable for a single member, which they concluded it would. However, the group is aware of concerns around the identity of Nidderdale, with some local feeling that dividing Nidderdale at Pateley Bridge undermines what they see as a single identifiable area. However, the National Landscape forms an area stretching from the southernmost boundary of North Yorkshire up to Wensleydale. It is not possible to have a division which incorporates the whole of this area. There may well be other local proposals, however.</p>
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Proposed Division Name	Boroughbridge	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6121	4.93%
Summary of changes	This division is formed from the eastern part of the current Wathvale and Bishop Monkton decision, with the addition of the Minskip and Boroughbridge polling districts to the south.	
Rationale	Boroughbridge is an area with a clear identity. It was previously in the Harrogate and Knaresborough area but is considered to more closely align with the villages to the east and along the A1 corridor.	

Thirsk and Malton

20. The main challenge within this area was the imbalance between the Norton and Malton Divisions. It was determined that it was not desirable to select some of Norton to move to the Malton Division as this does not reflect the identity of the two places. The proposal therefore separates the area north to south with two divisions covering both towns.

Proposed Division Name	Amotherby & Hovingham	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5428	-7.20%
Summary of changes	This division is formed from most of the current division of Amotherby and Ampleforth, with Ampleforth removed and the polling districts of Marton, Normanby, Salton, Brawby, Great and Little Barugh, and South Holme. This increases the size of the division by 818 electors.	
Rationale	The additional polling districts support the division to be of the right size. The move of Ampleforth allows it to be linked with it's neighbouring town of Helmsley.	

Proposed Division Name	Easingwold	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5698	-2.13%
Summary of changes	This follows the boundaries of the existing division, with the exception of the removal of Crayke. This decreases the size of the division by 333 electors.	
Rationale	The neighbouring division of Huby and Tollerton is too small, and the move of Crayke helps that to reach an appropriate size. Whilst Crayke does have a relationship to Easingwold, this is similar to other surrounding villages of Huby and Stillington which are already in the Huby and Tollerton division.	

Proposed Division Name	Filey	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5904	1.45%
Summary of changes	This takes the north half of the existing Filey division but removes Primrose Valley to the south. This reduces the size of the division by 359 electors.	
Rationale	This move helps Filey and Hunmanby and Sherburn to achieve a more even balance.	

Proposed Division Name	Helmsley & Ampleforth	
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Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5404	-7.67%
Summary of changes	This uses the main boundary of the current Helmsley & Sinnington division, with the addition of Wombledon to the east and polling districts around Ampleforth, Coxwold, Olstead and Kilburn. It removes South Holme, Salton, Brawby, Great and Little Barugh, Edstone and Sinnington polling districts. This increases the size of the division by 959 electors.	
Rationale	The current division is too small. The additional polling districts help to reach a reasonable size and bring the neighbouring places of Ampleforth and Helmsley together. The removal of the polling districts to the east help Amotherby & Hovingham to reach an appropriate size.	

Proposed Division Name	Hillside & Raskelf	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5637	-3.23%
Summary of changes	This follows the existing boundaries to the north and south, with the removal of Kilburn High & Low, Wildon Grange, Coxwold, Newburgh and Ouslton to the east and the addition of Hutton Sessay, Sessay and Eldmire with Crakehall to the west. This decreases the size of the division by 93 electors.	
Rationale	This change better aligns to the communities along the A19 corridor, whilst supporting the divisions on either side to reach a suitable size.	

Proposed Division Name	Huby & Tollerton	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5660	-2.81%
Summary of changes	This follows the existing boundary of the division with the addition of Crayke, and the removal of Yearsley, Brandsby cum Stearsby, Dalby-cum-Skewsby and Whenby. This decreases the size of the division by 147 electors.	
Rationale	The transfer of these polling districts out of Huby and Tolleton supports the neighbouring Amotherby & Hovingham division to increase to an appropriate size. The addition of Crayke ensures this division remains within the threshold.	

Proposed Division Name	Hunmanby & Sherburn	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5864	0.77%
Summary of changes	This follows the existing boundary with the addition of Primrose Valley to the east. This increases the size of the division by 359 electors.	
Rationale	This move helps to balance the size of this division with that of Filey.	

Proposed Division Name	Kirkbymoorside & The Dales	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5455	-6.68%
Summary of changes	This follows the existing boundaries to the north, with the removal of Wombledon to the west and the addition of Sinnington and Edstone to the south. This decreases the size of the division by 203 electors.	
Rationale	The addition of Sinnington and Edstone unites the villages along the A170. The removal of Wombledon helps to increase the size of Helmsley & Ampleforth.	

Proposed Division Name	Malton Norton West	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6135	5.15%
Summary of changes	This proposal keeps the existing outer boundary of Malton and Norton division, but divides the area north-south, creating an east and a west division.	
Rationale	The Malton division is too small and the Norton division is too big. Given the distinct identity of both places, it was not desirable to simply move some houses into the Malton division. A more radical solution was therefore proposed, to split the two areas the other way, north to south, creating two divisions that each represent part of both of Malton and Norton. The proposal creates two divisions of appropriate size.	

	Following the publication of the proposal for approval, it became apparent that some local councillors did not support this proposal. They would prefer to see a two member ward to prevent areas of Norton or Malton being split. However, the working group did not feel that it could recommend a solution outside the parameters of the consultation (i.e. something other than a single member ward.) It is understood that an alternative proposal will be submitted to the consultation.
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Proposed Division Name	Malton Norton East	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6003	3.06%
Summary of changes	As above	
Rationale	As above	

Proposed Division Name	Pickering	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5897	1.32%
Summary of changes	This follows the existing boundary, but with the removal of the bottom half of the Pickering East Ward. This results in a reduction of 626 electors.	
Rationale	The current division is too big. The removal of part of the polling district helps to bring the size of the division to the right level, whilst supporting Amotherby & Hovingham to reach the correct size. The area is outside of the main town of Pickering, and are broadly small settlements along the A169 surrounded by agricultural land.	

Proposed Division Name	Sheriff Hutton & Derwent	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5803	-0.28%
Summary of changes	No change proposed	
Rationale	The division is the correct size and is a recognised and established area.	

Proposed Division Name	Sowerby & Topcliffe	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6163	5.58%
Summary of changes	The proposal follows the northern boundary of the existing division, but with the removal of Eldmire with Crakehall, Sessay and Hutton Sessay to the south. This reduces the size of the division by 375 electors.	
Rationale	The current division is too big. The move of these polling districts is part of a number of moves that help to achieve electoral equality in this area.	

Proposed Division Name	Thirsk	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	5904	1.44%
Summary of changes	No change proposed.	
Rationale	The division is the correct size and is a recognised and established area.	

Proposed Division Name	Thornton Dale & The Wolds	
Electors	Forecast 2030	Variance from average
	6088	4.42%
Summary of changes	No change proposed.	
Rationale	The division is the correct size and is a recognised and established area.	