

# North Yorkshire

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## Comment text:

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## Attached Documents:

- nycouncil-boundary-changes071224\_0.pdf



**Wetherby & Easingwold CLP**

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Local Government Boundary Commission for England  
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London  
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Dear Commissioners,

Electoral review of North Yorkshire Council

I write on behalf of the 500 members of Wetherby & Easingwold Constituency Labour Party in response to the Commission's consultation above.

We are aware of North Yorkshire Council's response and its proposed reconfiguration of division within this constituency. The result in the western part is to create more divisions that are split between different Parliamentary constituencies, including in Wetherby & Easingwold. We appreciate that the LGBCE does not deal with Parliamentary boundaries, but trust that Commissioners will regard the value of avoiding unnecessary confusion in the minds of electors as a relevant factor. Electors from different polling districts who share the same MP have no problem understanding that a constituency area divides into smaller areas for the election of Councillors. They are likely to be baffled when a small ward/division is divided between 2 constituencies and MPs. Unless absolutely unavoidable, North Yorkshire electoral divisions should not be split between different constituencies.

We therefore suggest that the Commission should consider a configuration with all the Hillside & Raskelf, Helmsley & Ampleforth, Amotherby & Hovingham (all Thirsk & Malton) and Wathvale & Bishop Monkton (Skipton & Ripon) polling districts beginning WE becoming part of a reconfiguration of divisions to be contained within the Wetherby & Easingwold constituency.

Kind regards,

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