

From: [Hendry, Angela](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FOI Acknowledgment
Date: 29 March 2022 14:41:00
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Dear [REDACTED]

FOI Ref: 74225/22

Thank you for your request for information, dated 28 March 2022, under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

All written and numeric data (including all electronic or written messages, minutes, briefing papers and proposals and submissions) relating to:

1. **South Darley**
2. **Oker and Snitterton (in particular relating to its inclusion in a Matlock West district ward)**

which formed part, directly or indirectly, of the recent Local Government Boundary Commission for England Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales.

The Commission aims to respond promptly and within the statutory deadline of 20 working days set by the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please expect a response by **25 April 2022**.

In some cases a fee may be payable and if that is the case I will let you know. A fees notice will be issued to you, and you will be required to pay before I will proceed to deal with your request.

If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me on the details provided below. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely,

Angela Hendry

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Subject: Response to FOI Part 1
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In response to your request, we have batched the information into the following headings. Given the size of the overall documents, these have been sent to you in a number of subsequent emails:

Emails specifically relating to LGBCE recommendations for the area in question

These are attached as a PDF document and ordered chronologically.

Submissions Logs for each round on consultation

These are attached as excel spreadsheets in a zipfile for each round of consultation. We considered that, for context, we should provide you with the entire log so you can see our proposals for South Darley / Oker / Snitterton in context. The actual submissions are publicly available and can be found at <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/east-midlands/derbyshire/derbyshire-dales>

Numerical data in developing our recommendations and tour note

These are attached as excel spreadsheets for each set of recommendations. We considered that, for context, we should provide you with the entire numerical scheming data for the district so you can see our proposals for South Darley / Oker / Snitterton in context

Cover papers for each set of recommendations considered by the Commission Board

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Recommendations Reports published by the Commission

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Presentations given to the Commission Board for each set of recommendations

These are attached as the original powerpoint documents and consolidated as PDF documents These presentations are the ones provided to the Commission Board when it considers its decisions on electoral reviews.

Minutes of the relevant Commission Board meetings

These are publicly available and can be found at: <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/about-us/commission-papers>

The meetings in question were:

Council size decision: 18 August 2020
Draft Recommendations: 19 January 2021
Original Final Recommendations: 15 June 2021
New Draft Recommendations: 17 August 2021
Final Recommendations: 14 December 2021

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me, quoting the reference number above in any correspondence.

If you wish to request a review of our decision, you should write to:

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Yours sincerely,

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From: [Hendry, Angela](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: FOI Ref: 74225/22 part 2
Date: 25 April 2022 14:37:00
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Nizinsky, Paul](#)
Cc: [reviews](#)
Subject: Errors & Inconsistencies in DDales Report
Date: 05 July 2021 08:51:00
Attachments: [Letter to LGBCE ref errors July 2021.doc](#)

Good morning Paul,

Please see below (and attached) why we feel that urgent action is required by LGBCE to address the errors and inconsistencies in your report for Derbyshire Dales District Council, published on June 29th. We do not believe it can stand in its present form.

Errors of Data

Ward Numbers and Variances

Assuming that the **maps** are the definitive statement of which civil parishes are in which District Wards then close examination of the data supplied by DDDC and published by you as 'Electoral Figures' in 'Warding arrangements' we believe will show the following;

Ashbourne North will have an electorate of only 3,165 (not 3,444). This is a **12.4% variance** so over the limit prescribed. LGBCE have appeared to have included in their total the parishes of Fenny Bentley and Thorpe, which on the map they have allocated to Dovedale, Parwich and Brassington.

Hulland will have an electorate of only 1571 (not 1638). This is a **13% variance** so over the limit prescribed. LGBCE have appeared to have included the parish of Mercaston, which on the map they have allocated to Brailsford.

Brailsford will have an electorate of 1950 (not 1883). LGBCE have appeared to have **not** included the parish of Mercaston, which is allocated to this ward on the map.

Wirksworth and Carsington Water will have an electorate of 5206 (not 4982). LGBCE have appeared to have **not** included the parish of Hognaston, which is allocated to this ward on the map.

These errors alone should, we believe, require the withdrawal of the report subject to correction and revision.

However we would also draw your attention to the following incorrect statements within the report that you may wish to take the opportunity to correct.

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districts in Ashbourne, which was corrected. This correction *negated* the need to transfer the area between Sturston Road, Compton Street, Park Road and the Shawcroft Centre car park from Ashbourne South to Ashbourne North, as in our draft recommendations, and also the need to make changes to parish wards”.

It does not. The original error in projected numbers concerned polling districts BAS & BAH which are both in Ashbourne South. It had no bearing on District Wards.

It is probable that the transfer described above **will** need to occur to rescue the excessive variance for Ashbourne North.

Errors in Rebuttal of joint submission.

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Para 36 You suggest that our proposal for Darley Dale Ward has a 17% variance and (Paras 55 & 56), that our proposals for Matlock West and Matlock East & Tansley are flawed due to having non-contiguous areas.

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- The possibility of creating ward boundaries that cross existing civil parish boundaries has been abandoned without apparent explanation.

A withdrawal of the report would also afford an opportunity for people to be able to comment on warding structures that are essentially completely new and yet (apparently) there is no further consultation.

Beyond 2026

It is regretted that the recommendations made in this report will almost certainly require a similar exercise to be carried out within a few years. It was flagged up in our 'joint submission' that certain areas will receive the bulk of the housing development planned for the district. Three of these areas have been given allocations that deliver the highest positive variance in the proposed scheme. This does not seem sensible and it was not necessary, as our proposals largely avoided it.

, Cllr David Hughes

5th July 2021

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Peter Dobbs, Cllr David Hughes
5th July 2021

From: [Nizinskyj, Paul](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Forecast enquiry
Date: 03 August 2021 16:14:00
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Ah! Well the Commission meeting to decide the new draft recommendations is on 17th August. If your contact is already on leave then I assume they will be back before then – if they're able to work on it quickly once they're back, so that I have a response before the 17th, then that might be just about manageable.

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From: Spencer, Jason <Jason.Spencer@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Sent: 03 August 2021 16:11
To: Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>
Subject: RE: Forecast enquiry

Hi Paul

How soon do you need a response?

My contact is currently on leave for two weeks.

Thanks

Jason

From: Nizinskyj, Paul [<mailto:Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>]
Sent: 03 August 2021 16:06
To: Spencer, Jason <Jason.Spencer@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Forecast enquiry

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Thanks Jason, that would be really helpful. One of the questions raised by members when pointing out the errors in the final recommendations report was why those sites had been included in the Youlgrave ward rather than Matlock West, so I'd like to be able to give them a good answer in our new draft recommendations report.

I'm not sure the explanation you were given resolves why the Permanite site is included in the developments polygons, when it is very obviously not included in the forecast (whereas I could be convinced that the 129 Cawdor developments are all on the Matlock side of the site), but we'll see what they say!

Many thanks again,

Paul

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Sent: 03 August 2021 15:54

To: Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>

Subject: RE: Forecast enquiry

Hi Paul

As you say I did not work for the Council when the data was submitted so everything I have is second hand!

When I reviewed the data for the projections in Ashbourne earlier this year I also

asked why the increase in the number of properties in the Cawdor Quarry/Permenite site had not been included in the Oker and Snitterton parish ward projections.

It was a while ago now but I think the response I received put it down to the timing of completion of the development. The projection methodology took into account completion forecasts for sites of 10 or more dwellings up to 2024/25 and it was anticipated that, because of the size of the project, this part of the development would not be completed by then.

I will go back to our Planning Policy Team to check if this was the case and ask whether we are still working on the original timescales for completions.

Regards

Jason

From: Nizinskyj, Paul [<mailto:Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>]
Sent: 03 August 2021 15:02
To: Spencer, Jason <Jason.Spencer@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Subject: Forecast enquiry

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Hi Jason,

I have a question about the forecast. In polling district WSO (Oker & Snitterton), there is only a two-elector increase forecast, from 140 to 142. This doesn't appear to take into account the Cawdor Quarry and Permanite Works developments, which I reckon should be adding about 200 electors (57 x 1.7 for Permanite and 65 x 1.7 for Cawdor). I did a count on ArcMap of the geocoded electoral register for 2020, and it came up with 144 (which is within the margin of error for 140), so I can't see how this forecast could possibly have taken those developments into account unless there is a massive elector decrease expected for Oker & Snitterton in the next five years.

I realise you weren't the person who put the forecast together, but could you shed any light on this?

Many thanks,

Paul

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Cc: julian@southdarleyparishcouncil.gov.uk; [REDACTED]
brian@southdarleyparishcouncil.gov.uk
Subject: RE: Cawdor development spanning parish boundary
Date: 16 September 2021 13:57:06
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Dear Mr Adkin,

Thank you for your email – I am the Review Officer for Derbyshire Dales. We are aware of the Cawdor Quarry development and the adjacent Permanite development. According to the data provided by Derbyshire Dales District Council, these two developments will result in the construction and habitation of 182 new properties by 2026 (we are legally prevented from considering new developments after this date), which we estimate will add about 300 electors to the area.

With regards to where the district boundary ought to be drawn, I strongly recommend the Parish Council makes its position clear in our ongoing consultation on the New Draft Recommendations for Derbyshire Dales, before it closes on Tuesday 26th October. The more local evidence we have on the issue, the more likely we are to be able to reach a decision in our Final Recommendations which will be in the interests of both communities. I would advise Matlock Town Council to do the same. You can find the consultation portal here: <https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/have-your-say/22484>

I hope this has been helpful but please do get in touch if you need any further clarification.

Yours sincerely,

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Sent: 16 September 2021 12:25

To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>

Cc: Julian <julian@southdarleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]; Brian Haymes <brian@southdarleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>

Subject: Cawdor development spanning parish boundary

Dear Sir or Madam

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To: [Nizinskyj, Paul](#)
Subject: RE: Cawdor development spanning parish boundary
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Thanks Paul!

From: Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>
Sent: 16 September 2021 13:07
To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>
Subject: RE: Cawdor development spanning parish boundary

Hi Nicole,

This is something I'm aware of, so I'll reply to them.

Thanks,

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Sent: 16 September 2021 13:01
To: Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>
Subject: FW: Cawdor development spanning parish boundary

Hi Paul,

I have an email from a Parish Council in Derbyshire Dales concerned about a new

development being taken into account in the review?

Do you have any advice on how I should respond please?

Thanks,

Nicole

From: South Darley <southdarleyparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk>

Sent: 16 September 2021 12:25

To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>

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From: [Nizinskyj, Paul](#)
To: [Spencer, Jason](#)
Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Electorate Forecast enquiry
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Thanks Jason, much appreciated!

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Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Electorate Forecast enquiry

Thanks Paul

I can assure you I have not given up pushing this since I last made contact. In light of your email today I have followed this up with the County Council again to try and emphasise the need for a response before the end of the consultation. As mentioned previously based on my knowledge of the Permanite Site I think that the projected electorate for WSO is low but as I was not here when the data was produced I do not know what assumptions were made when calculating the projected electorate.

My manager has spoken to someone from South Darley PC about the practicalities of conducting a Community Governance Review so once the Commission's final recommendations are published we are expecting a request in respect of South Darley/Matlock.

At a personal level I share your view that there is a strong case for the new

development in polling district WSO to be in the Matlock West Ward as the residents in the new homes will not have much of an affinity or link to the rest of the Parish of South Darley (Particularly as the road from Snitterton to South Darley has been closed for some time due to a landslip and the alternative route is either a long diversion through Darley Dale or driving up a single track gated road that is prone to flooding) and certainly have no affinity with the proposed Youlgrave Ward.

I will let you know when I get something from the County Council.

Regards

Jason

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Hi Jason,

Just an update to say we've received an email from South Darley Parish Council which is anxious that the Cawdor Quarry development is fully considered in the course of our review. They are in contact with Matlock Town Council, and I expect they will want to push for a Community Governance Review once the final recommendations are published, presumably to transfer the South Darley side into Matlock.

Given the development's proximity to Matlock town and Matlock Riverside railway station, I think there would be a strong case for its inclusion in the proposed Matlock West district ward, were anyone to suggest that in the current round of consultation. It's therefore very important that we have clarity on whether the development has been properly considered in the forecast by the time it closes on 26th October and, if not, for an updated forecast to be produced.

Again, I'm mindful of the challenges you're facing in obtaining this clarity, but I'd say this is of the utmost importance now.

Many thanks,

Paul

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Sent: 01 September 2021 16:39
To: Spencer, Jason <Jason.Spencer@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Electorate Forecast enquiry

Hi Jason,

We decided that the new draft recommendations should change the final recommendations as little as possible in order to correct the miscalculations and nothing more. Therefore the Cawdor Quarry/Permanite development wasn't really an issue.

However, I'm quite sure it will come up again in the consultation, so it would be good if we had an answer by the time the consultation closes on 26th October. I appreciate you've got a bit of an uphill battle ahead of you there, though!

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Sent: 01 September 2021 15:53
To: Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>
Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Electorate Forecast enquiry

Hi Paul

I hope you are keeping well.

I returned from leave yesterday to be greeted by the latest proposals from the Commission on the Derbyshire Dales!

In light of the email I sent you on the eve of my departure what was the outcome was in terms of our discussions about the Cawdor Quarry/Permanite development?

I mentioned it to James on my return and he advised me that he did not hear from you in my absence.

Now I am back do you wish me to continue looking into the figures?

I currently have the added complication that Barbara at Derbyshire County Council who helped Sandra and Chris with the projections also retired over the summer. As the County Council have not appointed a direct replacement I am trying to find out who might be able to help me now.

Thanks

Jason

From: Spencer, Jason
Sent: 12 August 2021 16:07
To: 'Nizinskyj, Paul' <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>
Cc: McLaughlin, James <James.McLaughlin@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Electorate Forecast enquiry

Hello Paul

Thank you for sending me the polygons.

Our planning policy team have come back to me today and their response supports your conclusion that housing forecasts up 2026 include additional units but they suggest there are 53 units at Permanite and 129 units at Cawdor Quarry located in polling district WSO, and 75 units at Cawdor Quarry within the polling district QMB. Therefore it would appear that the projected electorate for WSO is 309 voters lower than would be expected.

Having discussed this with my manager, James McLaughlin, who is copied into this message, we wondered if you would be able to delay doing anything with this

until we have received some feedback from Derbyshire County Council who assisted us with the projections. As James and I did not work for the Council when the forecasts were produced we think they may be able to provide more background on the figures that were used in the projections. We would also like to clarify if the 75 units in Matlock are already in the projected electorate and work out why the unit numbers in your email differ from ours.

I appreciate that you have a meeting next week but I want us to be confident that we are giving you the right information.

I am on leave after today so please could you include James in any response or if you need further information.

Regards

Jason

From: Nizinskyj, Paul [<mailto:Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>]
Sent: 11 August 2021 09:47
To: Spencer, Jason <Jason.Spencer@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Electorate Forecast enquiry

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Hi Jason,

The polygons are attached.

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Sent: 11 August 2021 09:10

To: Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>
Subject: FW: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Electorate Forecast enquiry

Hi Paul

A member of our Planning Policy Team is looking at the issue you raised. They have asked me to send them the developments polygons you refer to.

I have to admit I don't know what they are never mind where to find them can you help?

As you know I did not work here when the review started and I have not been able to find anything in the information left by my predecessor.

Regards

Jason

From: Nizinskyj, Paul [<mailto:Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>]
Sent: 03 August 2021 15:02
To: Spencer, Jason <Jason.Spencer@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Subject: Forecast enquiry

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I have a question about the forecast. In polling district WSO (Oker & Snitterton), there is only a two-elector increase forecast, from 140 to 142. This doesn't appear to take into account the Cawdor Quarry and Permanite Works developments, which I reckon should be adding about 200 electors (57 x 1.7 for Permanite and 65 x 1.7 for Cawdor). I did a count on ArcMap of the geocoded electoral register for 2020, and it came up with 144 (which is within the margin of error for 140), so I can't see how this forecast could possibly have taken those developments into account unless there is a massive elector decrease expected for Oker & Snitterton in the next five years.

I realise you weren't the person who put the forecast together, but could you shed any light on this?

Many thanks,

Paul

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From: [Nizinskyj, Paul](#)
To: [Steve](#)
Subject: RE: LGBCE: 51965 | Draft Recommendation Submission
Date: 28 October 2021 10:35:45
Attachments: [image003.png](#)
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Dear Cllr Wain,

Thank you for the clarification. Can I confirm you wish to have the correspondence logged as an official submission?

With regards to Cawdor Quarry, we did receive South Darley Parish Council's concerns, and this is something I've been discussing with DDDC. Our conclusions will be published in the final report.

While it might seem a point of semantics, we do not disregard any submissions. However, where we disagree, we explain our reasoning in the report.

Yours sincerely,

Paul

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From: Steve [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 October 2021 10:19
To: Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>
Subject: Re: LGBCE: 51965 | Draft Recommendation Submission

Paul.

Thank you for your prompt response.

Sorry if I confused you, I was not submitting the email on behalf of Cllr Burfoot. Please accept my correspondence as my concerns as they mirror his.

With regard to the significant planned development within Cawdor Quarry, I am aware that South Darley PC have concerns over 200+ homes being aligned to their Parish. I have had sight of a letter outlining these concerns, from Ian Atkin, the Chair, which I believe has been sent to LGBCE. Can you please confirm that you have received this?

Should you wish to disregard the points we raise, I would still like to have an explanation as to your rationale.

Best wishes.
Steve.

Sent from my iPhone

On 27 Oct 2021, at 12:16, Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@lgbce.org.uk> wrote:

Dear Cllr Wain,

Thank you for this submission on behalf of Cllr Burfoot. I would just like to assure you of the importance of these consultations in what we do. We are acutely aware that, by nature of being a national organisation, we cannot be anything other than remote from most of the communities we review, at least at the beginning of the process, which is why we rely so much on the engagement of these communities to ensure they are reflected in the warding patterns produced. Derbyshire Dales has had a very good response rate at each stage of the review, and this has been very helpful.

Sometimes there are areas of an authority in which we receive no submissions at all (and we cannot simply assume that this is because people are content with the present situation, which is why we always encourage people to tell us what they *do* like as well as what they don't), and in these cases we sometimes introduce changes in our draft recommendations which work "on paper" in order to test them at consultation. Sometimes these changes are completely incomprehensible to residents, and we receive strong representations to this effect, but this is always welcome. It's for this reason that we never seek to "impose" decisions upon communities. They are our eyes and ears, so to speak, and we gain nothing from implementing unpopular arrangements, though community representation is of course only one of three statutory criteria which we have to carefully balance.

With regards to forecasting, legislation prevents us from considering projected developments beyond five years from the end of the review, and even within these five years we require a degree of certainty that

the developments will actually be completed within that time. It's for this reason that the longer-term prospective allocations in Local Plans are of limited use in forecasting. However, our aim is to review each authority every 12 years, so as to limit the potentially distorting effects of further development.

Please be assured that we will very carefully consider the attached report and all other submissions before we make our final recommendations.

Yours sincerely,

Paul

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From: Steve [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 October 2021 17:49
To: Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>; reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>
Cc: Martin Burfoot [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: LGBCE: 51965 | Draft Recommendation Submission

Dear Paul.

You will note that I have previously written to you regarding the highly important reassessment of the Derbyshire Dales electoral boundaries.

I attach a submission from a fellow Councillor, which I wholeheartedly support and Councillor Burfoot has agreed that I can echo his views, as mine.

As I previously stated I have lived in Derbyshire Dales for most of my life. I have been a Police Officer working the whole of the Dales for 10 years and I am now the Mayor of Matlock and the Civic Chair of Derbyshire Dales District Council.

I am deeply concerned by some of the decisions your organisation wants to impose upon our communities.

It is abundantly clear that this review has been undertaken predominantly as a table top exercise, with little or no understanding of the community ties that currently exist.

This is one of the reasons for your first report being flawed.

I would appreciate you thoroughly reviewing the content of the attached report and if you feel the comment unfounded, please provide a detailed resume of your rationale.

Although you are remote from any decision making you make, please be assured that your actions have a significant impact on our communities.

Regards.

Steve Wain.

Derbyshire Dales District Councillor and Town Councillor for All Saints Matlock.

Sent from my iPhone

On 19 Feb 2021, at 10:35, Nizinskyj, Paul
<Paul.Nizinskyj@lgbce.org.uk> wrote:

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Cc: [McLaughlin, James](#)
Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Cawdor development and its impact on the boundary commission report.
Date: 28 October 2021 11:31:00
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Thanks Jason.

I had taken it as a given that the HC2 Housing Site Allocations polygons only included developments which were likely to be completed by 2026. Do you know if this was the assumption when creating the polygons or whether the Cawdor Quarry and Permanite sites were included by mistake?

Many thanks,

Paul

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Sent: 28 October 2021 11:22
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Cc: McLaughlin, James <James.McLaughlin@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Cawdor development and its impact on the boundary commission report.

Hi Paul

I am well thanks. I am sorry I have not got back to you sooner. Yes the email I sent on 4 October is the current position.

While you will probably get local representations saying otherwise, the advice coming back from Derbyshire County Council was that while they were aware of the Cawdor Quarry/Permanite developments they were deliberately not included in the 2026 projections as they did not believe that they would be constructed and occupied by then and they tell me that this is still the case.

Please get back to me if you need anything else but be warned my new contact at Derbyshire County Council has also left the organisation!

Regards

Jason

From: Nizinskyj, Paul [<mailto:Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>]

Sent: 28 October 2021 10:26

To: Spencer, Jason <Jason.Spencer@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Cawdor development and its impact on the boundary commission report.

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Hi Jason,

Hope you're well. Is the below a definitive conclusion to the Cawdor Quarry/Permanite question or are we still awaiting that?

Many thanks,

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Cc: Nizinskyj, Paul <Paul.Nizinskyj@LGBCE.org.uk>; Hase, Mike <mike.hase@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>; McLaughlin, James <James.McLaughlin@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Cawdor development and its impact on the boundary commission report.

Hello Councillor Wain

Further to your recent email to Mike Hase.

As you will be aware I did not work for the Council when the data containing elector projections was originally submitted to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England so I have been trying to piece together what assumptions were made when compiling the data.

It is my understanding that 75 properties in the Cawdor Quarry development were included in the projections for the polling district QMB and one property for the Oaker and Snitterton ward of South Darley Parish Council (WSO). This was on the basis that the remaining properties would not be constructed until after 2026. I understand from the information sent to me from Derbyshire County Council that they believe this assumption still stands

In terms of the issue raised by the South Darley Parish Council, if this is not addressed in the LGBCE final proposals, it can be picked up through a Community Governance Review. The District Council is able to carry out a review.

Regards

Jason

From: Hase, Mike
Sent: 04 October 2021 11:24
To: Wain, Steve <Steve.Wain@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Cc: Paul.Nizinskyj@lgbce.org.uk; Spencer, Jason <Jason.Spencer@derbyshiredales.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: [OFFICIAL (SENSITIVE)] Cawdor development and its impact on the boundary commission report.

Dear Councillor Wain

I have passed your e-mail to Jason Spencer who is now co-ordinating responses to Boundary Commission.

Kind Regards

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From: Wain, Steve
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Cc: Paul.Nizinskyj@lgbce.org.uk
Subject: Cawdor development and its impact on the boundary commission report.

Mr Hase.

I hope you had a pleasant weekend.

I have recently been made aware that South Darley PC are concerned regarding the Cawdor Quarry development bisecting two defined Parish Wards.

I have had sight of correspondence in which they state that they would prefer the whole site to be identified within the Matlock All Saints / West Parish.

Personally, I echo these views as the only vehicular route from the site will be into Matlock and that new a community should have a single parish identity.

I am uncertain whether the boundary commission staff have ever visited the Matlock area and I fear that their work is exclusively done as a table top assessment. This does not provide our residents or communities with a satisfactory quality of service.

Can you please advise me how many homes you have accounted for in the Cawdor Quarry development up to 2026?

How can we get the boundary commission to take account of these concerns?

Regards,

Steve.

Steve Wain.

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Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council: Pen Portrait

Background

Review Type	Intervention		
Current Variances (Dec 2017 data)	4 of 25 (16%) wards have a variance outside 10%. 1 ward has a variance outside 20%. This outlier is Ashbourne South ward with a variance of 36%.		
Council Size	39	Expected Range	Median
		31 to 40	35
Governance Model	Committee		
Last Review	Year	1998	
	Council Size	39	
Review Start	November 2019		
Review Team	Lead Commissioner	Amanda Nobbs	
	Review Manager	Richard Buck	
	Review Officer	Paul Nizinskyj	

Electoral Arrangements

Authority Type	Two-Tier District		
Electoral Cycle	Whole		
Next Election	May 2023		
Electorate	57,231		
No. Councillors	39		
Elector/Cllr Ratio	1,467	Expected Range	Median
		1,403 to 2,178	1,614
Electors per 1% Change	15		
No. Wards	25		
Single-Member	16		
Two-Member	4		
Three-Member	5		

Current Political Composition

Conservative	20
Liberal Democrats	8
Labour	6
Independent etc.	3
Green	2

Councillor to Elector Ratios

The table below shows the maximum and minimum numbers of electors per councillor for a given authority type based on December 2017 data. Also shown is the elector to council ratio for Derbyshire Dales. This shows the reader where Derbyshire Dales sits in comparison to councils of the same type.

Authority Type	Elector/Cllr ratio (Min)	Elector/Cllr ratio (Max)	Elector/Cllr ratio (Ave)	Derbyshire Dales District Council
Two-Tier District**	993	3,553	1,954	1,467

** Amber Valley and Bolsover did not return data for December 2017. They have been excluded from these figures.

Electoral Equality

This table shows the current electoral equality for each of the wards in Derbyshire Dales. This table contains the most recent electoral data available to the Commission. It is not the data supplied by the council as part of its forecast. These figures may change between the Pen Portrait and the Draft Recommendations.

Ward Name	No. Cllrs	Electorate 2018	Variance 2018 (%)
Ashbourne North	2	3,009	3
Ashbourne South	2	4,003	36
Bakewell	3	3,766	-14
Bradwell	1	1,505	3
Brailsford	1	1,447	-1
Calver	1	1,478	1
Carsington Water	1	1,564	7
Chatsworth	1	1,339	-9
Clifton & Bradley	1	1,449	-1
Darley Dale	3	4,741	8
Dovedale & Parwich	1	1,353	-8
Doveridge & Sudbury	1	1,546	5
Hartington & Taddington	1	1,372	-7
Hathersage & Eyam	2	3,162	8
Hulland	1	1,531	4
Lathkill & Bradford	1	1,293	-12
Litton & Longstone	1	1,337	-9
Masson	2	2,394	-18
Matlock All Saints	3	4,339	-1
Matlock St. Giles	3	4,300	-2
Norbury	1	1,406	-4
Stanton	1	1,450	-1
Tideswell	1	1,389	-5
Winster & South Darley	1	1,354	-8
Wirksworth	3	4,704	7

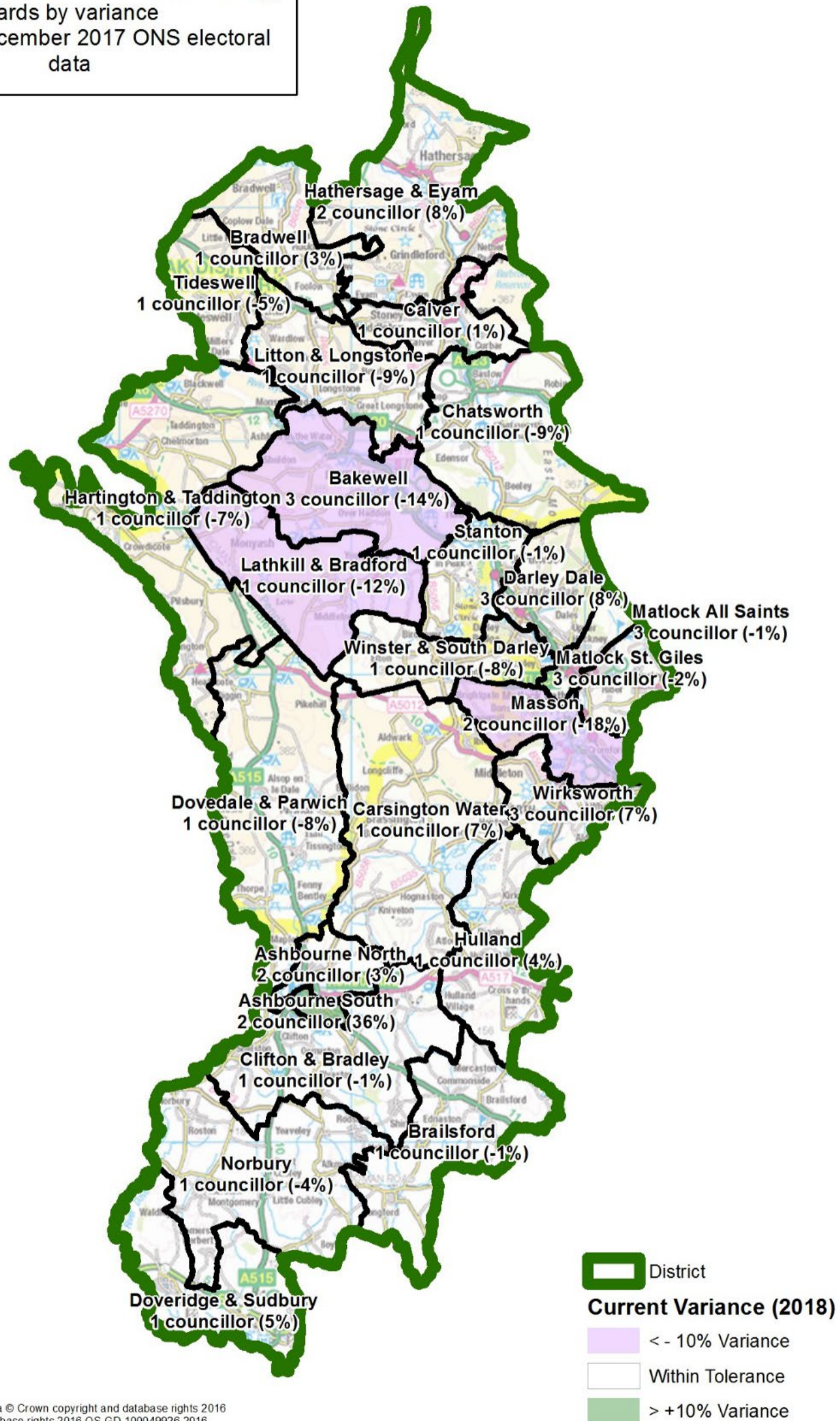
This table summarises how the authority meets the intervention criteria based on the figures above.

Total no. wards	25	
No. / % wards >10%	4	16%
No. / % wards >20%	1	4%
No. / % wards >30%	1	4%

Current Wards by Variance

This map shows the current warding arrangements using the latest electoral data available. This is the data taken from the December 2017 register. Be aware that it may not be the same as either the data that was used when the authority was first identified for review or the current electoral registers held by the authority.

Derbyshire Dales District Council: Existing wards by variance
Based on December 2017 ONS electoral data



Electoral Change

Overall electorate for Derbyshire Dales has decreased by 1% since our records began for the authority in 2011. 16 wards have seen a decrease in the size of their electorate in that time with the largest reduction in Tideswell. This ward has reduced by 8.5%. Nine wards have seen an increase in the size of their electorate with the largest increase to the electorate in Ashbourne South. This ward has grown by 9%.

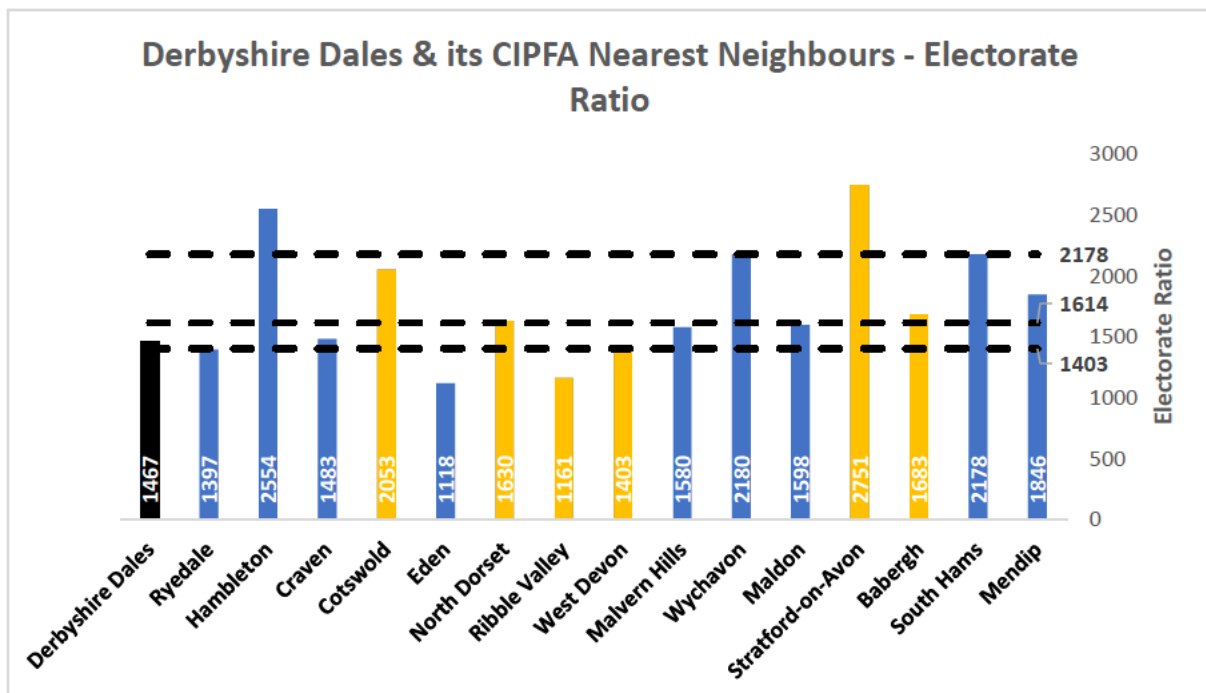
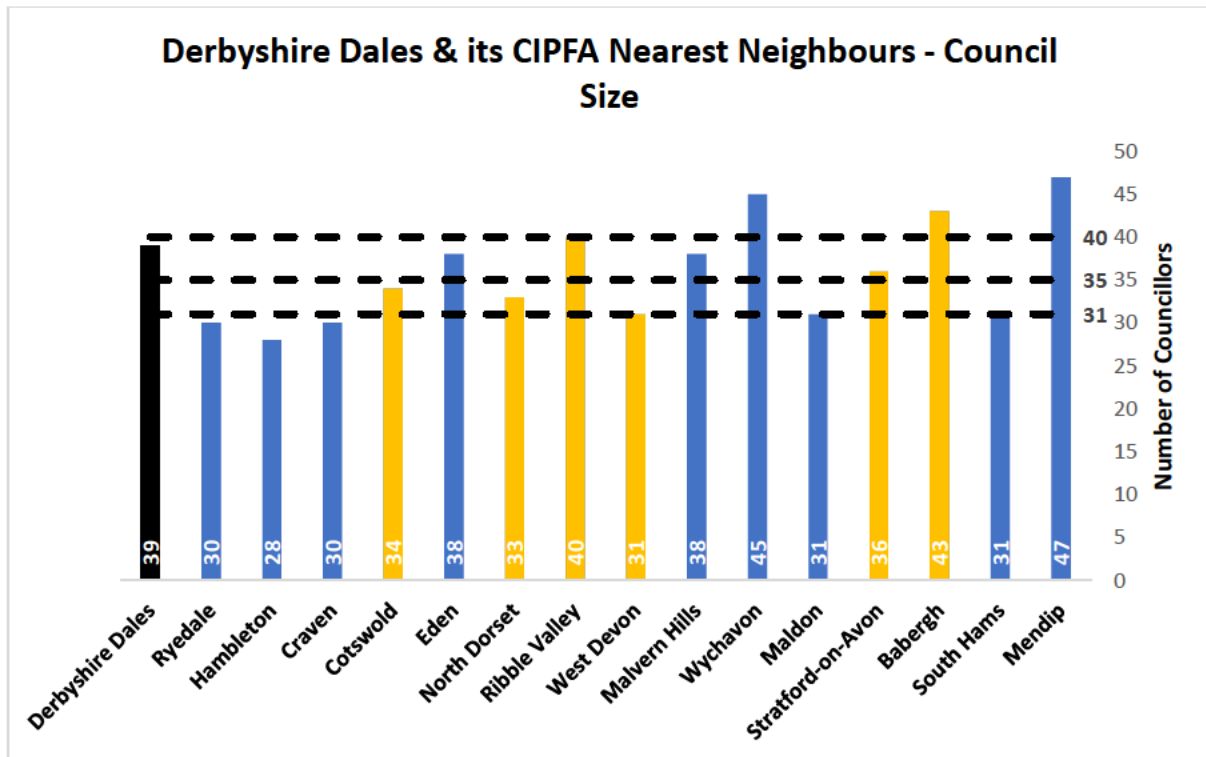
	2011	2018
Electorate	57,788	57,231
Percentage change since the base year	100%	-1%

Previous Electoral Review

Review Started	December 1997	
Review Ended	November 1998	
Council Size	39	Stayed the same
No. Wards	25	Stayed the same
Ward Boundaries	20 were modified	Five stayed the same
Election Cycle	Whole	
Full Report	Final Recommendations Report	

CIPFA Neighbours

The CIPFA Neighbours graphs below show Derbyshire Dales' council size and electoral ratios relative to those of other councils that have been identified as statistically. These give a guide as to where their council size fits and if there may be any interest in altering it.



Key Facts

Derbyshire Dales has a population of around 71,800, making it a small district. It shows a trend for no growth. The entire district is parished and its northern part lies in the Peak District National Park. The four largest settlements are Matlock, Ashbourne, Darley Dale and Wirksworth.

The Council is currently under Conservative control. It has been since 1999, having been under NOC from 1995, and Conservative from 1976. At the 2019 elections, the Conservatives lost 9 seats and now control the Council with a majority of 1.

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Chief Executive	Paul Wilson
Leader	Councillor Lewis Rose OBE
Leader of the Opposition	Councillor Mike Ratcliffe
Chairman of the Council	Councillor Jean Monks


MP & MEP Details


Rt Hon Sir Patrick McLoughlin MP	Conservative (Derbyshire Dales)
Jonathan Bullock MEP	Brexit Party (East Midlands)
Annunziata Rees-Mogg MEP	Brexit Party (East Midlands)
Bill Newton Dunn MEP	Liberal Democrat (East Midlands)
Rory Palmer MEP	Labour (East Midlands)
Matthew Patton MEP	Brexit Party (East Midlands)

Chief Executive and Councillor Biographies

Paul Wilson	Chief Executive
	<p>Mr Wilson has been at Derbyshire Dales District Council in several roles since 1994 and started his career in local government straight from school as a trainee.</p> <p>Six years ago, he was appointed Corporate Director and Deputy Chief Executive. He was appointed Chief Executive in May 2018.</p>

Gary Purdy	Leader of the Council & Party Group Leader
	<p>Councillor Gary Purdy is Leader of the Conservative Group and represents Masson ward. He serves on many outside bodies, including the Derby and Derbyshire Strategic Leadership Forum, Derbyshire Economic Partnership District Councils' Network, East Midlands Council, Peak District Partnership, LGA General Assembly and Sheffield City Region.</p> <p>He took over as Leader at the beginning of June 2019 from Councillor Lewis Rose (Leader of the Conservative Group for 45 years and Leader of the Council for much of that time also).</p>

Michael Ratcliffe	Leader of the Labour Group
	<p>Councillor Michael Ratcliffe is a former secondary school teacher in a Derbyshire comprehensive and has been Wirksworth Town Mayor on a number of occasions. He is a Trustee at the National Stone Centre and a member of the town's Twinning and Civic Associations. He currently represents Wirksworth ward.</p>

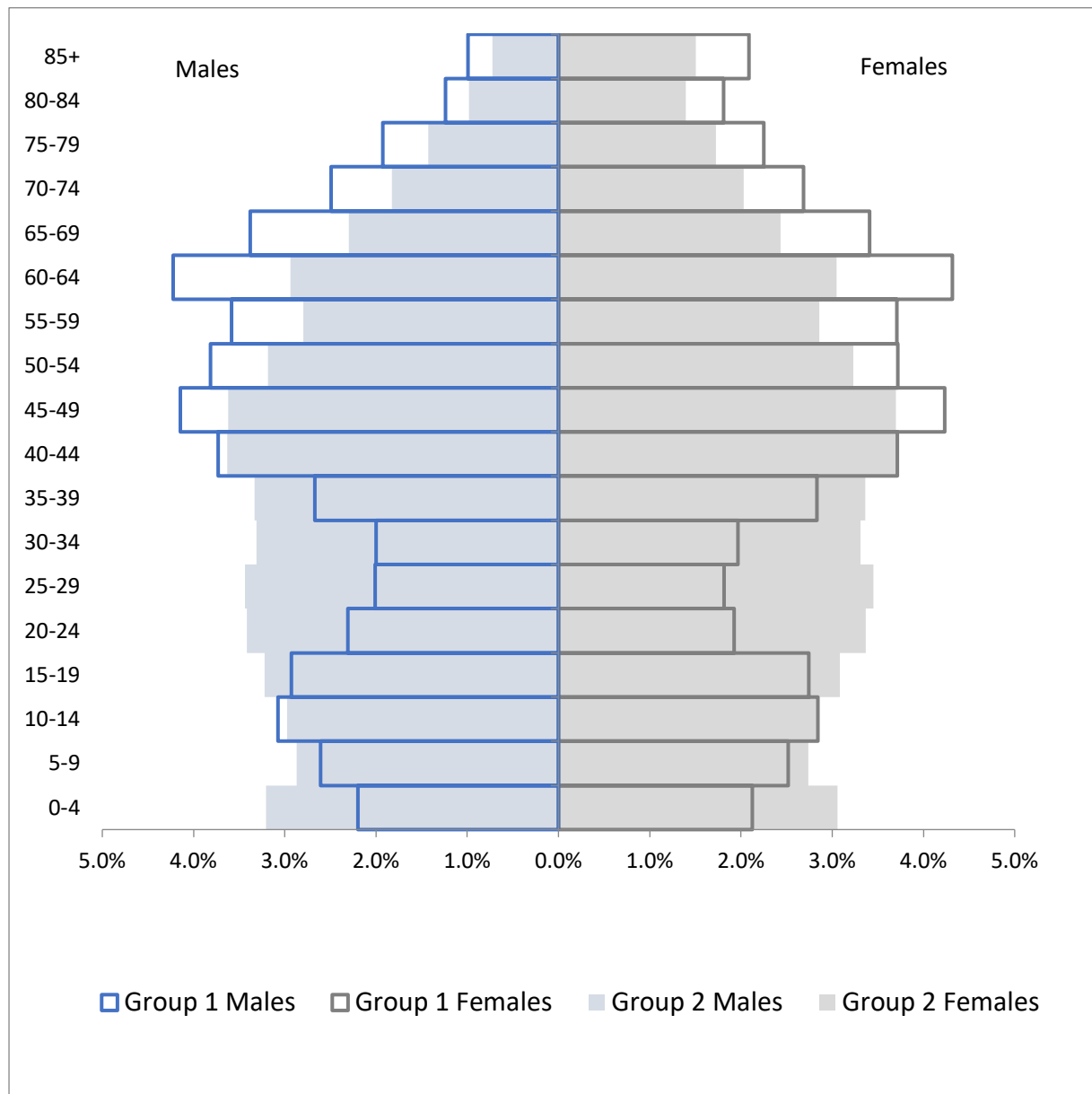
Steve Flitter	Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group
 A portrait of Steve Flitter, a middle-aged man with short grey hair, a mustache, and glasses. He is wearing a light-colored, vertically striped shirt and a dark tie. The background is a solid light blue.	Councillor Steve Flitter was Chairman of the District of Derbyshire Dales for 2017/18. He currently represents Matlock St Giles ward.

Diversity Profiles

Age & Sex

The graph below shows the age profile by sex for the authority. The population aged 45+ is higher than the average expected for England. However, the number of 15-39-year olds is lower than the average. The population for Derbyshire Dales is relatively old to the national average.

Group 1 = Derbyshire Dales | Group 2 = England



Ethnicity & Religion

The table below shows the ethnicity and religion for the population aged 18+ in this authority. The largest percentage of the population, 97% are classified as White British. The next largest ethnic group is White Other, with 1%.

70% of the population aged 18+ give their religion as Christian, and 22% consider themselves to have no religion.

Population aged 18+	Derbyshire Dales			ENGLAND			
	Total+	% 18+	% of total	Total	18+	% 18+	% of total
All people	71,116	81%	100%	53,012,456	41,675,496	79%	100%
ETHNIC GROUP							
White British	68,835	81%	96.9%	42,279,236	33,836,906	80%	81.2%
White Irish	321	91%	0.5%	517,001	483,112	93%	1.2%
White Gypsy or Irish Traveller	15	87%	0.0%	54,895	35,280	64%	0.1%
White Other	946	80%	1.3%	2,430,010	2,022,531	83%	4.9%
Mixed White-Caribbean	130	72%	0.2%	415,616	209,572	50%	0.5%
Mixed White-African	58	53%	0.1%	161,550	76,266	47%	0.2%
Mixed White-Asian	173	42%	0.1%	332,708	161,458	49%	0.4%
Mixed Other	105	70%	0.1%	283,005	155,566	55%	0.4%
Indian	97	81%	0.1%	1,395,702	1,096,752	79%	2.6%
Pakistani	84	86%	0.1%	1,112,282	708,959	64%	1.7%
Bangladeshi	4	100%	0.0%	436,514	269,505	62%	0.6%
Chinese	95	77%	0.1%	379,503	320,395	84%	0.8%
Other Asian	118	80%	0.2%	819,402	611,499	75%	1.5%
African	33	97%	0.1%	977,741	650,573	67%	1.6%
Caribbean	36	100%	0.1%	591,016	471,999	80%	1.1%
Other Black	18	94%	0.0%	277,857	161,709	58%	0.4%
Arab	10	80%	0.0%	220,985	152,145	69%	0.4%
Other	38	84%	0.1%	327,433	251,269	77%	0.6%
RELIGION							
Christian	48,869	83%	70.1%	31,479,876	25,721,735	82%	61.7%
Buddhist	164	88%	0.3%	238,626	206,086	86%	0.5%
Hindu	39	77%	0.1%	806,199	640,123	79%	1.5%
Jewish	56	95%	0.1%	261,282	202,654	78%	0.5%
Muslim	142	86%	0.2%	2,660,116	1,692,021	64%	4.1%
Sikh	34	76%	0.0%	420,196	322,990	77%	0.8%
Other religion	241	90%	0.4%	227,825	205,036	90%	0.5%
No religion	16,477	77%	21.9%	13,114,232	9,768,622	74%	23.4%
Not stated	5,094	79%	7.0%	3,804,104	2,916,229	77%	7.0%

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Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council: Council Size

Report to	Commission Meeting on 18 August 2020
Subject	Cover paper summarising the team's findings regarding the council size for Derbyshire Dales Borough Council
From	Paul Nizinskyj, Review Officer Richard Buck, Review Manager
Commissioner	Amanda Nobbs OBE
Online Resources	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pen Portrait 2. Derbyshire Dales District Council Submission 3. Cllr Peter O'Brien Submission 4. Cllr Clare Gamble Submission 5. Electoral Review Timetable
For Decision	The Commission is invited to consider the council size for Derbyshire Dales District Council

Introduction

1. This is an intervention review. Derbyshire Dales District Council triggers the criteria for an intervention review.
2. The initial meeting was held with the Council in March 2019. Meetings with group leaders, members and parish councils took place on 25 July 2019. At this time, four of the 39 (16%) electoral wards were identified as having electoral imbalances greater than 10%, one of which is greater than 30%, based on the December 2018 electoral figures.

Recommendation

3. The team has considered all the information received regarding the future council size of Derbyshire Dales; the details of which have been summarised below and can be found in full online.
4. The team recommends that if the Commission is content to accept these proposals that it agrees to invite the Council and other interested parties to submit proposals for a pattern of wards based on a council size of 36.

Council Size

	Pre-Review	Team's Recommendation
Council Size	39	36
Percentage change from existing	N/A	-8%

Electoral Figures

	Pre-Review (2018) *	Baseline (2020) **	Forecast (2026)
Electorate	57,231	58,108	61,392
Elector/ Cllr Ratio	1,467	1,614	1,705
	Expected Range*: 1,403 to 2,178		Median*: 1,614
Electors per 1% Change	15	16	17

* Council size is as Pre-Review.

** Council size as per Team's Recommendation.

Electoral Forecasts

- The Council used the Commission's forecasting tool and took its baseline data from the January 2020 electoral register. The existing ratio between dwellings and electors was used to forecast elector growth in new developments. This was augmented by ONS mid-2018 population data and 18+ population forecasts. The Council predicts a total of 2,328 dwellings will be developed by 2026 and that these forecasts predict a growth in the Derbyshire Dales electorate of 5.7% between 2020 and 2026.
- The Council is a small authority with limited resources, so the data was compiled on its behalf by Derbyshire County Council. Based on this data, council officers initially recommended a council size of 33 members, and were due to present the draft submission to councillors for ratification on 2 July 2020. However, Cllr Peter O'Brien identified the omission of a 30-dwelling planned development in Bakewell, which required the vote to be delayed until 15 July 2020, when a draft submission for 34 members was presented following a correction of the error.
- In their submissions, both Cllr O'Brien and Cllr Clare Gamble maintain that further significant planned developments in the Peak District National Park – which covers the northern half of the borough – have been omitted. However, this principally concerns developments of fewer than 10 dwellings. The team has examined the Council's forecasts and methodology and are content that they represent the best information available at this time.

Submissions

- The Commission received three submissions regarding the future council size for Derbyshire Dales during the preliminary period of the review.

Respondent	Size	Change
Derbyshire Dales District Council	34	Reduction of five from 39 members.
Cllr Peter O'Brien (Labour Group)	36 to 37	Disputes Council's forecast and governance/workload evidence. Proposal for 37 members, or 36 with the right boundaries.
Cllr Clare Gamble (Green /Independent Group)	36 to 37	In support of Cllr O'Brien's submission for a reduction of two or three members.

10. Derbyshire Dales District Council's submission was developed by officers and considered and agreed at a full council meeting on 15 July 2020 – with members voting 20-14 in favour of a council size of 34. The vote split along party lines.
11. Cllr Peter O'Brien's proposal was submitted following an unsuccessful amendment to the motion, which was moved by Cllr Gary Purdy of the Liberal Democrat Group, and defeated by 14-20 votes. His proposal, which was supported by a separate submission by Cllr Clare Gamble, argued for a council size of 37, or 36 with revised boundaries.

Analysis

12. The team considered that, given Derbyshire Dales is a small authority with limited capacity, the Council made a reasonable submission. It outlined that the authority has operated a committee system since before its last review in 1998 and that, while formal scrutiny and overview functions were dismantled in 2012, these continue to be exercised by the cross-party committees themselves, 'start and finish' groups and member workshops. Almost a quarter of members (23%) hold positions of special responsibility such as chairing committees.
13. The submission highlighted the largescale officer delegation and service outsourcing conducted by the Council in 2000 and 2016 and argued that this had significantly reduced councillor workload. Furthermore, a recent councillor survey was used to demonstrate that members make little to no use of ward surgeries, with the majority preferring to use email to manage casework and communicate with residents. The same survey found members spent an average of 42 hours a week exercising their duties as a councillor, compared to the national average of 22 hours a week – 62% of which was spent on committee meetings and casework.
14. The team was concerned, however, that alternative council sizes were not explored in the submission – despite the summary claiming that they had been "discounted". This concern was shared by Cllr Peter O'Brien in his submission, which the team considered an effective critique of the Council's evidence and conclusions, though not in itself a comprehensive evidence base for his desired council size of 37 (or 36 "following adjustments to ward boundaries") – a point admitted in section 1.2 of the submission.

15. Cllr O'Brien argues that an increase in delegation and outsourcing does not necessarily entail a commensurate reduction in workload, as members remain responsible for the services in question, and are the first point of contact for residents when issues arise – as well as overseeing and scrutinising delivery. He also used members' expenses to argue that a mileage increase of 64% in five years suggested an increase in workload during that time.
16. The team also noted Cllr O'Brien's argument that even maintaining a council size of 39 would necessitate the transfer of members from rural to urban areas – with the electorate in the latter growing and the former shrinking – and that rural members' workloads and travel would inevitably increase with the greater number of parish councils in their enlarged wards. Cllr Clare Gamble's submission was made in support of Cllr O'Brien's and made many of the same points. Both disputed the Council's forecast methodology, noting development omissions from Peak District National Park areas and algorithm anomalies, as well as arguing that developments of fewer than 10 dwellings were significant in these areas.

Key Points for Consideration

17. The team wishes the Commission to take note of the following items in the submissions made:
 - All submissions recognise the extensive delegation and outsourcing of Council business. However, Cllrs O'Brien and Gamble dispute the extent to which this has reduced workload for councillors. The member survey suggests members already have a relatively high workload under the current council size of 39;
 - Cllr O'Brien has used empirical evidence to support his argument regarding councillor workload (mileage expenses), whereas the Council relied on a subjective survey conducted immediately after the 2019 elections, which returned many new members;
 - All three submissions propose a reduction in council size. However, both councillors express concern that a council size of 34 could create oversized rural wards in which members would be stretched.
 - The team was initially concerned by the lack of information in the Council's draft submission on how policy and services were scrutinised following the disbanding of the overview and scrutiny function in 2012. However, this was included in the final submission after we sought further information.

Equalities

18. The Commission has looked at how it carries out reviews under the guidelines set out in Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. It has made best endeavours to ensure that people with protected characteristics can participate in the review process and is sufficiently satisfied that no adverse equality impacts will arise as a result of the outcome of the review.

Conclusion

19. The team has read and carefully considered all the points made in the submissions received. It is of the view that Cllr O'Brien's submission provides sufficient evidence against the Council's recommendation of 34 councillors, though not necessarily for a council size of 37. The team is of the view that all three submissions have provided sufficient evidence to justify a reduction in council size, but the team is concerned that the Council's proposal may constitute too great a reduction. The team is therefore proposing the Commission be minded to agree the smaller of Cllrs O'Brien and Gamble's recommendations – a council size of 36.

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**Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council:
Draft Recommendations**

Report to	Commission Meeting on 19 January 2021
Subject	Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council - Draft Recommendations
From	Paul Nizinskyj, Review Officer Richard Buck, Review Manager
Commissioner	Amanda Nobbs OBE
Appendices	1. Draft Recommendations Report 2. Summary of Submissions
Online Resources	1. Submissions 2. Online Mapping 3. Pen Portrait 4. Electoral Review Timetable
For Decision	The Commission is invited to consider the Draft Recommendations for this authority

Introduction

1. This is an intervention review. Derbyshire Dales District Council triggers the criteria for an intervention review.
2. The initial meeting was held with the Council in March 2019. At this time, four of the 25 (16%) electoral wards were identified as having electoral imbalances based on the December 2018 electoral figures. One ward, Ashbourne South, had a variance of 36%

Recommendation

3. The Draft Recommendations propose a mixed pattern of wards with 12 single-councillor wards, five two-councillor wards and four three-councillor wards. None of the wards will have an electoral variance outside of $\pm 10\%$ of the average for the council by 2026.
4. The team recommends that if the Commission is content to accept these proposals then it agree to open the public consultation on these Draft Recommendations.

Council Size

	Pre-Review	Initial Recommendation	Draft Recommendations
Council Size	39	34	34
Percentage change from existing	N/A	-13%	-13%

Electoral Figures

	Pre-Review (2019) *	Baseline (2020) **	Forecast (2026)
Electorate	57,231	58,108	61,392
Elector/ Cllr Ratio	1,467	1,709	1,806
	Expected Range*: 1,403 to 2,178		Median*: 1,614
Electors per 1% Change	15	17	18

* Council size is as Pre-Review.

** Council size as per Team's Recommendation.

Warding Arrangement

	Pre-Review	Draft Recommendations
Total no. wards	25	21
Single-Member	16	12
Two-Member	4	5
Three-Member	5	4

Electoral Forecasts

- The Council has prepared electorate forecasts which indicate an increase of 6% between 2020 and 2026. The Council used our Polling District Forecasting Tool to provide the electoral figures for this review.
- Two submissions were received during consultation that challenged the electoral figures put forward by the Council. Cllr Martin Burfoot, of the Liberal Democrat group, made a submission in support of the group's submitted scheme, but argued that the Council had underestimated the amount of new developments which will be completed by 2026 in Matlock All Saints. However, no evidence was submitted to support this. A resident also questioned what she considered to be too low an increase in the electorate of Bradwell, citing a planned housing development. However, this development was included in the Council's forecast and, as Bradwell is a highly rural and sparsely populated ward, it is likely to suffer from a natural decline.

7. The team believes that the electoral forecasts continue to represent the best available information and have no immediate concerns.

Submissions

8. The Commission received 52 submissions during the initial consultation period. The submissions are summarised at Appendix 2 of this document, and page 33 of the long report. They are available in full online.
9. Three full schemes were received from the Derbyshire Dales Conservative Group (the Conservatives), and the Derbyshire Dales Constituency Labour Party (Labour). We also received a district-wide scheme that was supported by the Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats, four Liberal Democrat councillors, two residents (one of which, a Liberal Democrat activist, identified himself as an author of the scheme), and Labour councillor Peter O'Brien. Green councillor Clare Gamble submitted a variation of this scheme in which Brushfield parish and its 14 electors were moved from one ward to another, which she claimed had the support of the scheme's other backers.
10. Given that this scheme was supported by a range of local political representatives, for the purposes of the report, we have referred to it as the cross-party scheme. The cross-party scheme has been used as the basis of the Draft Recommendations with some modifications, both to reflect other evidence received or provide for a better balance of our statutory criteria. The Conservative scheme suffered from a number of defects discussed in the report while the Labour scheme, though similar to the cross-party scheme, included a 26% electoral variance.

Key Points for Consideration

11. The team wishes the Commission to take particular note of the following items in the long report found at Appendix 1. These key items are also reflected in the StoryMap accompanying this report:
 - Substantial changes made to the submitted schemes in the areas of Matlock, Cromford, Darley Dale, and Stanton, in response to evidence received and to better balance our statutory criteria (paragraphs 49 - 54)
 - The related rearrangement of Bakewell and Bonsall & Winster wards (paragraphs 42 - 46)
 - Changes made to the submitted schemes in the wards of White Peak and Wirksworth & Carsington Water in response to evidence received (paragraphs 55 - 59)
 - The reallocation of 394 electors from Ashbourne South ward to Ashbourne North ward (paragraph 60)

Equalities

12. The Commission has looked at how it carries out reviews under the guidelines set out in Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. It has made best endeavours to ensure that people with protected characteristics can participate in the review process and is sufficiently satisfied that no adverse equality impacts will arise as a result of the outcome of the review.

Conclusion

13. The team has read and carefully considered all the points made in the submissions received. It is of the view that these Draft Recommendations offer the best balance of the statutory criteria based on the evidence received.

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Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council: Final Recommendations

Report to	Commission Board Meeting on 15 June 2021			
Subject	Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council - Final Recommendations.			
From	Paul Nizinskyj, Review Officer Richard Buck, Review Manager.			
Commissioner	Amanda Nobbs OBE			
Appendices	1. Final Recommendations Report 2. Summary of Submissions			
Online Resources	1. Submissions 2. Online Mapping 3. Draft Recommendations 4. Pen Portrait 5. Electoral Review Timetable			
For Decision	The Commission Board is invited to consider the Final Recommendations for this authority.			
Long report status (at dispatch)	Figures audited*	Y	Report audited	N

*figures are always audited prior to the Board meeting itself.

Introduction

1. This is an intervention review. Derbyshire Dales District Council triggers the criteria for an intervention review.
2. The initial meeting was held with the Council in March 2019. At this time, four of the 25 (16%) electoral wards were identified as having electoral imbalances based on the December 2018 electoral figures. One ward, Ashbourne South, had a variance of 36%.

Recommendation

3. The Final Recommendations propose a mixed pattern of wards with 10 single-councillor wards, six two-councillor wards and four three-councillor wards. None of the wards will have an electoral variance outside of $\pm 10\%$ of the average for the council by 2026.

- The team recommends that if the Commission Board is content to accept these proposals then it agree to publish these Final Recommendations, and to lay the draft Order before Parliament. The Order will bring these recommendations into effect ahead of the local elections in 2023.

Council Size

	Pre-Review	Initial Recommendation	Draft Recs	Final Recs
Council Size	39	34	34	34
Percentage change from existing	N/A	-13%	-13%	-13%

Electoral Figures

	Pre-Review (2019) *	Baseline (2020) **	Forecast (2026)
Electorate	57,231	58,108	61,392
Elector/ Cllr Ratio	1,467	1,709	1,806
	Expected Range*: 1,403 to 2,178		Median*: 1,614
Electors per 1% Change	15	17	18

* Council size is as Pre-Review.

** Council size as per Team's Recommendation.

Warding Arrangement

	Pre-Review	Draft Recommendations	Final Recommendations
Total no. wards	25	21	20
Single-Member	16	12	10
Two-Member	4	5	6
Three-Member	5	4	4

Electoral Forecasts

- The Council prepared electorate forecasts which indicate an increase of 6% between 2020 and 2026. The Council used our Polling District Forecasting Tool to provide the electoral figures for this review.
- The team did not receive any submissions during consultation that challenged the electoral figures put forward by the Council. However, in March 2021, we were informed by the Council that forecast housing developments for two polling districts in Ashbourne had been misallocated in the Council's original forecast.. This error has been corrected in our final recommendations and does not affect the overall forecast increase.

7. The team believes that the electoral forecasts, as revised, represent the best available information and has no immediate concerns.

Submissions

8. The Commission received 51 submissions during the initial consultation period. These submissions are available in full online.
9. The Commission received 201 submissions during the second consultation period. The submissions are summarised at Appendix 2 of this document, and page 33 of the long report. They are also available in full online.
10. One full scheme was received from a multi-party group of councillors, which made several proposed changes to our draft recommendations. Elements of this scheme have been incorporated into the Final Recommendations with some modifications either to reflect other evidence received or provide for a better balance of our statutory criteria.

Key Points for Consideration

11. The team wishes the Commission Board to take note of the following items in the long report found at Appendix 1:
 - A minor adjustment to the boundaries of Bradwell and Hathersage wards (paragraphs 42-43);
 - The creation of a Youlgrave ward incorporating parts of the draft Bakewell, Stanton, and Bonsall & Winster wards (paragraphs 45-48);
 - The recommendations for Darley Dale, Masson, Matlock East & Tansley, and Matlock West wards (paragraphs 50-56);
 - A related adjustment to the Wirksworth & Carsington Water ward (paragraph 58);
 - A minor alteration to the boundary between Ashbourne North and Ashbourne South, based on a correction to the forecast in this area.

Equalities

12. The Commission has looked at how it carries out reviews under the guidelines set out in Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. It has made best endeavours to ensure that people with protected characteristics can participate in the review process and is sufficiently satisfied that no adverse equality impacts will arise as a result of the outcome of the review.

Conclusion

13. The team has read and carefully considered all the points made in the submissions received. The team is of the view these Final Recommendations offer the best balance of the statutory criteria based on the evidence received.

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Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council: Further Draft Recommendations

Report to	Commission Board Meeting on 17 August 2021			
Subject	Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council – Further Draft Recommendations.			
From	Paul Nizinskyj, Review Officer Richard Buck, Review Manager.			
Commissioner	Amanda Nobbs OBE			
Appendices	1. New Draft Recommendations Report 2. Summary of Submissions			
Online Resources	1. Submissions 2. Online Mapping 3. Pen Portrait 4. Electoral Review Timetable			
For Decision	The Commission Board is invited to consider the Further Draft Recommendations for this authority.			
Long report status (at dispatch)	Figures audited*	Y	Report audited	N

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Introduction

1. This is an intervention review. Derbyshire Dales District Council triggers the criteria for an intervention review.
2. The initial meeting was held with the Council in March 2019. At this time, four of the 25 (16%) electoral wards were identified as having electoral imbalances based on the December 2018 electoral figures. One ward, Ashbourne South, had a variance of 36%.
3. Following publication of the Final Recommendations on 29 June 2021, the team’s attention was drawn to a miscalculation in the electorate for the wards of Brailsford, Wirksworth & Carsington Water, Ashbourne North and Hlland. The electoral variances in the last two of these wards were such that the Board considered it necessary to revisit the recommendations and consult on Further Draft Recommendations. It should be noted that, by

law, the Board cannot simply revoke its original Final Recommendations and republish – it **must** first publish a set of Further Draft Recommendations and seek representations on them. In light of this the Board does not need to rescind its original Final Recommendations that were published in June. However, it must rescind its decision in June to lay an order in Parliament giving effect to those recommendations.

Recommendation

4. The Further Draft Recommendations propose a mixed pattern of wards with 10 single-councillor wards, six two-councillor wards and four three-councillor wards. None of the wards will have an electoral variance outside of $\pm 10\%$ of the average for the council by 2026.
5. The Board is asked to formally revoke its decision of 15 June 2021 agreeing to the laying of a draft statutory instrument in Parliament which would give effect to the original Final Recommendations published on 29 June 2021.
6. The team proposes that if the Board is content to accept the Further Draft Recommendations, then it agree to open the public consultation on them prior to agreeing a fresh set of Final Recommendations at its December 2021 meeting.

Council Size

	Pre-Review	Initial Rec	Draft Recs	Final Recs	Further Draft Recs
Council Size	39	34	34	34	34
Percentage change from existing	N/A	-13%	-13%	-13%	-13%

Electoral Figures

	Pre-Review (2019) *	Baseline (2020) **	Forecast (2026)
Electorate	57,231	58,108	61,392
Elector/ Cllr Ratio	1,467	1,709	1,806
	Expected Range*: 1,403 to 2,178		Median*: 1,614
Electors per 1% Change	15	17	18

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** Council size as per Team's Recommendation.

Warding Arrangement

	Pre-Review	Draft Recs	Original Final Recs	Further Draft Recs
Total no. wards	25	21	20	20
Single-Member	16	12	10	10
Two-Member	4	5	6	6
Three-Member	5	4	4	4

Electoral Forecasts

7. The Council prepared electorate forecasts which indicate an increase of 6% between 2020 and 2026. The Council used our Polling District Forecasting Tool to provide the electoral figures for this review.
8. The team did not receive any submissions during consultation that challenged the electoral figures put forward by the Council. However, in March 2021, we were informed by the Council that forecast housing developments for two polling districts in Ashbourne had been misallocated in the Council's original forecast. This error has been corrected in the Further Draft recommendations and does not affect the overall forecast increase.
9. The team believes that the electoral forecasts, as revised, represent the best available information and has no immediate concerns.

Submissions

10. The Commission received 51 submissions during the initial consultation period. These submissions are available in full online.
11. The Commission received 200 submissions during the second consultation period. The submissions are summarised at Appendix 2 of this document, and page 39 of the long report. They are also available in full online.
12. One full scheme was received from a multi-party group of councillors, which made several proposed changes to our original Draft Recommendations. Elements of this scheme were incorporated into the original Final Recommendations with some modifications either to reflect other evidence received or provide for a better balance of our statutory criteria. These Further Draft Recommendations are identical to the original Final Recommendations agreed by the Board at its 15 June 2021 meeting, except in the Ashbourne and Hulland areas to ensure good electoral equality.

Key Points for Consideration

13. The team wishes the Board to take particular note of the following items in the long report found at Appendix 1:

- The transfer of Mercaston parish from Brailsford ward to Hulland ward (paragraph 66);
- The reversion to our Draft Recommendations for the boundary between Ashbourne North and Ashbourne South (paragraphs 67-68).

Equalities

14. The Commission has looked at how it carries out reviews under the guidelines set out in Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. It has made best endeavours to ensure that people with protected characteristics can participate in the review process and is sufficiently satisfied that no adverse equality impacts will arise as a result of the outcome of the review.

Conclusion

15. The team has read and carefully considered all the points made in the submissions received. The team is of the view these Further Draft Recommendations offer the best balance of the statutory criteria based on the evidence received.

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Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council: Final Recommendations

Report to	Commission Board Meeting on 14 December 2021			
Subject	Electoral Review of Derbyshire Dales District Council - Final Recommendations.			
From	Paul Nizinskyj, Review Officer Richard Buck, Review Manager.			
Commissioner	Amanda Nobbs OBE			
Appendices	1. Final Recommendations Report 2. Summary of Submissions			
Online Resources	1. Submissions 2. Online Mapping 3. Draft Recommendations 4. Final Recommendations 5. New Draft Recommendations 6. Pen Portrait 7. Electoral Review Timetable			
For Decision	The Commission Board is invited to consider the Final Recommendations for this authority.			
Long report status (at dispatch)	Figures audited*	Y	Report audited	N

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Introduction

1. This is an intervention review. Derbyshire Dales District Council triggers the criteria for an intervention review.
2. The initial meeting was held with the Council in March 2019. At this time, four of the 25 (16%) electoral wards were identified as having electoral imbalances based on the December 2018 electoral figures. One ward, Ashbourne South, had a variance of 36%.
3. Following the publication of our final recommendations in June 2021, the Commission received a communication from two local stakeholders which

drew our attention to a number of issues within the final recommendations report. There were found to be several discrepancies between the published mapping and the forecast electorates for the proposed wards which were due to the misallocation of parishes during the calculation of electoral equality. As the Commission has no power under legislation to amend published final recommendations, a set of new draft recommendations were published and consulted upon between August and October 2021.

Recommendation

4. The Final Recommendations propose a mixed pattern of wards with 13 single-councillor wards, three two-councillor wards and five three-councillor wards. None of the wards will have an electoral variance outside of $\pm 10\%$ of the average for the council by 2027.
5. The team recommends that if the Board is content to accept these proposals then it agree to publish these Final Recommendations, and to lay the draft Order before Parliament. The Order will bring these recommendations into effect ahead of the local elections in 2023.

Council Size

	Pre-Review	Initial Rec	Draft Recs	Initial Final Recs	New Draft Recs	Final Recs
Council Size	39	34	34	34	34	34
Percentage change from existing	N/A	-13%	-13%	-13%	-13%	-13%

Electoral Figures

	Pre-Review (2019) *	Baseline (2020) **	Forecast (2027)
Electorate	57,231	58,108	61,392
Elector/ Cllr Ratio	1,467	1,709	1,806
	Expected Range*: 1,403 to 2,178		Median*: 1,614
Electors per 1% Change	15	17	18

* Council size is as Pre-Review.

** Council size as per Team's Recommendation.

Warding Arrangement

	Pre-Review	Draft Recs	Initial Final Recs	New Draft Recs	Final Recs
Total no. wards	25	21	20	20	21
Single-Member	16	12	10	10	13

Two-Member	4	5	6	6	3
Three-Member	5	4	4	4	5

Electoral Forecasts

6. The Council prepared electorate forecasts which indicate an increase of 6% between 2020 and 2026. The Council used our Polling District Forecasting Tool to provide the electoral figures for this review.
7. The team did not receive any submissions during consultation that challenged the electoral figures put forward by the Council. However, a large planned development expected to cross the parish boundaries of Matlock and South Darley was raised in several submissions. While details of this development were supplied to us by the Council in the form of data and polygons, it did not appear to be reflected in the forecast. Enquiries with the Council confirmed that the development would not be completed within the forecast period.
8. Given the extension to the review and the need to publish a set of new draft recommendations, the end of this review has been delayed from mid-2021 to January 2022. Given this, we are content that the forecasts originally provided for 2026 provide a reasonable estimate of forecast electors for early 2027. The team believes that the electoral forecasts continue to represent the best available information and have no immediate concerns.

Submissions

9. The Commission received 51 submissions during the initial consultation period. These submissions are available in full online.
10. The Commission received 200 submissions during the second consultation period. These submissions are available in full online.
11. The Commission received 59 submissions during the consultation on the new draft recommendations. The submissions are summarised at Appendix 2 of this document, and page 33 of the long report. They are also available in full online.
12. One full and one partial schemes were received from Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats and Wirksworth councillors Dawn Greatorex, Mike Ratcliffe and Peter Slack, respectively. These have been used as the basis of the Final Recommendations with some minor modifications either to reflect other evidence received or provide for a better balance of our statutory criteria.

Key Points for Consideration

13. The team wishes the Board to take note of the following items in the long report found at Appendix 1:

- The division of our previously proposed Masson ward between Bonsall & Winster, Cromford & Matlock Bath and Wirksworth wards (paragraphs 48-49);
- Changes to our proposed Darley Dale, Matlock East & Tansley and Matlock West wards (paragraphs 50-53);
- A smaller proposed Youlgrave ward than in our new draft recommendations and the transfer of two parishes to Bakewell ward (paragraphs 45-47);
- Changes to our proposed Hlland and Wirksworth wards (paragraphs 54-56);
- The addition of two parishes to our previously proposed Ashbourne North ward and a minor change to the boundary with Ashbourne South ward (paragraphs 57-58).

Equalities

14. The Commission has looked at how it carries out reviews under the guidelines set out in Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. It has made best endeavours to ensure that people with protected characteristics can participate in the review process and is sufficiently satisfied that no adverse equality impacts will arise as a result of the outcome of the review.

Conclusion

15. The team has read and carefully considered all the points made in the submissions received. The team is of the view these Final Recommendations offer the best balance of the statutory criteria based on the evidence received.

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Appendix B: Derbyshire Dales District Council Submissions log

No.	Key	Organisation	Position	Comments
Political Groups				
1	48502	Derbyshire Dales Conservative Group		Please see the PDF attachment for DDDC Conservative Group submission.
2	48513	Derbyshire Dales Constituency Labour Party		The attached file shows the Derbyshire Dales Constituency Labour Party (DDCLP) submission to the review of the Ward boundaries for the Derbyshire Dales District Council that is currently being undertaken. This review is of critical importance to the maintenance of local democracy in Derbyshire Dales to ensure that local residents have elected representatives who are closely connected to their local area and can take up issues on behalf of residents to improve local services, ensure equal access to opportunities and enhance the strong sense of community that exists in the Dales. The proposal from DDCLP has been carefully considered and is summarised as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sees the number of District councillors reduced to 34 • Ensures that there is a fairer proportion of electors per councillor than currently exists. The proposed range is from 1,628 electors per councillor to 2,280 with an average of 1,819 • Takes account of local geography and brings together villages and communities that have a natural and historical connection • Ensures that there is a balance between the market towns in the District and the rural communities • Recognises the extent of the geographic area that the District covers and ensures that no areas are marginalised in terms of representation. We look forward to hearing the outcome of your review.
3	48417	Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats		We the undersigned support the attached proposal for the revised ward boundaries in Derbyshire Dales. We made the proposal available for public scrutiny on our website and have acted on suggestions made. We have consulted with other parties and believe that these boundaries are fair and balanced.
Parish Councils				
4	48388	Bakewell Town Council		The Consultation on new electoral arrangements was considered at a recent meeting where it was resolved to recommend the status quo by retaining three District Councillors for Bakewell.
5	47508	Bonsall Parish Council		The Parish Council falls within the Masson electoral ward of the District Council. At their meeting on 15th September 2020 the Parish Council considered the potential for reduction in the number of ward Councillors for the Masson ward arising from the review. After discussion it was agreed to write to the Boundary Commission to express the preference of the Parish Council for retention of the current Masson ward representation by two District Councillors. This was on the basis that the current system allowed good representation and support for the work of the Parish Council, and that having two Councillors enabled mutual cover to be provided on local issues, whereas a single Councillor would be less able to similarly represent the interests of the Parishes and populations within the ward. I would be grateful if these views were taken into account as part of the review process.
6	45404	Cromford Parish Council		This matter was discussed at a meeting of Cromford Parish Council last week and the Council have asked me to write to you and suggest that Homesford become part of the Masson Ward.
7	46611	Hathersage Parish Council		We argue that there is a strong case for maintenance of the status quo in our case but cannot suggest any entirely painless solutions for Derbyshire Dales since there are many cases where current ward numbers are such that some break up of current wards is unavoidable (eg on the basis of two councillors to two current wards plus a parish from a third current ward) if voter numbers per councillor are to be maintained at around 1800. <p>As stated earlier, we urge the Commission to decide wherever possible on wards with two councillors.</p> <p>Hathersage Parish Council has decided that it would be invidious to endeavour to persuade the Commission towards any specific decisions meeting the needs of Hathersage at the expense of other parishes (other than the status quo or a new ward with two councillors) but perusal of the data made available to us suggests that the best opportunities for ward boundary realignment in the north of the District are likely to fall down the east, and separately down the west.</p>
8	45402	Middleton & Smerrill Parish Council		Middleton and Smerrill parish lies in the Peak District National Park and is a farming community. It considers that any boundary changes need to combine like parishes in order to ensure representation reflects village issues and the area in which we live and work. Combinations including towns and outside the National Park boundary should be avoided wherever possible.
9	46607	Northwood & Tinkersley Parish Council		At Northwood and Tinkersley Parish Council's meeting this evening, it was agreed that the Parish Council would like to remain in a ward with the Parishes of Rowsley and Stanton in the Peak.
10	45400	Over Haddon Parish Council		Over Haddon Parish Council considers that villages should not be combined with towns as the interests of the town take precedence in the Ward and the Peak Park villages have very similar issues and interests so National Park boundaries are also a useful guide when determining relevant combinations.
11	47510	Stanton in Peak Parish Council		Stanton in Peak Parish Council agreed that it would like to see a grouping based around the access to the common industry of the area – the quarries and foundry. They therefore agreed that the existing grouping of Stanton in Peak, Birchover, Rowsley and Northwood and Tinkersley was best augmented with South Darley and if too large then swapping Northwood and Tinkersley with South Darley the best option as routes through South Darley are crucial for access into the Stanton in Peak Wards of Warren Carr and Stanton Lees. The Council considers that town parishes should not be paired with village parishes as there are too great a difference in their needs and their larger population in practice gains all the attention from its District Councillor to the detriment of the tagged on village parish.

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12	47500	Taddington Parish Council		Taddington Parish Council believes that the decision to reduce to 34 District councillors is misjudged, and that a larger reduction (to less than 34 seats) would be more appropriate. Regarding the Ward boundaries, we urge that any enlargement of Hartington & Taddington Ward be restricted to geography lying south of the River Wye, as there is little natural affinity with places further north such as Tideswell, Litton and Longstone. South of the Wye there is more commonality of interests - as many villages there share the limestone plain, and a number of these could be natural bedfellows for Hartington & Taddington.
13	47516	Youlgrave Parish Council		Youlgrave Parish Council notes that Lathkill and Bradford Ward is one of those short of numbers but that the review is set to lose 5 councillors and is looking at 2 District Councillors per Ward so may widen the areas considerably. On the current deficit basis putting Over Haddon back into the Ward (lost to us at the last review) would be an option and looking at the parochial boundary for Youlgrave which includes Stanton and Birchover another proposition. Grouping like background village parishes is a practical solution and avoiding putting towns with villages as their needs are disparate a given.
Councillors				
14	48492	Martin Burfoot	Derbyshire Dales District Council	I am writing to you with my proposals as an elected member of the Council. I largely agree with the submission from the Liberal Democrat group on the Council, as the main opposition party, but as a Matlock All Saints ward member I believe that the Council's officers have under-estimated the numbers of new dwellings likely to be coming on stream by the threshold deadline in 2026.
15	48498	Clare Gamble	Derbyshire Dales District Council	Please find the attached excel document outlining my suggested ward boundaries, for the proposed review of Derbyshire Dales District Council. Also the attached word document with the rationale behind them.
16	48488	David Hughes	Derbyshire Dales District Council	I am in agreement with the contents of the letter and that it should be sent to the addressee.
17	48433	Peter O'Brien	Derbyshire Dales District Council	Please see below my proposal for the new Wards for DDDC; a written submission and a spreadsheet.
18	48495	Steve Wain	Derbyshire Dales District Council	I reside in the Derbyshire Dales and currently am a Town and District Councillor for the All Saints Ward in Matlock. I'm somewhat disappointed that the District Council did not meet as a Council and agree a preferred option for you to consider. However, I would appreciate it if you would consider the attached option, which I feel is the best option available as we reduce our Councillors from 39 to 34.
Local Organisations				
19	48490	Matlock Civic Association		The Matlock Area has a growing population and, under the Local Plan provisions, this will grow further. Matlock has a steadily increasing proportion of the population of the DDDC area. The Councillor numbers for Matlock Wards should reflect this and make an allowance for the future as another Review is unlikely for many years.
Local Residents				
20	44811			Yes I agree the councillors should be reduced, especially the paid ones. There are fantastic councillors that would do the job for free but are not given the chance due to the politicalness choices of the area. I think there should be a request put out to see if there are any interested parties who would donate their time. I also feel there should be no political parties and there should just be a committee of councillors rather than so many of each party. This works well in many areas and could work well in Derbyshire.
21	47468			I live in Great Longstone and feel my local community is with Ashford and Bakewell. Shopping, activities and services are all all Bakewell. Very little connection to Litton or Cressbrook.
22	47470			My wife and I, who are both retired, live in Monyash. Lathkill and Bradford Ward, with only one councillor feels an unnatural place to sit. We feel our strongest affinities are with Bakewell where we shop and use the health services, and with the rest of the 'Monyash Basin' including Chelmorton, Flagg, and Sheldon where many of our strongest local contacts reside. We have closer affinities with Hartington and the Dove Valley where we use the cycle trails and walk, than with Taddington or Youlgrave which are both beyond the horizon, and which we rarely visit. Perhaps we could group with Hartington and Taddington (preferably renamed: e.g. Dovedale and the Monyash Basin??), or with Bakewell. Either way we are unsure of the need for the single councillor and the Lathkill and Bradford Ward unless there are special requirements of which we are unaware.
23	47472			I live in Hognaston, part of the Carsington Water ward, however half of the valley and reservoir is in the Hlland Council Ward. It would make sense if all of the valley was represented by a single council ward. It should also be noted that very sparsely populated areas do deserve separate councillors rather than just being an adjunct to a major town where their voices are ignored or invisible. I agree with the reduction in wards and councillors
24	47474			I'm currently a resident of Old Hackney Lane, in the Darley Dale ward. I feel this road should become part of Matlock as this is the local shopping area, where we go to get a bus, use various facilities including doctors and dentist and so on.
25	47476			Is there a particular reason for the changes? There has to be a driver for these changes not just change for no reason
26	47478			Go ahead. Reduce the numbers. Thank you
27	47480			For Masson I believe 1 councillor is sufficient. Why do we have 2? As long as the councillor is acting upon the requests of their electorates I feel 1 should be sufficient and MAYBE include Matlock St Giles in with Masson. In that case, 2 would be sufficient.
28	47482			The only problem I can see is the potential failure to notify utility services etc of the change in boundaries. I say this because recently my area was missed out when BT installed fibre to our local area. Apparently they were 'misinformed' about our parish boundary, so now we have to wait a few years before we get the same service as our neighbours a mile away in Bradley village. Very unfair!
29	47484			Darley Dale has more synergy with Winster & South Darley than the other bounding districts. The sense of identity would certainly be lost if joined with Matlock - which has a population probably large enough to warrant remaining as an entity. If the population numbers would not be too great adding Stanton in addition might be geographically indicated.

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30	47486			Maybe it is time to move away from a two tier local government system and move to a unitary authority system with Derbyshire County Council being the UA. Having a UA would reduce the confusion around which authority does what and reduce on-costs for administration etc. Living in the Peak District we have the added complication of a third tier of administration with the Peak District National Park Authority being responsible for planning - adding more confusion
31	47488			It is quite clear that those ward members whose wards are in the National Park have far less responsibility than wards outside the Park . clearly then the simple answer (and fair answer) is to reduce ward in the National Park by at least 3 or perhaps more .Planning Quarrying and many other functions are carried out by PPNP . notDDDC .
32	47490			Tansley should have its own wsrd and district councillor and not be part of Matlock St Giles. The district s probably too small in population to be a viable council but I do not support the cointy taking over everywhere - too remote and inefgicient.
33	47492			Given that we expect a white paper on local government reorganisation later this year, which is expected to abolish two tier councils, then Derbyshire Dales District council will probably not exist in a similar time scale to this boundary revision. Given any new authority will be made up of wards then there will not be a need to further revise the wards in the light of the agreed reorganisation? I appreciate that if the reorganisation is to one authority, the whole County, then this issue goes away. There is no mention of Parishes? These do not need to map to the new wards? I think it would be clearer if they did, so that I was a member of the same ward for both elections - new County and Town council, or that the parish wards add up to a new ward.
34	47494			I am against the redrawing of boundaries as I feel the boundaries as they are are working well in that they are serving the needs of constituents. The review seeks to create areas that have similar numbers of voters. This does not seem like a sensible criteria as the densities of populations vary so much. It will lead to people in areas with lower densities of population being more remote from their representative. To me this waters down democracy at a time (due to Coronavirus and the current dissatisfaction with government) when we need improved representation.
35	47496			Matlock st Giles and Matlock All Saints need to be one
36	47498			Not sure what you want me to say . When I click on Matlock All Saints, I get Darley Dale!!!
37	47502			Would hope to see the Status quo maintained for our District Council as we are currently very well served
38	47504			Please ensure that Yeaveley, a rural village and community, is represented as such by the new approach. We need to respect that rural communities are different to larger conurbations eg Ashbourne.
39	47506			A key issue for consideration should be that rural wards are not subsumed within urban wards. There are key differences between the two and the requirements of their residents. There are scenarios in which parts of rural wards become bolted-on to urban wards and so completely lose their voice. I am all for leaner governance but not at the expense of democracy.
40	47512			I propose we keep our boundaries of Masson ward as the communities within this are closely linked.
41	47514			Whilst appreciating the practical and economic factors for restructuring boundaries I am suspicious that this might become politically motivated. Were this process being undertaken at a time of national stability then the debate around the functionality of local government might be informed rationally; and the negotiation required for fairness and transparency of both rationale and process allowed to evolve by consensus and agreement. However, given that nationally, society has been fractured by the Brexit process and people's lives further unsettled by the Covid crisis then it is difficult to foresee a climate in which such a process can be managed thoroughly or with clear focus on that detail of local democracy which underpins the principles of local government. A true democratic society filters opportunity for influence to the very tips of the national body. However, even our Parliamentary democracy is being eroded in the current climate of social and economic upheaval, a concern to some MP's of all political persuasions. Likewise, the soon to be published White Paper on the restructuring of local government has all the hallmarks of a desire (or is it intention?) by both central government and many county councils to subsume the local capillary network of District and Borough representation beneath their own umbrella of control. This seems to represent a resolve to withdraw local influence from the decision-making process, undermining democracy and representing a drift towards centralised control more akin to a totalitarian state. Under 'normal' circumstances your proposals might represent a reasonable basis for discussion of the future of local democracy in Derbyshire Dales. However, given the wider national picture and the current political direction (which possibly renders your proposals irrelevant anyway), now does not seem the right time to be snipping at the edges of local representation when the blunt scissors of No 10 seem determined to cut it out altogether. I think any proposal for change should be put on hold until the inevitable ramifications of both Covid and Brexit clarify the social, political and economic landscape of the country, not just the Derbyshire Dales.

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42	48360			In response to the Derbyshire Dales News-asking for comments re the above undated but distributed recently The Boundary Commission does not go far enough- Derbyshire Dales and the High Peak Councils should be merged because they reflect the same economic and social profiles, also their Political affiliations match Given that your review simply covers the D Dales proposal to reduce the number of District Councillors by a modest five, I comment that I support the proposal wholeheartedly Why- because my involvement with that Council indicates that the organisation of 'Cabinet positions' closely matches the number of elected Councillors. The need to evaluate measurable performance targets is not done with rigour, as is well understood but rarely acknowledged, Local Authority Structures are heavily weighted to give the impression of Democracy at work' not to a 'modern business efficient' model Also again, as is well known, but carefully by passed in public debate, the structure of the Council closely matches a desire to give every Elected Member a portfolio responsibility (and cynically in some cases the chance to to balance opportunities to draw attendance monies etc) in preference to having a structure that engenders efficiency Comment Modern methods of communication make it possible for the Democratic purpose of the Elected member principle to be fulfilled with fewer District Councillors. This in turn will reduce the number of Cabinet positions hence a good deal less time will be spent needlessly preparing monthly reports, used -as I have observed- used mainly to feed the ego of the Cabined Members, much less with the rigour of management efficiency parameters
43	48398			Please find attached my suggestions for the wards in Derbyshire Dales. This has had some cross party input but I am a member of the Liberal Democrats.
44	48422			We would support the Liberal Democrat suggestions for the new boundaries for Derbyshire Dales District Council, and would like to add our names to the endorsement.
45	48437			I write to confirm that i agree with the new proposals for the new boundaries for Derbyshire Dales.
46	48505			I am far from convinced that there needs to be any change. Derbyshire Dales is covers a large area and the current spread of constituencies for district councillors seems to be fair. I would propose that the boundaries and number of councillors remains the same.
47	48507			The proposed boundary changes to the wards of Derbyshire Dales is not a good idea, since it will reduce the power of the people to make their views heard. The resulting reduction in councillors from 39 to 34, each covering a larger area, will make for less accessibility for local people when they need to voice their concerns. The more councillors familiar with local areas is obviously the way to draw people in and engage them in local issues.
48	48509			I am concerned about the proposed reduction in district councillors from 39 to 34 as I believe it will undermine local democracy at a time when localism and community initiatives are growing. The large geographic spread of rural wards is already an issue as councillors have responsibility form any villages and making the wards larger would have a negative impact on the role councillors can play. I notice that the current electorate for Bradwell, my ward, is listed as 1505 and the future electorate as 1522. Hoe can this be the case when we have a new housing development here (an extra 59 dwellings I believe)? Losing 5 members is not only a democratic deficit, it is 5 fewer people with skills and experience to serve our communities.
49	48511			I do not believe that the number of councillors should be reduced; this suggestion does not take account of the dispersed nature of the wards and villages, nor of forecasts for population growth.We need a good number and variety of people representing the interests of our area, each of whom will have unique experience and skills. You should be making the most of their willingness to serve,rather than reducing their numbers.
50	48516			Reducing the numbers of councillors representation for our district is not the right thing to do at this time. Democracy is being eroded by these boundary changes making it harder for them to fully represent their wards in an effective manner. We need local representation more than ever at a time when localism and community initiatives are growing. Losing five members is not only a democratic deficit it is the loss of five skilled and experienced people serving their communities.
51	48518			I do not understand the need for change. Most areas already have around 1500 people per councillor and it does not appear easy with the villages and towns to easily change this. Derbyshire Dales is a largely rural area and councillors already cover more than one Parish. Surely in this time of increased localism and the government commitment for more devolution of power and continued funding cuts, there does not seem much sense in reducing the councillors, especially as they are unpaid roles to there will be little financial savings.
52	48520			Derbyshire Dales should not have its local councillors reduced from 39 to 34. Our councillors already represent large geographical areas. It may seem to people outside the area that you can draw a geographical border around a number of communities - but that does not take into account that individual communities can be very different from each other. In the Peak District area,particularly some villages are tourist hubs while the neighbouring village rarely sees visitors and their concerns can vary widely. Employment, housing, transport are important issues - it's not always easy to make a living here and councillors need detailed local knowledge to represent us.Reducing the number of councillors reduces our access to democracy and I ask that you do not reduce our local representation.

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Political Groups			
1	Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats		Full scheme.
Councillors			
2	Martin Burfoot	DDDC	I am disappointed to read some of the Commission's revised recommendations, which do suggest a lack of knowledge of the geography of the Derbyshire Dales. In fact, I am surprised that these proposals are put forward without, I assume, a visit to our District and inspection 'on the ground'. My comments are mainly concerned with the recommendations around Matlock, Tansley, Cromford, Matlock Bath, Bonsall, Darley Dale and South Darley (Oker/Snitterton). However, based on the evidence requested and used for predicted housing numbers by 2026, I consider that so many of these appear to be inaccurate and in some cases considerably underestimate the likely scenario subsequently, especially in so much as the larger planned housing developments, allocated in the current Local Plan, will be only partly built, but their progress to completion is obviously dependent on sales and market forces prevalent at that time. Therefore the proposed wards they comprise part of will inevitably grow exponentially after the Commission's arbitrary cut-off date in 2026. I believe that 'future proofing' is key to the success of this exercise, otherwise boundaries will very soon need to be adjusted once again, in order to take account of planned housing developments, especially in the proposed Matlock East ward, given further housing planned in Tansley, as well as a further 100 approx. more electors in apartments about to be built in Causeway Lane, on the edge of Matlock town centre. I believe it is inevitable that the majority of future new dwellings in the District will be located in towns such as Matlock and Darley Dale. The review also fails to take account of 'windfall' sites, which are always a common feature of additional housing in our towns. In particular, here in Matlock, we have the problem of accommodating Derbyshire County Council employees in various satellite offices around the town, not only at County Hall itself. In view of the decline in demand for office space while so many staff continue to work from home, this will inevitably release many mainly substandard buildings ripe for conversion into new homes or 'brownfield' sites, following demolition. The council is already considering the sale of some redundant offices, so subsequent redevelopment is very likely. I am relieved that the Commission's revised recommendations now retain Tansley, with which it is so closely linked, within the proposed Matlock East and Tansley ward. However, I disagree with the Commission's detailed conclusions and suggest alternative solutions
3	Graham Elliott	DDDC	I fully support the revised recommendations and have the full support of my parish councils.
4	Clare Gamble	DDDC	Looking at the new ward boundaries proposed by The Boundary Commission after the last consultation. I feel too much weight has been given to the desire to put Bonsall and Masson together, to the detriment of other communities. Middleton by Wirksworth is one of those communities impacted in a detrimental way, taking them away from Wirksworth which it has deep historical ties with. Therefore, I support the submission by Peter Dobbs, and agree with him that the multi-party submission gives the best overall representation.
5	Dawn Greatorex, Mike Ratcliffe, Peter Slack	DDDC	We would like submit the local information and views on improving the proposed Ward changes, plus Name Changes on the Five DDDC Wards of DDDC on Number, Mapping, Communities and Political fairness and democracy
6	Mike Ratcliffe	DDDC	(Identical to a previous submission)
7	Peter Slack	DDDC	I am emailing you as individual not as a District Council, I've already sent my views with my District Council colleagues on alterations on five wards of Derbyshire Dales district Council. But I would like to express my views on the Wirksworth ward of the Derbyshire Dales District Council. Wirksworth Ward is very different from the vast majority of the Derbyshire Dales District Council Wards It has its links in lead mining originally, quarrying, and the Industrial revolution which started few miles away with Arkwrights First factory systems and quarrying which still part of the area and Also great member of Residence work in Derby at Rolls-Royce and other engineering factories and workshop. So Wirksworth Ward Different as It has constantly elected three labour district councillors, and it's the only ward in the Derbyshire Dales that consistently done this. Most of the 11,975 that voted labour at the last general election did come from this ward of Wirksworth and put Labour in to Second place with 23% of the vote, but this does not produce councillor numbers in district Council As as there is only the three labour councillors on the District Council at the present time. To split the Wirksworth Ward could have dire consequences for the 11,975 residents that voted labour at the last general election and would have No voice for their views at the District Council. Please correct me if I've got it wrong, but I Believe part of your remit is that alterations you make on Wards should not adversary alter the political scene of the Ward that disadvantaging any Party greatly. What I am hearing from my residence that it's obvious to them that this could be happening in the Wirksworth ward as your proposal for the Wirksworth Ward could greatly Affect the political result at the next District Council elections if your proposals were not altered In the Three District Councillors Alternative views sent to you that we Wirksworth would should basically remain as it is with Wirksworth Town, Middleton by Wirksworth, Bolehill, plus Hopton, Carsington and Calow to make variance of Electors 0% and only going to -2% by 2026, in your Proposals this would've been -4% deficit. This ward we suggest could be called (Wirksworth & Carsington Water North Ward).
8	Steve Wain	DDDC	Resubmission of Councillor Burfoot's comments.
Parish and Town Councils			

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9	Ashbourne Town Council		Response from Ashbourne Town Council to the Local Government Boundary Commission For England – New Draft Proposals for Derbyshire Dales. To quote Derbyshire Dales District Council's comments on their website "the proposed changes include minor changes to (the Commission's) proposed wards in the Ashbourne area". We accept that the proposals appear "minor" at District level but are significant, and unacceptable, at Town Council level. Ashbourne Town Council proposes the following alternative for our Ward representation (within the context of the New Draft's suggestion of moving some electors from Ashbourne South to Ashbourne North): Belle Vue Ward 3 (as now) Hilltop Ward 5 (as in New Draft) Parkside Ward 4 (increase by one due to boundary change in the New Draft without creating a 'Compton' Ward) St Oswald's 3 (as now) Response We welcome that the Commission has made reference both in its 'Final' Report and in this New Draft to errors in figures either supplied to or otherwise obtained by the Commission but this does cause some concern for the long-term projections on which the proposals were made. As with an earlier response to the (February) Draft Ashbourne Town Council is very concerned about the effects on our Council that were in the Draft, then removed from the Final Report, and now back in again. To quote Derbyshire Dales District Council's comments on their website "the proposed changes include minor changes to (the Commission's) proposed wards in the Ashbourne area". We accept that the proposals appear "minor" at District level but are significant at Town Council level. (For, hopefully, ease of reference we are using, as relevant, D for the first draft, F, for the 'Final', and ND for this new draft.) ND does not mention the numbers of electors to be transferred from Ashbourne South (District) to Ashbourne North but we have assumed that this is the 394 mentioned in D and in the same location. To quote the Commission's own words (para 64 in ND relating to the Airfield development and the creation of a Parish Ward in Bradley with a small number of electors) "we do not consider this would provide for effective and convenient local government for the electors of the Parish". We wholeheartedly agree with this sentiment in relation to the suggestion of a single member Parish Ward of Compton. D, and to an extent F and ND, mention that wards should follow "clearly defined boundaries and reflect local community identities".
10	Middleton by Wirksworth Parish Council		To the members of the Electoral Boundary Commission: We are very concerned to note that the amended proposals for new boundaries in Derbyshire Dales fail to correct some of the most evident errors in the original proposals and as such refer in particular to the proposal to remove Middleton-by-Wirksworth from the Wirksworth Ward and place it in the Masson Ward along with Cromford, Matlock Bath and Bonsall. Historically, Wirksworth and Middleton have been linked for centuries, with strong connections through lead mining and then quarrying. Indeed, until fairly recently, a significant number of people from both settlements spent their working lives in the quarries that will, in the next few years be the location for large scale planned housing developments under the DDDC Local Plan. This will to all intents effectively turn Wirksworth itself and Middleton-by-Wirksworth into one large conurbation. Politically, for over one hundred years Middleton-by-Wirksworth has been associated with the former Wirksworth Urban District Council. Unfortunately Middleton no longer has any shops and those residents who do not travel to Derby or Matlock do their shopping in Wirksworth. Furthermore children at Middleton Primary School in due course go on to complete their education at Anthony Gell School in Wirksworth. It is also noted, significantly, that Middleton has no transport links to Bonsall. Numerous clubs and associations link the people of Wirksworth and Middleton, for example the Cricket Club, the Wrestling Club, the Football club, the National Stone Centre and Steeple Grange Light Railway. Recently the two communities worked collaboratively in order to gain grant funding to erect war memorials in each of the two locations in commemoration of the centenary of the end of WW1. We would stress that the villages to the south of Wirksworth, which the current proposals suggest should replace Middleton, have very few historic links and in general their populations have closer links to Ashbourne or Duffield. Also when looking at the number of electors in each area, it would appear that keeping Middleton-by-Wirksworth in the Wirksworth Ward instead of replacing it with the southern and western villages and hamlets does give a total electorate within the required range. As far as Masson is concerned, where total numbers are low, this could be remedied by moving Brassington into their electoral division.
11	South Darley Parish Council		We wish to propose a change to the Parish and District boundaries at Cawdor Quarry on the western edge of Matlock.
Local residents			
12	64540		I think Derbyshire Dales Council should get its act together before changing the boundaries between wards. It can't organise any waste or recycling collection. Dates given to residents never happen. Never in my whole life have I experienced such poor service from a Council. None of my family and friends in other parts of the UK are suffering like we are in the Dales. We need to have an immediate re-election of Councillors and a public enquiry into why we have totally inefficient public sector employees. The DDC website does not even have a correct email address for the Ombudsman to which you all should be reported to in a formal manner. Make a sensible decision to postpone the boundary changes and think carefully about getting the basics right before doing anything else.
13	64635		Until any governing authority has an honest and fair reflection through proportional representation, then boundaries are meaningless, unless governing the many through a corrupt sense of privilege for the few is your only aspiration.
14	64678		I am still very disappointed that Wardlow is now linked with Bradwell. It shares no links with Bradwell. All the children go to Longstone School or Litton and secondary school children go to LMS, not Hope Valley. There is no reason given for this change.

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15	64679		The original plan had Old Hackney Lane moved into Matlock. I remember that there was a mention of it. why has this been removed? The Matlock end of OHL relates to Matlock and certainly not to Darley Dale. We haven't even got a notice board. this end and feel forgotten by DD.
16	64680		Seems logical to me and an improvement.
17	64681		As I live and have lived all my life in Youlgrave the new proposals are much better, and thank you for listening to local concerns.
18	64682		I'm very pleased that our village, Middleton by Youlgrave has been included with the other Bradford Dale communities, Youlgrave and Alport. It mke sense that other Peak District communities like Moneyash, Elton and Winster are also included in this grouping. We all have a lot in common. Thank you.
19	64683		I think this is a very sensible and workable arrangement, a collection of neighbouring rural villages, with obvious geographical ties but a host of personal, family, social and work ties bind these communities together. It is a far happier and much more representative grouping than the previous unwise and far less workable proposal of putting Youlgrave together with Bakewell. Good sense and a genuine feel for the area and its communities have prevailed here.
20	64684		I agree with the new draft proposals to be instigated
21	64685		The proposals are so minimal as to have no worthwhile impact to Regional Government Management protocols A much more far reaching and worthwhile initiative would be to merge High Peak and Derbyshire Dales Councils. Both areas have similar sociological and economic needs and at present neither Council has sufficient clout to address these
22	64686		The new proposals are a lot better. I welcome the new Youlgrave Ward, however Youlgrave and Winster should have separate representation, with one councillor per ward. We are separate communities and appreciate our close connection to our local councilor, which will not work well for both communities if we share 2 councillors. Youlgrave should include Middleton, Alport, Over Harthill, Haddon, Monyash - Winster should include Elton, Birchover, Gratton - Stanton in the Peak could be used to balance the electorate.
23	64687		Dont agree that mappleton should be moved to the Ashbourne North ward as its a rural village more associated with the Dovedale & parwich area not the town ward of ashbourne north
24	64688		I live in Foolow, which is included in the Bradwell ward. We have no connections with Bradwell and are actually part of Eyam Parish. I feel that we should be placed with Eyam in the Hathersage ward.
25	64689		I would only be concerned if the proposal was going to move us out of the dales.
26	64690		my personal view is to AGREE with abandoning the name "white Peak" for the merged "Dovedale and Parwich" and "Carsington Water" wards in favour of "Dovedale, Parwich
27	64691		Wirksworth is a town with its own identity. It is totally different from its surrounding countryside in culture, history and opinions. To now lump it with Carsington Water and it's isolated villages is plain nonsense. This seems a cost cutting exercise at best or political machinations at worst.
28	64693		I am concerned to note that the amended proposals for new boundaries in Derbyshire Dales fail to correct some of the most evident errors in the original proposals. I refer in particular to the proposal to remove Middleton-by-Wirksworth from the 'Wirksworth' ward and place it in the 'Masson' Ward along with Cromford, Matlock Bath and Bonsall. I grew up in Bolehill which is, and was part of the 'Wirksworth' ward; my parents lived in Bolehill for almost sixty years and, since returning to the area seven years ago, I have lived in the 'Masson' ward. Wirksworth and Middleton-by-Wirksworth have been linked for centuries. Until fairly recently, a significant number of people from both settlements spent their working lives in the quarries between the two settlements - quarries that will, in the next few years be the site of planned housing developments that will effectively turn Wirksworth itself and Middleton-by-Wirksworth into one large conurbation. Children at Middleton Primary school pass to the secondary school in Wirksworth. Middleton-by-Wirksworth no longer has any shops and those residents who do not travel to distant supermarkets do their shopping in Wirksworth. Numerous clubs and associations link the people of Wirksworth and Middleton-by-Wirksworth. Conversely, the villages to the south of Wirksworth, which the proposals indicate should replace Middleton-by-Wirksworth in the 'Wirksworth' ward have very few historic links with Wirksworth itself and, in general, the people there tend to have closer links with Duffield to the South or Ashbourne to the West. Looking at the number of electors in each area, it would appear that keeping Middleton-by-Wirksworth with Wirksworth, instead of replacing it with the southern and western villages and hamlets gives an electorate within the required range. As far as 'Masson' is concerned, where total numbers are low, this could be remedied by moving Brassington into the electoral division. Currently, Cromford and Matlock Bath have much in common: moving Brassington into the division would mean that, with Bonsall, this two member division would have two former lead mining centres alongside the two settlements in the World Heritage Corridor.
29	64694		As residents of Starkholmes & in Matlock St Giles, I would like that smaller boundary to continue. I don't feel the extension into Tansley is appropriate. Extension of Darley Dale into Matlock & upper Hackney all seems wrong. Fewer councillors I am not sure is a good idea. We need councillors not to burn out & a variety of people who can give their time from a variety of ages for example. Being a tighter area and relating to how people move around & feel connected to, the better. Shouldn't just be about numbers.

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30	64695		Middleton-by-Wirksworth. The clue is in the name, 1.6 Miles from Wirksworth, close historical ties with Wirksworth, Wirksworth is the nearest Market Town and both have shared, common issues. Instead push the village into the Masson ward! No ties or common features with Matlock Bath (3.2miles away) and VERY different local issues. Include Carsington in the Wirksworth ward which is 2.4miles away - why? This is an accountants solution, balancing numbers and running roughshod over a long-established local town and village that have close ties and face similar issues. It's <u>Middleton-by-Wirksworth, not Middleton-by-Matlock Bath!</u>
31	64696		By increasing the rural area attached to both Ashbourne North (my ward) & to Ashbourne South then the voting influence of the town dwellers is being further diluted by rural dwellers who only use town for convenience (eg supermarkets). And I have never understood the idea of having some wards with 1, some with 2 & some with 3 councillors. Why not have smaller wards, actually in town, with 1 councillor each? After all, we don't have some areas with 2 or 3 MP's !
32	65344		I live in Wirksworth and I'm very concerned that the boundary commissioners do not appear to take into account the local geography or social identity of the town and its surrounding area. Wirksworth has social cohesion with the neighbouring village of Middleton by Wirksworth, which is a short walkaway. People freely intermingle and mix socially between the two communities. Middleton people come in to Wirksworth's shops and come to the market here. I meet and talk to friends and acquaintances in Middleton and mingle in the pubs there. Middleton children go to secondary school in Wirksworth. The commissioners are proposing that Middleton becomes part of Masson ward. On the map it would appear to make sense- it's not too far from Cromford and Bonsall or Matlock Bath. However, there are few social links to those places. This is because, as would be apparent if the topology of the landscape had been taken into account, Middleton is separated from these communities by the gorge along which the Via Gella runs. There is a narrow and dangerous road with no footpath, and steep treacherous footpaths which link to Bonsall- the nearest village. Or there is a strenuous walk to Cromford via the notorious Cromford Hill. I can see no logic in separating Middleton from Wirksworth for the purpose of democratic representation given the strength of association between the two adjoining communities, and can see no logic in associating Middleton by Wirksworth with areas with which it has little association either historically or due to the factors which prevail at present. By contrast, associating Wirksworth's democratic representation with the rural hinterland to the south- the main population centres being scattered villages such as Hognaston, Kirk Ireton and Carsington- fails to take into account the lack of shared identity or social engagement with those areas. Due to the distance and lack of easy ways to get there, there is little social mixing. Wirksworth people don't go for a casual pint in the villages' pubs, the children from the villages tend to go to Ashbourne schools, and there is little sense of common interest- in my experience none whatsoever. The proposed boundary changes would therefore dilute the democratic representation of Wirksworth's best interests as an entity which includes Middleton by Wirksworth and, in my opinion, would also dilute the representation of the people who live in Middleton.
33	65345		I wish to support the proposal for the new Youlgrave Ward. This has a coherence by embracing a block of contiguous rural parishes. The previous proposal to incorporate the Bradford Valley into anew Bakewell Ward was unsupported in the Bradford Valley and arose from an effort by the local Conservative Party to engage in a gerrymandering manoeuvre to retain its current 3 Bakewell councillors.
34	65347		I think there is no logic historically or practically in proposing Middleton being linked with Masson rather than as now with Wirksworth. It has always been Middleton with Wirksworth and the Via Gellia separates Middleton from Masson. I am a member of the Wirksworth and Middleton Cricket Club which has a long lease of the Recreation Ground off Porter Lane Please keep that long link between Middleton and Wirksworth alive
35	65348		I am a resident of Middleton by Wirksworth and would like to register my objection to the proposal whereby Middleton by Wirksworth is to be removed the Wirksworth Ward and become part of the Masson ward. Middleton by Wirksworth, along with Bolehill, has been part of the old Wirksworth Urban district council, and as such has a great history of being linked with the near town of Wirksworth. Middleton by Wirksworth is closely linked both in community and physically. We have many examples of the close relationship and it would be a shame to have this removed. Please add my objection to any petitions that <u>come in against the proposal.</u>
36	65922		We hereby object to the exclusion of Middleton from Wirksworth in the proposed boundary changes. They are culturally and intrinsically linked even by name. It makes no local sense and remains an ideological and financial con.
37	65923		I wish to register my objection to the proposed exclusion of the Middleton-by-Wirksworth Parish Council from Wirksworth Ward, in the Derbyshire Dales.
38	65959		I wish to register my objection to the proposed exclusion of the Middleton-by-Wirksworth Parish Council from Wirksworth Ward, in the Derbyshire Dales.
39	66051		I would just like to say that I object to Middleton-by-Wirksworth Parish Council being excluded from the Wirksworth Ward when the changes are collected. I would like my name added to the list of other objectors on this issue.
40	66052		I am writing to protest and object to the proposed exclusion of Middleton-by-Wirksworth Parish Council from the Wirksworth Ward. Wirksworth and Middleton are joined together both geographically and historically. They properly belong in the one ward.
41	66053		I object most strongly to the proposal by the LGBCE to detach Middleton by Wirksworth in Derbyshire from Wirksworth. Documents going back to the 15th Century show Middleton to be integral to Wirksworth Manor. Placing it elsewhere would commit offence to the heritage of the village and the identity of its inhabitants.

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42	66061		<p>I wish to comment on the proposed boundary commission changes which would separate Middleton by Wirksworth from the nearby town of Wirksworth. I offer the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> This would be a perverse change and be detrimental to the cohesiveness of both historic communities <input type="checkbox"/> Children from both communities attend the local High School in Wirksworth <input type="checkbox"/> Middleton by Wirksworth residents have Wirksworth as their nearest town for shops, the market and leisure plus civic facilities <input type="checkbox"/> The town of Wirksworth is the only nearby area that residents of Middleton by Wirksworth can walk to; all other destinations are further away and have no safe footway for access <input type="checkbox"/> With democracy already under strain, this proposal can only add to the potential disconnect that the electorate feel with regards to their locality <p>I would further like to add my support to the submission by email on 17 October 2019 by the three Derbyshire Dales District Councillors D Greatorex, M Ratcliffe and P Slack.</p>
43	66078		<p>I do not wish to see Middleton by Wirksworth and Wirksworth split as has been proposed. It doesn't make any sense. Our two settlements have historically and geographically very close links and these links should be supported in every respect.</p>
44	66079		<p>Winstar Parish Council is of the opinion that the new arrangements will not respect the identity of communities in this area because the ward will be so large and diverse, stretching as it will from urban Matlock to the moors of the White Peak. It will take councillors further away from engagement with each of their numerous communities in the villages and is not the way to increase engagement with the District Council. Multi-member wards have already been shown to be more inefficient because people tend to write to both councillors and thus produce duplication of work.</p>
45	66156		<p>I write to object to the proposal to separate Wirksworth and Middleton by Wirksworth as outlined. These two communities are historically, geographically and emotionally linked. We share schools, leisure activities, transport links, cultural activities and events, shops, services and family and friendship links. It would be like losing part of the family. Lines and boundaries should not be based on political preferences but on the way communities are linked as indicated above. Is there nothing this government will stop at to destroy democracy? Outrageous. Opportunistic. Cynical.</p>
46	66193		<p>I write with respect to the proposals to remove Middleton-By-Wirksworth from the Wirksworth ward. I represent the Bolehill and Steeple Grange, which forms the second ward in the Wirksworth Town Council district. This ward directly abuts Middleton. I have lived in Bolehill but a few years, but already in that time I have built a number of links with Middleton, having been to social and environmental events there, plus starting friendships with people who live there who I have met at events in Wirksworth. It seems most odd to disconnect two communities along what is in effect an internal border, particularly when some co-operation may be needed across that border. For example, the Steeple Grange Railway runs from Steeple Grange to Middleton. Over a hundred thousand headstones for the troops who died in the First World War were sourced from Middleton Quarries and transported along it, a link commemorated in the Remembrance Day ceremonies of 2018, when a new memorial stone was taken along the railway to Steeple Grange and down into Wirksworth on a horse-drawn gun carriage. This patriotic heritage should not be disregarded lightly. I believe Brassington is proposed to move into the Wirksworth ward. I could get there by bus, provided I have two to four hours to spare and a desire to see Derby and Ashbourne. I have had no links with Brassington since I moved here, even though my wife grew up there and my mother-in-law lived there until moving to Steeple Grange a few years ago. Brassington more naturally lies in the catchment of Ashbourne, and I remember that that was where my farther-in-law did the weekly shopping. This tinkering with the boundaries does not meet criteria of good governance and administration, particularly if proposed housing developments go ahead, which will create a near continuous urban area between the two. I therefore urge you reconsider this boundary change.</p>
47	66242		Petition

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48	66266		Dear sir or madam I am total at loss why you are recommending that Middleton by Wirksworth is removed from the Wirksworth ward. For over hundred years Middleton by Wirksworth has been associated with Wirksworth in the Wirksworth urban district council and a very close friend and neighbour. It has many joint sports groups and many joint community groups together. It also has the correct voters for the Ward. Even if some of the Carsington reservoir villages were left in. So there is no logical reason for Middleton by Wirksworth to be separated from Wirksworth Ward, this would be absolutely outrageous. In regards to Carsington water this is not like Rutland Water, it is man made reservoir that did not exist 45 years ago. So why is so much importance being placed on reservoir that was built to supply water mainly pumped up from river Derwent that supplies Derby Nottingham with water, and as few very small populated villages two miles from the reservoir. One quote from your report was that Carsington water was a tourist centre yes it is at weekend as is Matlock bath, Chatsworth House, National Stone Centre, Derbyshire Eco at Potter Lane Middleton by Wirksworth and not forgetting historical Wirksworth with many events throughout the year. So to conclude many many residents are putting the view that this is politically motivated as the present Wirksworth Ward is the only Ward in Derbyshire Dales that continues to elect three Labour councillors, and if the Wirksworth Ward was broken up by removing friend and neighbour Middleton by Wirksworth it would most likely lose all Labour representatives in the Derbyshire Dales District Council and the 11,975 that voted for Labour at the last general election would have no voice or representation in the Derbyshire Dales District Council. So this act would be totally undemocratic and looks to be gerrymongering when there is no reason for it to be so.
49	66267		We are very concerned to note that the amended proposals for new boundaries in Derbyshire Dales fail to correct some of the most evident errors in the original proposals and as such, refer in particular, to the proposal to remove Middleton-by-Wirksworth from the 'Wirksworth' ward and place it in the 'Masson' Ward along with Cromford, Matlock Bath and Bonsall. Historically, Wirksworth and Middleton-by-Wirksworth have been linked for centuries, with strong connections through lead mining and then quarrying. Indeed, until fairly recently, a significant number of people from both settlements spent their working lives in the quarries between the two settlements - ironically, quarries that will, in the next few years be the site of planned housing developments that will effectively turn Wirksworth itself and Middleton-by-Wirksworth into one large conurbation. Furthermore, children at Middleton Primary school go onto Anthony Cell secondary school in Wirksworth. Unfortunately, Middleton-by-Wirksworth no longer has any shops and those residents who do not travel to distant supermarkets do their shopping in Wirksworth. It is also noted that Middleton has no public transport links with the Via Gellia, nor Bonsall. Numerous clubs and associations link the people of Wirksworth and Middleton-by-Wirksworth for example the Cricket Club, the wrestling club, the football club, the Stone Centre and the Steeple Grange Light Railway - in fact only very recently, Middleton, Steeple Grange and Wirksworth worked collaboratively in order to gain grant funding to erect war memorials for the fallen at each of the aforesaid locations, in commemoration of the centenary of the end of the First World War. We would like to stress that the villages to the south of Wirksworth, which the proposals indicate should replace Middleton-by-Wirksworth in the 'Wirksworth' ward, have very few historic links with Wirksworth itself and, in general, the people there tend to have closer links with Duffield to the South or Ashbourne to the West. Also, when looking at the number of electors in each area. It would appear that keeping Middleton-by-Wirksworth with Wirksworth, instead of replacing it with the southern and western villages and hamlets gives an electorate within the required range. As far as 'Masson' is concerned, where total numbers are low, this could be remedied by moving Brassington into the electoral division. Currently, Cromford and Matlock Bath have much in common; moving Brassington into the division would mean that, with Bonsall, this two member division would have two former lead mining centres alongside the two settlements in the World Heritage Corridor.
50	66268		I am a former teacher at Anthony Cell School Wirksworth. I've lived in Middleton by Wirksworth's and now I live in Wirksworth. I totally disagree with the exclusion of Middleton by Wirksworth from the Wirksworth Ward. Both areas are very closely linked in terms of groups, sports groups and community groups. I can not understand why you are cutting Wirksworth Ward apart. Middleton by Wirksworth is one of the main parts of the Wirksworth Ward and I object to this proposal very much. Wirksworth Ward can take in villages of Hopton, Carsington, Calow on the Northern side of Carsington Water (this by way is man made reservoir to supply water to Derby and Nottingham which did not exist 45 years ago) along with Middleton by Wirksworth. This would be an improvement on Numbers Electors close to the variance, also mapping communities closer together and communities themselves are far better with Middleton by Wirksworth together with Wirksworth.
51	66272		(Identical to previous submission)
52	66273		Middleton
53	66278		I want to object to the Local Government Boundaries Commission proposal to remove Middleton-by-Wirksworth from the Wirksworth ward and place it into Masson Ward. Having talked to people in the ward, and having worked in the area for many years and lived in the Dales for over 25 years, there seems to me to be little logic in this proposal. On both geographical and community grounds, it seems far more sensible to keep Middleton-by-Wirksworth in with the Wirksworth ward.

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54	66296		I am Member of Wirksworth - Middleton by Wirksworth cricket club, I've live in Middleton by Wirksworth and now I live in Wirksworth, and both Communities are very much integrated. I understand that the Local government boundaries commission have suggest that Middleton by Wirksworth is excluded from the Wirksworth Ward. I've been informed that Wirksworth Ward, with Middleton by Wirksworth, Wirksworth Town, Bolehill, Carsington, Hopton and Calow would have electorate 5234 which is 1735 per Councillor, which is close to the average than your suggestion with village from the south with no Connection to Wirksworth. So I Strongly object against this alteration and support to (keep Middleton and Wirksworth together)
55	66297		(Identical to a previous submission)
56	66298		(Middleton)
57	66304		Firstly, I would like to express my views on the Wirksworth ward of the Derbyshire Dales District Council, and as such, refer in particular to the proposal to remove Middleton-by-Wirksworth from the 'Wirksworth' ward and place it in the 'Masson' Ward along with Cromford, Matlock Bath and Bonsall. It should be appreciated that Wirksworth and Middleton-by-Wirksworth have been linked for centuries through lead mining and then quarrying, whereby strong connections were formed - with a large percentage of the men working in the quarries between the two settlements - growing together and forming stronger connections. I feel that it should also be noted that in the next few years one such redundant quarry will be the site of planned housing developments that will effectively further connect Wirksworth and Middleton-by-Wirksworth. Historically, children at Middleton Primary school go onto Anthony Gell secondary school in Wirksworth. Also, Middleton-by-Wirksworth no longer has any shops and those residents who do not travel to distant supermarkets do their shopping in Wirksworth. It should also noted that Middleton has no public transport links with Via Gellia or Bonsall. Numerous clubs and associations link the people of Wirksworth and Middleton-by-Wirksworth for example the Cricket Club, the wrestling club, the football club, the Stone Centre and the Steeple Grange light railway -in fact only very recently, Middleton, Steeple Grange and Wirksworth worked collaboratively in order to gain grant funding to erect war memorials for the fallen at each of the aforesaid locations, in commemoration of the centenary of the end of the First World War. Your proposals indicate that the villages to the South should replace Middleton-by-Wirksworth in the 'Wirksworth' ward - however, I feel that they have hardly any historical links with Wirksworth itself, but tend to have closer links with Duffield to the South or Ashbourne to the West. Also, I note that when looking at the number of electors in each area, it would appear that keeping Middleton-by-Wirksworth with Wirksworth, instead of replacing it with the southern and western villages and hamlets, already gives an electorate within the required range. Presently, Wirksworth has three labour councillors representing its constituents. I understand that your remit is that the alterations you make to wards should not adversely alter the political scene of the said ward, thus not giving an advantage to any political party. With only one winner per seat, I feel it should be acknowledged that where boundaries are drawn can have a big impact on who gets elected. I feel that it is important to maintain parliamentary democracy and that it would be undemocratic if
58	66356		The proposal, as it affects Middleton by Wirksworth, completely ignores/overrules the historic and current associations between Middleton and Wirksworth. We are connected in so many ways either directly or indirectly: - geography - history - industry - employment - commerce - transport -shopping - schooling - events - shopping - etc. The proposal to link us with Bonsall etc. makes nosense - we have very few links by way of historical connections and virtually nothing by way of current connections - nobody uses Bonsall/lble for shopping, schooling, employment, art etc. - therei s some limited use of Cromford but even this is minimal when compared to what we enjoy in Wirksworth. The proposed changes seem to be arbitrary, taking no account of the past and existingassociations between Middleton and Wirksworth and should be dropped.
59	66417		I write to register my dismay at the proposed change to the electoral wards of Derbyshire Dales District Council, specifically for the change suggested for Wirksworth and Middleton. It seems to make little sense to have the two communities split in terms of their representation at Derbyshire Dales. Indeed Middleton was part of Wirksworth parish until 1990s. The communities share many facilities and concerns on issues. I am aware that others have put forward alternative ways to address the disparity in numbers I would commend these as a way forward.

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Appendix B: Derbyshire Dales District Council Submissions log

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Political Groups			
55362	Derbyshire Dales Constituency Labour Party		Please see attached the submission to the draft recommendations that has been put together by the Derbyshire Dales Labour, Liberal Democrat, Green and Communication of findings. We would have found it helpful if a list of the proposed parishes in each ward had been provided as a summary. Instead, it has to be deduced from the text. It would also have helped if a detailed map showing these parishes for each ward had been given – or at least the option of zooming in on a larger map to study them in detail. The maps provided that showed the revised wards in three towns were helpful in this respect although were not easy to find. They are also significantly out of date (2016) with the one for Ashbourne failing to show at least four major areas of house building. Variance. This is just one of the three considerations made by LGBC in their review but we feel that the draft scheme does have some large variances. In particular we take issue with variances in the 8-10% range where these occur in exactly the way that is least desirable due to potential future growth. Overall the draft LGBC has a % variance of -53.2% & +50.6% compared to our original 'joint' scheme of -33.5% & +43.6%. Community cohesion. Arguably this is at least as important as excessive variance. We believe it is important to recognise the distinction between rural and urban communities and try to avoid where possible urban areas having very extensive rural hinterlands. This may however be difficult where parishes are sparsely populated. We suggest that some of the new Ward proposals have resulted in both large variances and a lack of community cohesion; Bakewell is an example of this. Impact of planned large developments not completed by 2026. In the Local Plan there is a target to restrict housing development to certain areas in the Derbyshire Dales, specifically most development to be in the towns in Tier 1 of the development hierarchy. Hence we feel that a large positive variance should be flagged when it is for a Tier 1 ward since any large positive variance in 2026 is likely to be even larger in future years. Similarly a large negative variance seems to be less than ideal for an area that will see very little development in the future due to its position in the development hierarchy. Peak District National Park. The objective of not combining 'Peak Park' parishes with others obviously has merit and for much of the Dales is straightforward to achieve. However in some parts of the Dales the Parish boundaries are less obliging and this constraint can
54564	Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats		
Councillors			
56111	Martin Burfoot	Derbyshire Dales District Council	My comments are mainly concerned with the recommendations around Matlock, Tansley, Cromford, Matlock Bath, Darley Dale and Oker / Snitterton.
55275	Graham Elliott	Derbyshire Dales District Council	I am the Independent Derbyshire Dales District Councillor for the Lathkill & Bradford Ward. A ward that has returned a local Independent Councillor continually for more than 3 decades. I am also chair of Youlgrave Parish Council who have already submitted strong opposition to this proposal. I strongly disagree with the proposal to abolish this ward and instead move the villages of Youlgrave, Alport and Monyash into the political ward of Bakewell and Middleton & Smerrill into the Bonsall and Winster ward. This would be damaging to the communities involved and run contrary to the three statutory criteria underlying any boundary review. It is not my intention to repeat comments and recommendations that has been submitted by ward residents and parish councils from within my ward and beyond. I urge you to consider submissions carefully and with thought to the communities involved However I feel I must point out that Bakewell should be allocated two councillors, in line with its profile as a separate market town. Lathkill & Bradford ward should remain as is but include Over Haddon, which was removed from my ward on the last reshuffle. This is also the wish of the electorate in Over Haddon In conclusion I see no benefit in the break up of our like minded rural communities. The addition of other bordering communities would satisfy the numbers, however I consider community values of much greater importance than head counts.

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55400	Steve Flitter	Derbyshire Dales District Council	<p>I write to support the submissions on the draft proposals by Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats (in collaboration with other Parties) and Derbyshire Dales CLP. I particularly support the revised proposals for the Hathersage and Eyam, Bakewell and "Youlgreave" Wards. These proposals reflect the social and economic characteristics of the respective local areas, which I suggest outweigh the issues of electoral variance; I am sure that if you were able to visit the communities in question, you would completely understand. I also support the submissions made by Abney Parish and Hathersage Parish Council regarding Abney. It is quite clear that this small community looks towards Hathersage in respect of all its key services, and it would be totally illogical to, transfer it to the Bradwell Ward. I say this notwithstanding the fact that it would quite probably be very much to my Party's benefit if such a transfer took place.</p>
56114	Clare Gamble	Derbyshire Dales District Council	<p>My comments are on the make-up of the wards within, or largely within, the Peak District. I wish to support the response to ward boundaries submitted by Peter Dobbs, as the multiparty submission. Most wards are as the previous multi-party submission, and I am pleased they were accepted. However, there are a couple of anomalies;</p> <p>Bakewell The multi-party submission kept parishes that were previously in the Bakewell ward together and reduced it to a two member ward from a three member ward. The three member proposal makes no sense. Youlgreave has no real connection to Bakewell, and the parish council have submitted a response which stated that they should be kept within a single ward identity. They have presented a well-argued case, that I believe should be actioned. Even with the inclusion of extra populations, a three member ward remains close to the maximum variance of -10%. Bakewell will have little housing development; indeed, it could lose housing to holiday lets. To instigate a review on the basis that wards have gone beyond the 10% variance, then create a ward like Bakewell close to that variance seems at odds with the purpose of the review. It creates a large, I believe unmanageable, ward that even three councillors would struggle to keep on top of, to a degree that would detract from local democracy. I believe Bakewell should become a two member ward and another ward centred on Youlgreave and Monyash should be created.</p> <p>Youlgreave Should be kept as a single member entity. It has a more rural identity, that does not fit with Bakewell for reasons well explained by submissions from that area.</p> <p>Hathersage Abney should remain with Hathersage and Eyam</p>
56148	Peter O'Brien	Derbyshire Dales District Council	<p>I write to support the submissions on the draft proposals by Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats (in collaboration with other Parties) and Derbyshire Dales CLP. I particularly support the revised proposals for the Hathersage and Eyam, Bakewell and "Youlgreave" Wards. These proposals reflect the social and economic characteristics of the respective local areas, which I suggest outweigh the issues of electoral variance; I am sure that if you were able to visit the communities in question, you would completely understand. I also support the submissions made by Abney Parish and Hathersage Parish Council regarding Abney. It is quite clear that this small community looks towards Hathersage in respect of all its key services, and it would be totally illogical to, transfer it to the Bradwell Ward. I say this notwithstanding the fact that it would quite probably be very much to my Party's benefit if such a transfer took place.</p>
54605	Kathleen Potter	Rowlsey Parish Council	<p>I think it unacceptable that the villages surrounding Rowsley ie Stanton, Darley Dale, Beeley, Chatsworth all are detailed on this map but Rowsley appears not to exist. This can't be right. Chair Rowsley Parish Council</p>
53938	Garry Purdy	Derbyshire Dales District Council	<p>I strongly object to the proposal to miss Bonsall from out of Masson Ward, but to develop the Boundary to Tansley Parish. Bonsall is an integral part of a natural interlink between Cromford and Matlock Bath, being only 1.9 and 2,6 miles respectively It is 4.6 miles from Cromford to Tansley! The road connections between Cromford, Bonsall and Matlock Bath stretch back as far as Roman times when the area was mined for lead Quarrying still takes place in the area of Masson Ward The road from Cromford to Tansley has no natural or historic links to Masson. People in Bonsall drift towards Cromford for the village shops. Tansley has a direct link to Matlock being along the A615. The proposal to include Tansley as part of Masson Ward makes no political, geographic or local network network links sense at all. As the Ward representative for Masson, I am able to inform you that the people of Bonsall and including the Parish Council object strongly to the proposals to disconnect Bonsall I do hope that you will take notice of the strong call to leave Masson Ward as is.</p>

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55395	Peter Slack	Derbysyshire Dales District Council	I do agree with many of your draft proposals, but there areas where I find alterations and adjustments are need to be made There are three main areas that need to adjustments to be made.
54580	Alasdair Sutton	Derbysyshire Dales District Council	I think that Youlgrave should remain in its current Lathkil and Bradford ward and be joined by Over Haddon . I understand Youlgrave residents are totally against joining Bakewell and that Over Haddon residents are keen to rejoin their previous ward . My other recommendation would be that Great Longstone , Little Longstone , Rowland and Hassop move to the Bakewell Ward . I believe geographically this would work perfectly bringing together Ashford in the Water, Monsal Head and Sheldon .
51915	RH Webster	Beeley Parish Council	If it is working well do not fix it There is to much red tape already Be more efficient with what exists already!
54577	Steve Wain	Derbysyshire Dales District Council	I am fully supportive of the comments in the attached group document regarding the ongoing boundary commission consultation for the Derbyshire Dales. As a former Police Sergeant previously working in the Dales I have a very good knowledge of this area and its rural and urban communities. In 2000, I set up the Derbyshire Dales Rural Crime Team and had consulted with many Parish and Town Councils. The attached submission is more relevant and provides more community cohesion than the one initially proposed. Furthermore, I hope that further consideration will be given regarding the lack of information supplied by the District Council, about future development around Ashbourne and Matlock. I sincerely hope that you can adopt some or all of these recommendations and look forward to seeing the full final report.
Parish and Town Councils			
56105	Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow & Offerton Parish Meeting		Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the new ward boundary proposal We are a tiny Parish Meeting consisting of the hamlets of Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton We are long established as one Parish meeting and as such meet on a regular basis (COVID permitting) and communicate at least weekly on local matters I emailed all our residents with your proposal and sent them the link to your web page and have since spoken with our Chair, Andrew Chadwick. The consensus is we would much prefer to stay with the Hathersage Ward, all those who responded favoured this option with none favouring the move We are a small but close community and over the years have raised funds on a regular basis to initially build and subsequently maintain our village hall, which is in Abney and a focal point for all residents of the Parish. The whole community also meets socially on a regular basis (except of course currently with the pandemic) and we have close links with friends and businesses in Hathersage. One particular concern is that as our Parish meeting includes Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton, the proposal would mean that one half would remain with Hathersage and one half move to Bradwell which seems illogical especially as the issues we have (such as the road closure which is being repaired at present) affect all of us. The proposal would mean that one half of the community served by the Parish meeting would have different elected representatives to the other half. We are all currently supported by Councillor Peter O'Brien and although we understand he will in time move on, he has been a great support to all of us over the last few years, particularly supporting us over the problems encountered with the major road collapse of our only road, which is now being rebuilt. it would not be practical to have 2different Councillors representing such a small Parish. As far as we can ascertain the move would be to 'even out' numbers and to force such a detrimental change on to our community for such a reason would be a blow to us all. Kind regards Jan Everard [Clerk, on behalf of Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton Parish Meeting]

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54572	Ashborne Town Council		<p>Members of Ashborne Town Council have considered the Local Government Boundary Commission for England proposals for the new electoral arrangements for Derbyshire Dales District Council. The Members would like to seek clarification on the rationale for the changes within the five parish wards of Ashbourne, in particular in the Hilltop Ward (BAH) as the changes proposed in the Boundary Review will result in a reduction of 50%, which equates to two Town Councillor representatives. The Hilltop Ward is the most populated ward in the Town Council boundary and has undergone a massive amount of housing development over the last ten years together with ongoing development projects still in their infancy. The Members cannot understand why there is a proposed reduction when the electorate is growing at a fast pace within the Hilltop Ward.</p> <p>I have just received correspondence from James McLaughlin at Derbyshire Dales District Council informing me that the development sites used to calculate the increase in households and the electorate for the current Ashbourne South Ward have been allocated to the wrong polling district. So in column A everything allocated to BAH is actually in BAS. The increase in 506 voters attributed to BAS should be allocated to BAH and the 171 increase applied to BAS. This would mean that the projected electorate in 2026 for BAS should be 1,727 and for BAH 3,143. The projections for the current Ashbourne South Ward are correct, but the issue is with how this has been allocated across polling districts and proposed parish warding arrangements. I understand that Derbyshire Dales District Council have made contact regarding this and that you will be reviewing the situation and I would appreciate it if you could keep me informed of any progress.</p>
53151	Ballidon & Bradbourne Parish Council		<p>The Parish Council consider that 'White Peak' is not a suitable name for the proposed new ward for the following reasons: ☐The term White Peak is already used in the Peak District National Park to cover a much wider area than the proposed ward, including Buxton, Bakewell, Matlock & Dovedale; this area is described in the Peak District biodiversity plan here; also there is an OS map for White Peak which shows the extent of the area: https://shop.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/map-of-the-peak-district-white-peak-area/☐Much of the area in the ward is not in the Peak District so the name would be confusing and not in line with the objective to unite parishes in Peak District. We have no objection to the proposed name of 'Dovedale Parwich & Brassington' .</p>
52257	Bonsall Parish Council		<p>Bonsall Parish Council considered the proposal for the new Bonsall and Winstler ward at their meeting on 16th February 2021. It was agreed to object to the proposal on the basis that the interests of the village were more closely linked to those of Cromford; in particular in terms of shared issues such as quarrying and the use of the Via Gellia.</p>
56112	Eldaston & Wyaston Parish Council		<p>Eldaston & Wyaston Parish Cllrs object to the proposed change to the ward boundaries which would place Eldaston & Wyaston Parish in the Ashbourne South ward, along with Clifton & Compton and Osmaston and Yeldersley parishes. Cllrs consider that there is a division between urban and rural parish/ward constituencies that would be better served by one District Cllr for rural parishes, one District Cllr for Hilltop and one District Cllr for St Oswald's as this would provide better representation.</p>
53147	Fenny Bentley Parish Council		<p>We understand that under the new proposals extra parishes will be added to the Dovedale and Parwich Ward, we also believe that the proposal is to call the ward 'White Peak' this is totally inappropriate as some of the new villages are not in the Peak Park and could not be considered to be in a 'white peak' area as they are all hedgerows with no stone walls. We strongly disagree with naming the ward white peak and suggest that the new ward is called Dovedale, Parwich & Brassington which is a much more appropriate name and describes the area accurately.</p>
56109	Grindleford Parish Council		<p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I am writing on behalf of Grindleford Parish Council following discussion of this consultation at their meeting on 11 March. Cllrs were unanimously in favour of the proposal for Stoney Middleton to become part of Hathersage Ward, but oppose the split of Abney and Abney Grange to Bradwell. Abney and Abney Grange are very much part of the Hathersage and Grindleford communities. The comments submitted by Jan Everard, Clerk, on behalf of Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton Parish Meetings, summarise Grindleford's own view of the impact such a split would have on what is essentially one community. Sarah Battarbee, Clerk to Grindleford Parish Council.</p>

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55513	Harthill Parish Meeting		<p>parishes, Youlgrave, Middleton and Harthill. The closeness of that connection is demonstrated by the fact that the village of Alport is split between Youlgrave and Harthill parishes, and that has been the case for generations.</p> <p>2. Harthill is to be put into a constituency with relatively remote villages with their own problems and priorities, and severed from Youlgrave, the village of which it is in essence a part.</p> <p>3. The only rationale for moving Youlgrave into Bakewell seems to be to increase the electorate of an extended Bakewell constituency so that it will elect 3 District Councillors rather than 2. Given the size of the Bakewell electorate, it seems unlikely that any of the three District Councillors they elect would have rural communities as a priority. Harthill does not wish to be swallowed up in this as well. Our concern is that moving Youlgrave into Bakewell, Harthill is to be paired with other villages with which it has little connection. To be subsumed into Bakewell would be even worse.</p> <p>4. Harthill is very small – 46 electors - but not overwhelmed at present because of its affinity to Youlgrave. Harthill's residents worship, shop, and enjoy sporting and other leisure activities in Youlgrave. The three villages, Middleton, Alport and Youlgrave, are one community spread along the length of the river Bradford. They have a distinct collective identity, similar needs and problems, and share one excellent local newspaper.</p> <p>5. By comparison with its links to Youlgrave, Harthill has very few social links and no community connections with either Winster or Bonsall. Their children attend different schools, not just at preschool and primary level, different secondary schools too - ours feed into Lady Manners to the north, theirs to Highfields in Matlock and Anthony Gell in</p>
56103	Hathersage Parish Council		<p>Hathersage Parish Council (HPC) has considered the proposal to move Abney and Abney Grange Parish Councils out of the Hathersage ward. Noting the proximity and ties with Abney and Abney Grange Parish Councils, HPC liaised with them. We are aware a survey was undertaken and the consensus among the Abney and Abney Grange residents who responded was a preference to remain in the Hathersage ward, citing close links with friends and businesses in Hathersage. HPC also notes concern that the proposed change would impact upon established links between the very small neighbouring Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton Parish Councils, with two parish councils remaining in the Hathersage ward and two moving to the Bradwell ward. HPC notes the concerns that this will make it difficult to reach consensus and coordinate action on common issues/problems. Hathersage Parish Council objects to the changes and supports the wishes of residents in Abney and Abney Grange Parish Councils to remain in the Hathersage ward.</p>
55396	Matlock Town Council		<p>Please find attached Matlock Town Council's feedback on the Draft Recommendations Report for the Derbyshire Dales. [from multi-party scheme].</p>
54647	Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council		<p>Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council OBJECTS to the proposed abolition of Lathkill & Bradford Ward and the proposal to instead amalgamate Middleton and Smerrill into Bonsall and Winster Ward. Our response is guided by the three key criteria underlying the review: (i) equality of representation; (ii) reflecting community interests and identities; and (iii) providing for effective and convenient local government. We believe there is compelling evidence to suggest that Middleton and Smerrill, together with neighbouring village communities, should continue to form a Ward of its own and not become parts of other Wards</p>
54672	Middleton Parish Council		<p>I have been instructed to write to you on behalf of Middleton Parish Council. The proposals for the Wirksworth and Carsington Water Ward of Derbyshire Dales were discussed at a meeting held on Monday 22nd March 2021 and it was resolved to respond per the attached document "2021-03-22LGBC Response Wirksworth and Carsington Water proposal".</p>
55512	Northwood & Tinkersley Parish Council		<p>I emailed in to the consultation process in September 2020 asking to remain with Rowsley and Stanton in the Peak. The Parish Council has now been informed that these Parishes may be changing wards. The Parish Council would like to remain within a rural ward and not be included in a ward with Darley Dale and Matlock. Ideally we would like to remain with Stanton in the Peak and if that is not possible then Rowsley. The Parish is geographically closer to Rowsley and Stanton in the Peak than Darley Dale and have a closer affinity with them. The issues faced by Northwood and Tinkersley are of a more rural nature and therefore the Parish Council is concerned that the issues faced here would be lost in an urban focussed ward.</p>
55547	Osmaston and Yeldersley Parish		<p>Osmaston and Yeldersley Parish Cllrs object to the proposed change to the ward</p>

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54644	Over Haddon Parish Council		Over Haddon Parish Council OBJECTS to the retention of this parish in a Town Ward as made clear in our first submission. It strongly objects to the proposed abolition of Lathkill & Bradford Ward as this supports rural village communities and wishes to return to this Ward from which it was torn in the 2011 changes. Our response is guided by the three keycriteria underlying the review: (i) equality of representation; (ii) reflecting community interests and identities; and (iii) providing for effective and convenient local government. We believe there is compelling evidence to suggest that Over Haddon should return and Monyash and Youlgrave, together with neighbouring village communities, should continue to form a Ward of their own and not become part of Bakewell.
54309	Rowsley Parish Council		I think it unacceptable that the villages surrounding Rowsley ie Stanton, Darley Dale, Beeley,Chatsworth all are detailed on this map but Rowsley appears not to exist. This can't be right. ChairRowsley Parish Council
52263	South Darley Parish Council		It is appreciated that there are close links between Winster and Elton as well as between Winster and South Darley. We would therefore wish to see the three parishes remain in the same ward. We understand that it would be necessary to include another parish within the ward in order to obtain the requisite electorate: the parish of Gratton would seem to be a suitable candidate. Since we do not have access to detailed population figures and projections, we are unable to propose a definite alternative grouping of parishes to form wards in this part of Derbyshire Dales to meet the commission's requirements for population, etc. However, we urgently request that a revision be made to ensure South Darley stays grouped with Winster and Elton.
56129	Stoney Middleton Parish Council		Stoney Middleton Parish Council is opposed to the district boundary change proposals which movethe parish of Stoney Middleton from the Calver Ward into the Hathersage Ward. Whilst residentshave close links with Eyam, the topography of Stoney Middleton and the nature of the builtenvironment along the A623 naturally align the village with Calver. Stoney Middleton and Calverparishes also have shared issues, for instance, the volume, speed and size of vehicles using theA623. The benefit of remaining in the same ward is that when the two parish councils collaborateon such shared issues, it is advantageous to communicate with one representative covering bothcommunities. Similarly, the proposed ward boundary follows Coombs Dale. On the face of it, aneasily identifiable divide. However, place matters. Coombs Dale is inexplicably linked to StoneyMiddleton and is a significant part of village life and yet it will be in a different ward. Councillorsare concerned that the increasing number of holiday homes in the Derbyshire Dales area may bereducing the number of permanent residents and forcing this review.
54674	Tansley Parish Council		Tansley Parish Council have examined your recent proposals to include Tansley in a new ward Matlock Rural and Cromford, we object strongly to this ill thought out proposal: A proposal that fails to even indicate the existence of our village of in excess of 1000 inhabitants on your proposals map!
56564	Thorpe Parish Council		Dear Local Government Boundary Commission We note that you wish to rename our Ward "The White Peak". This is to vague and wide an area, and the Ward includes land both inside and outside the Peak National Park. As Thorpe Parish Council, we wish to maintain the identity of the area and therefore suggest that the Ward is renamed Dovedale Parwich & Brassington to reflect the larger area. Andrew Bock Chair Thorpe Parish Council
52523	Tissington & Lea Hall Parish Council		The 3 suggested new parishes, Bradbourne, Brassington and Kniveton are not in the Peak District National Park and Kniveton is not even in a white wall area. As the proposals cover villages in and out of the Peak Park all planning rules and the planning departments would be completely different. Some of the villages would not be eligible for various grants and schemes that Peak District National Park residents have access to. It would make much more sense for the whole ward to be in or out of the Peak District National Park. The words 'White Peak' are associated with and mentioned in many contexts with the Peak District National Park. The 'White Peak' is a very large area of the Peak District National Park and includes a large swathe of Staffordshire. It would be totally misleading to the residents of this ward, neighbouring wards and visitors to call this ward 'White Peak' when 3 of its villages are not even within the boundaries of the Peak District National Park. If the ward has to have a name change we would prefer it to be Tissington, Parwich & Brassington.

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54639	Youlgrave Parish Council		Youlgrave Parish Council OBJECTS to the proposed abolition of Lathkill & Bradford Ward and the proposal to instead amalgamate Youlgrave into Bakewell Ward. Our response is guided by the three key criteria underlying the review: (i) equality of representation; (ii) reflecting community interests and identities; and (iii) providing for effective and convenient local government. We believe there is compelling evidence to suggest that Youlgrave, together with neighbouring village communities, should continue to form a Ward of its own and not become part of Bakewell
Local organisations			
54067	Matlock Civic Association		1. In our earlier representations we emphasised the importance of the distribution of Council seats to reflect the likely future population figures (in say 2025). With much current development underway in Matlock we would expect the proportion of the DDC population in Matlock to increase. We cannot see what the population figures will be for the different proposed Wards so we cannot check if this point is reflected in the proposals. 2. The Matlock Rural and Cromford Ward has little logic to it with not much community coherence in the proposed area - a rather sprawling and disconnected ward.
Local residents			
51460			The proposed boundaries in DDC look to be a more practical way of working. Good idea.
51462			As long term residents of Farley, both my wife and I support the proposal to move the boundaries as shown on the map. We have always identified with Matlock and feel ignored by Darley Dale.
51909			Currently in Derbyshire Dales on Old Hackney Lane and very much in favour of a move into Matlock -it is the natural place for us. We tend to be forgotten by DD TC; we have tried to remedy this as a community, eg by asking for noticeboards, but this was not successful.
51911			the proposal looks good to me
51913			It's seems odd that the Parish of Middleton and Smerrill is in a different ward to Youlgrave which is the closest village. Surely having a Youlgrave / Middleton plus another village would create a far more even electorate within a ward
51917			My feedback is for the Wardlow area. It would make sense for Wardlow to be in the ward of Calver and Longstone (or even Tideswell) but NOT Bradwell. It is not a natural link to tag us onto Bradwell. Children from Wardlow tend to go to Longstone Primary school and onto Lady Manners, so very different from Bradwell and Hope Valley. Please can you re-think this section.
51919			Agree
51921			I agree with the proposed reduction in councillors but believe that the boundaries should be adjusted so that Brailsford includes the villages of Shirley, Rodsley and Yeaveley which have a historical connection as part of the United Benefice of Brailsford.
51923			Having looked at your proposals I am in full agreement.
51925			The obvious - why make the changes? What are they? What are the reasons & benefits of the proposed changes?
51927			What's this map showing me? The before status? What's the proposed 'after' status for Darley Dale? Bewildered.
51929			All of Alport including Harthill should be part of the same ward. These are currently a part of Youlgrave and have shared interests. They have no direct interests with Winster & Bonsall. It would be far better for the current Lathkill and Bradford to be represented by 1 councillor who is concerned and knows this area. The proposed Bakewell ward should be divided, so that there is a ward representing the rural area outside of the town of Bakewell. For Matlock an attempt has been made to create a rural ward separate from the town wards.
51931			Re Ashbourne South. It would seem sensible to include the rest of the airfield land and Bradley wood in the Ashbourne south area. It makes very little difference as these areas have very few residents (if any). My understanding is that Bradley Wood was given to the people of Ashbourne and is looked after by the Ashbourne parish. I'm uncertain of the exact scope of the current residential estate being built on the old airfield plot but it would be reasonable to assume that the whole of this brown field site will one day be developed and will become part of the Ashbourne south community. I provide a screenshot of the area with a very rough purple line representing a suggested redrawing of the boundary.
51934			On the basis that that I rarely get a reply from councillors when I contact them the fewer the better as it will hopefully save money

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51936			I once met a salesman, whose US bosses had decided that they could create a nice neat territory by pairing the Isle of Wight with the Isle of Man. Your proposal to lump Winster with Bonsall has the same feel about it: remote people making inappropriate couplings. Winster may not be that far from Bonsall as the crow flies, but in fact the two villages have very little in common. Winster people rarely drive through Bonsall (if heading south, there is a much faster road, the A5012 "Via Gellia" down the valley). And Bonsall people would have no cause to drive through anything but the fringes of Winster. Our children go to different secondary schools, and different scout and guide groups, so we don't get to know people in the other village through those channels. By contrast, Winster people have a lot in common with Wensley - they drive through Wensley every time they go to a supermarket or to the nearest Railway Station in Matlock. Winster children are joined on the same school bus by Wensley children and probably go to the same scout and guide groups in Darley Dale. So Winster does not pair well with Bonsall. Wensley is good. Youlgrave would be second-best. Bonsall is a very poor third.
51938			Agree wholeheartedly: provides a better representation of Wirksworth and its surroundings.
51940			Hello I can't understand why northwood lane and the area that side of the A6 is in the new Stanton boundary? unless this decision is being made on political grounds - geographically and service wise it seems more appropriate for the area to be part of darley dale
51942			Hello I live in Tansley- if you didn't know there was a pandemic last year ; I didn't get any literature about this ! Taking away a local voice, it's a worry ! Not transparent local government What about people not online it's seems quite unfair
51944			Agree to cutting number of councillors. I'd cut it further to be honest as really don't see why we need 34 to cover such a small council. The name Cromford and Matlock rural is a bit daft. Who on earth calls anywhere that?
51946			I am concerned that this boundary change is going to take seats off elected MPs from other parties. This seems unfair
51948			No. Just no. We are already a small voice in Chelmorton with little thought or account given to these disparate rural communities. Diluting us even further will give us less voice. This shift towards centralpower is a further step in showing of how little importance we are. Rural communities are important and will need a voice in this time of uncertainty Think again
51950			The draft proposals do not take proper account of the adopted DDDC Local Plan 2013-2033, in respect of Appendix 3: Housing Trajectory and Policy HC2: Housing Land Allocations. Specifically, the Local Plan Housing Land Allocations identifies the majority of new housing provision outside the Peak National Park and much of this housing has not been built (for example, work has not yet started on 690 new households within my proposed new ward boundary.) Notably, these Local Government Boundary Commission draft proposals use Electorate Forecasts to 2026 based on the current electorate distribution and the current population the new Wirksworth & Carsington Water ward and predict a+8% variance. However if the local plan is used to add context to the proposed new ward boundary then 19% of the new housing projected in the Local Plan for 2010 - 2033 is yet to be built in the area covered by the new Wirksworth & Carsington Water ward, it follows that electoral equality is clearly going to be compromised.
51952			Our parish Council is amazing. Really really good. Rooted in the community, decent, and effective. Don't mess with it. There is absolutely no need.
51954			Our property will move from Darley Dale Parish/Ward to within the Matlock All Saints boundary, which is in line with how we have always, since the housing was first built 12 years ago, viewed ourselves and helps to further boost our affinity to Matlock.
51956			Having taken some time to look at the draft proposals for Derbyshire Dales I believe they make absolute sense. No further comment to make.
51959			Looks fine to me
51963			Leave it at 3 councillors. It's a busy area for them and fewer would not do as good a job.

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51965			In regard to the All Saints Ward, Matlock, area 15 on your map. Wouldn't it even up the Resident /Councillor ratio if the area including the Morledge and along the A6 to Old Hackney Lane, remains within Darley Dale? It is locally acknowledged that Darley Dale starts at the Premier Inn, which is clearly demonstrated by the adjacent Darley Dale Town sign. Furthermore, Whitworth Hospital is in Darley Dale and that's how it should remain. The remainder of the additional area where you advocate change, namely on the north of Old Hackney Lane, Hackney Road and Farley, could be adopted within the All Saints Ward. This area has more of an affinity with Matlock and is locally acknowledged to be apart of The Town. I believe that Darley Dale Councillors are projected to have 1788 residents per Councillor compared to All Saints at 1959. If this suggestion was approved how would it impact upon the ratio? I believe it would also provide greater resilience for the proposed increase in new homes in the All Saints Ward.
51967			Is this the best way of spending my council tax keep it the same
51969			It is a source of continuing frustration on all sorts of issues that the half-dozen Hope Valley villages, which in so many ways are one community, are bisected by a district boundary (with High Peak Borough) within the Valley. Most of us don't greatly mind whether we are all in Derbyshire Dales or all in High Peak, but not to use this review to achieve one of those 2 outcomes is an opportunity wasted.
51971			I oppose the proposal to change the boundary for St Giles Ward Matlock. Tansley is a small village of in excess of 1000 inhabitants with local plan allocations for a further 100 homes, so possibly in excess of another 200 residents or more. Because of its location working with Matlock is an obvious link as it is a short car ride we are able to access all daily needs to include GP services. children go to the local secondary school and transport links are adequate - Tansley has nothing in common with Cromford or Matlock Bath, we have no direct transport links and are geographically too far apart to work together. However the Matlock Ward of St Giles is directly adjacent to Tansley. One does question the logic behind this suggestion to be linked to Cromford. Cromford has more in common with Wirksworth. I object strongly to losing our identity, our village has a name- it should be celebrated not become Matlock Rural - if you have to rename the ward then Tansley and St Giles would be acceptable. Looking at the proposals it does appear that you are trying (by manipulating the boundaries) to increase the Conservative vote, which is unacceptable, Local Government needs diversity to get the best for all its community. May I suggest you have a serious re think , because your proposals are neither fair or equitable. Neither do they fulfill your criteria, one questions if this is a truly independent review, as it does not appear to be.
51973			I think this is a ridiculous idea you have come up with hooleys estate has been part of the darley Dale town council we will vote against this you need to go back to the drawing board on this
52229			Wardlow Parish complete should go to Tideswell as we are connected today to this village for example the post, shops ,Doctor .School We are also in the same landscape (not in the valley) We have no connection with Bradwell and it is an outrage to even suggest this proposal
52231			Surely it makes more sense to link Wardlow with Tideswell.
52233			as wardlow residents surely it makes more sense for wardlow to be in tideswell ward as this is nearest to us for shops and more importantly the doctors
52235			As a resident of Wardlow where the ward boundary is proposed to change, I do not support the move to Bradwell. I feel that our community is more closely linked to Tideswell where our shops, doctors and post office are.
52237			I prefer Tideswell
52239			Wardlow should be within the Longstone Ward
52241			Please consider placing Wardlow into Tideswell ward boundary and use the A623 as the hard boundary. Our local shops, doctors are also located in Tideswell.
52243			Prefer to put Wardlow with tideswell or failing that, great longstone NOT BRADWELL many thanks
52245			Prefer move to Tideswell.
52247			Prefer Tideswell
52249			As a resident of Wardlow, I would prefer to be placed in either Longstone or Tideswell Ward as there is more of a local connection (Church/local shops in Longstone, Litton and Tideswell as well as recreational facilities) with either of these areas as opposed to Bradwell.
52251			I would prefer to join the Tideswell area, we are much more closely connected to Tideswell and not at all with Bradwell.

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52253			I have no affiliations with Bradwell, and therefore do not feel any move to their ward would be advantageous or beneficial. As a village we are part of the benefice of Great Longstone and Calver in terms of Church affairs, and an existing relationship exists there. I would prefer that we were in that ward, but if that is not possible then as a second choice I would ask to go with Tideswell.
52255			Wardlow should be added to the Longstone ward boundary and not to Bradwell
52259			It is ridiculous that a village like Youlgrave (one of the largest villages in the District) will not have separate representation. Reduce Bakewell to two councillors and redistribute the third to the Lathkill ward
52261			The main change for us is on page 16 of the document and puts us(Alsop, Fenny Bentley, Parwich Thorpe & Tissington) with Brassington Bradbourne & Kniveton, taking out Mappleton and Heathcote/Biggin from our present amalgamation . I am not happy with this...but I fear that it is already a 'done deal' as we need to equalise the ward numbers as far as is possible. However the real problem is the new name.... White Peak. I feel we must change that name for the following reasons. I am VERY concerned about the name. White Peak.. Where is the 'White Peak'?? We have lost that iconic name that is Dovedale, the most cherished walkway in our area.... it is crazy to lose it from a tourism point of view!! If we are to have this ward then it must be called something else So perhaps Dovedale &.....(something) The Options: Dovedale & Parwich as it is at present or Dovedale & Brassington or perhaps Dovedale, Parwich & Brassington... I accept a bit long but it is what it says on the tin our potential ward is not the 'White Peak' !! In the pre-amble on page 16 it says that 'Our proposals were informed first by the principal of uniting Peak District National Park areas and avoiding grouping these with non-National Park areas'. Well , the Commission have forgotten that and united both Peak Park and non Peak Wards..... The inference of the proposed name of White Peak is that all the ward is in the National Park..when , as proposed, it is half and half and there will be utter confusion!! I feel that Brassington , Bradbourne & Kniveton do not want to be associated with the National Park if the ward is to be called 'White Peak'. I would respectfully submit that this new ward should be entitled 'Dovedale Parwich & Brassington'.
53149			I am not able to comment on the totality of the proposals but with regard to Bonsall I am clear that you have not had regard to the remit you set yourself of : Ensuring that the recommendations reflect community identity. • Providing arrangements that support effective and convenient local government. Bonsall has no community identity with Winster and the parishes north and west. 1.They are all in the PPPB area, whereas Bonsall has only a small part of its population within the PPPB. 2.There is one minor road between Bonsall and these parishes 3.Bonsall has no public transport links to these parishes. 4.The school in Bonsall has no pupils from these parishes, nor do any children from Bonsall attend any school in these parishes. 5.Historically these other parishes were in Bakewell RDC and looked to Bakewell for their services including the catchment for secondary education. Bonsall was part of Matlock UD. 6.The medical facilities for Bonsall are provided in Matlock/ Wirksworth whereas those for the parishes are Darley Dale, Hartington, Bakewell. 7.The church and chapels in Bonsall are part of team ministries facing away from the parishes which in turn face away from Bonsall. If one accepts the necessity, on a number of electors basis, for Bonsall to be merged with another parish(es) the logical connections are in the opposite direction primarily Cromford but also Matlock Bath and Middleton by Wirksworth provide options. Bonsall's principal route is to the A5012 and to Cromford used by the public transport that serves Bonsall. This physical link is reinforced by the joint interest in quarrying which results in the joint quarry liaison consultation body. No joint bodies exist with Bonsall's other neighbours. There are children at the school from Cromford and the secondary provision is in Wirksworth. (as is Cromfords). It is 15 years since the parish had a councillor resident in the Parish and the proposed arrangement will further discourage local involvement. This has resulted in the Parish Council taking an increasingly proactive role and self-sufficiency. This will not help the community to identify with Derbyshire Dales.
53153			I attach a detailed commentary on this ward. I also comment on the proposed Cromford and Rural Matlock ward because the considerations are very closely related.
53156			I would strongly contend that Lathkill and Bradford Ward should be retained. If necessary for electoral equality it should be enlarged by the addition of one or more nearby villages. Monyash and Over Haddon are both nearby and belong together. Over Haddon was lost to the ward at the last revision and should be restored to it. If another village needs to be added to make up numbers, Sheldon should be considered.

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54011			Reference changing Stoney Middleton from Calver to Hathersage. Sorry to say for you I fail to see any advantage in this proposal as SM has far more in common with Calver being adjacent to Calver and Curbar, including from a religious perspective. Hathersage is considered a HV place and we do not consider that ,more a bakewell place. I do not see anywhere in your documents why these proposals are necessary, are they a from a political perspective as we have always considered local Govt. to be independent of party politics Do we know if there are any cost implications involved, one would hope not in the current climate. Are there any benefits at all ! If not why change, we have far mor affinity with Calver than an outlying suburb of Sheffield
54013			Separating Stoney Middleton from Calver is a 'brave' suggestion - the sort of suggestion that some might think warrants referral to a psychiatric clinic. Our local shop is in Calver; our village hall is in Calver; our garden centre is in Calver; our main bus routes pass through Calver; our main telephone and broadband exchange box is in Calver. The A623 which links our villages causes similar problems in both: air pollution, noise, vehicles breaking the speed limits. Flooding and drainage issues along theA623 affect both villages. Having these two villages in separate wards may seem a great wheeze on paper, but in practice it is likely to result in bureaucratic wrangling, petty arguments, and administrative stalemates and delays. I suggest you think again.
54015			I do not agree with the proposal to move Bonsall from being in the same zone as Cromford to its being in with Winster. Most people in Bonsall rarely go through Winster or Elton, whereas to get to almost anywhere, we have to go through Cromford. We shop there, or go to Wirksworth or Matlock via Cromford. We have much in common - quarrying noise, traffic etc. which would be much better dealt with by councillors who represent both villages.
54017			I am not happy to see Stoney Middleton to be moved into the Hathersage ward. We have closer links with Calver. We share many of the same concerns such as the traffic along the A623. The boundary change also removes the responsibilities for Coombesdale from Stoney Middleton parish council, however the flooding and water from Coombesdale will be left with Stoney Middleton. Calver have absolutely no interest in the dale, so why give them responsibility? Stoney and Calver are two living villages with common interests and close links. The fact that too many homes in the park have been given over to holiday homes should not be used as an excuse to break the bonds that the two villages have. I am a parish councillor and this is a personal position.
54019			I am totally against Youlgrave being merged with Bakewell, we have been represented for years by an independent District Councillor and I can see no good reason to change this now.
54021			As a resident of Middleton by Youlgrave, I believe the villages along the Bradford valley should be kept and represented together at District Level.
54023			I do not agree with the proposal to combine Bonsall with Winster, Youlgreave etc. Bonsall is much more closely linked and associated with Cromford both geographically and socially. We share common access roads, local employers, pubs, shops, pathways and so on and their associated issues and benefits. Existing local councillors understand this and can therefore represent our needs and views much better than for instance someone living in Youlgreave, Winster or similar.
54025			Having looked at the suggested regrouping in terms of Bonsall it does seem illogical not to haveBonsall in with Cromford/Matlock. Cromford and Bonsall are much closer neighbours in terms of shared interests/interests and the fact that we use the facilities in Cromford....station, post office, newsagent and shopsmeans that we are more familiar with the locals there than in Winster etc. Local councillors should have an awareness of their local area and people and I think we would be best served by ones representing Cromford WITH Bonsall!
54027			We find it baffling to link Stoney Middleton with Hathersage Ward. Stoney Middleton has strong links to Calver Ward through schools, church and Parish Council. We have no historical links to Hathersage (except during the 16th century church link and the De Bernakes of Stoney Middleton and the Eyres of Hathersage). Coombesdale, the proposed border, links both with Calver and Great Longstone .If the proposed change is merely political then it ignores cultural, historical and educational links.

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54029			Changes to Masson Ward. The proposals seem ridiculous to me: Bonsall is much more closely linked to Cromford than any of the towns and villages in the proposed Bonsall and Winstar Ward. We passthrough Cromford to go almost anywhere, we share the same issues (e.g. quarrying, services, traffic)and we use the shops and pubs there. In short, our councillor(s) know what concerns us and what needs to be done for this area. I cannot see how an elected councillor from say Youlgreave, Elton or Winstar could possibly do that.
54031			I'm not happy with the proposed changes, I feel we have more in common with Comford, we share the same issues quarrying, traffic, services, we also use the local facilities shops and pubs in Cromford. The councillors know what our concerns are.
54033			The inclusion of Youlgreave with Bakewell sits very oddly - as a village we have very different needs and aspirations to a market town. As the smaller entity, our voice is less likely to be heard if subsumed into the town. If the Lathkill and Bradford ward is too small to be retained, it would make far more sense to add in some of the surrounding villages, allowing the village viewpoint a stronger representation within the District Council. The added benefit is that Bakewell could then go back to 2 councillors, which feels more balanced. To be incorporated into the Bakewell feels like a reduction in representation.
54035			Bonsall is much more closely linked to Cromford than any of the towns and villages north of us. We pass through it to go almost anywhere, we share the same issues (e.g. quarrying, services, traffic) and we use the shops and pubs there. In short, our councillor(s) know what concerns us and what needs to be done for this area. I cannot see how an elected councillor from say Youlgreave, Elton or Winstar could possibly do that.
54037			Bonsall is much more closely linked to Cromford than any of the towns and villages north of us. We pass through it to go almost anywhere, we share the same issues (e.g. quarrying, services, traffic) and we use the shops and pubs there. In short, our councillor(s) know what concerns us and what needs to be done for this area. I cannot see how an elected councillor from say Youlgreave, Elton or Winstar could possibly do that.
54039			As I resident of Bonsall, all the journeys I do, all the buses I use, all the services we have, and all my family and friends are all linked to this village through Cromford. We share communications, concerns about traffic, transport, quarries, our post office, our local shops all have links with Cromford. I shop in Wirksworth and Matlock I do not travel through Winstar. I have no connections what so ever with Winstar. We need to share our local representertives with Cromford and Wirksworth because we share issues and concerns. I walk on Masson hill everyday and appreciate this association topographically, policically and culturally. Please do not change the ward.
54041			I object to Youlgreave becoming part of Bakewell ward. It is completely different in every way toBakewekk and is very rural. It should be retained with Alport, Harthill, and Middleton with the addition of Over Haddon or Stanton and Birchover. All these villages have a similar rural identity and are geographically close and would better reflect a shared identity rather than the market town of Bakewell. The needs of a rural community such as Youlgreave are not the same as atown
54043			As a resident of Bonsall, I strongly disagree with this ward change proposal. Firstly, Bonsall residents mostly get papers and post office services from Cromford, and come and go up and down Clatterway through Cromford. We are affected by same issues as Cromford, via Gellia traffic, quarry noise and traffic and not in any sense affiliated with the remoter areas of the new proposed Bonsall and Winstar ward. Secondly, geographically, we are only partly in the Peak Park, and whilst some of the tourist issues do affect us, we are much closer both in distance and socially to Cromford and Matlock Bath -even with Wirksworth rather than a remote rural village in the Peak Park. In particular there are many small businesses operating from the village, of which we used to be one, who have very different needs to a predominately tourist and farming community. It feels very much as if an arbitrary line has been drawn on the map, without real consideration of what this move may mean for Bonsall villagers, having only one local councillor who may come from Youlgreave, Elton, or Winstar, with no real knowledge of this areas particular concerns. For example, we have had some issues over the last two to three years with noise from the re-extended Slinter quarry, within earshot of the lower half of Bonsall, coming from the quarry across the via Gellia in between Cromford and Wirksworth. We have had good input and action from councillors over this. It seems crazy to alter something apparently so arbitrarily - please don't change this boundary.

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54045			<p>thought-out one and would be deeply resented by the residents of the above communities . These are distinct village communities whose wants, needs, interests and outlook are significantly different to the clearly urban area of Bakewell. The Bradford valley communities have little in common with Bakewell and are at very real risk of being swallowed up by Bakewell, losing all effective representation and their own independent identities. Shops and shopping in Bakewell is on a hugely larger incomparable scale to Youlgrave's 3 shops, the same applies to the businesses in Bakewell and in the villages. Schools, churches, every sort of public facility are on a different scale and village life in the proposed Bakewell ward would become the forgotten poor relation of the market town. What would be the future of the thriving village groups if the proposed move went ahead? It is all too likely that they would become irrelevant. The truly famous Youlgrave pantomime was already, in pre-pandemic times, threatened by the newly resurrected Bakewell pantomime. No need to look behind you to see which production would triumph under the new proposals. If a village pantomime seems trivial, then perhaps more importantly the involvement of political parties is unfortunate and looks very like none-too-subtle manoeuvring pre-local and general elections. The Conservative Party should be less hungry-eyed when suggesting that the Bradford valley communities would make suitable additions to the Bakewell ward thus keeping its 3 council members ... and adds further weight to the argument that these village communities would lose their identities in the power-grab. As Bakewell Town Council will be of a similar political complexion to the Conservative Party, the same comments apply. This comes perilously close to election rigging while giving every semblance of fairness and democratic process - the serene swan floating effortlessly down the Wye, while under water its webbed feet are paddling furiously. PLEASE NOTE: These remarks would be the same had it been a local Labour, Lin Dem or Green Party in question. The blatant entry of party politics into this deliberation is unhelpful in the extreme and opens the door to suspicions of bias, chumocracy and</p>
54047			<p>I have reviewed your proposal for a new Bonsall and Winster ward. In your draft recommendations report you say: 46 The Labour and multi-party schemes grouped the parishes of Birchover, Bonsall, Elton, Gratton, and Winster in a one-councillor Bonsall ward with an electoral variance of -3%. This has formed the basis of our proposal for a Bonsall & Winster ward. With the inclusion of Birchover in our proposed Stanton ward, we have added the parishes of Harthill, Ible, Ivonbrook Grange, and Middleton & Smerrill. The inclusion of Ible and Ivonbrook Grange was also influenced by a number of submissions, including that from Middleton & Smerrill Parish Council, which requested that parishes within the Peak District National Park not be included with those without, due to the differing characters of the settlements and a separate planning process.' Bonsall is not within the Peak District national park for the main part and all its transport and delivery links go via the Via Gellia with the exception of some agricultural traffic (HGVs are not permitted through the village). Therefore linking it with Cromford and Matlock makes a lot more sense. I do not have an opinion on the numbers of population but believe you have already received and objection from existing councillors. in respect of disenfranchisement of Bonsall residents.</p>
54049			<p>I feel that the draft proposals for the linking of Youlgrave a small rural village with a market town like Bakewell would be a mistake. The needs and day to day issues of the two places are very different. It is more than likely that Youlgrave's needs would be buried by the needs of the larger area. It is important that rural communities have local representation. Linking Youlgrave and Alport to Over Haddon, Middleton and Smerrill and possibly Birchover and Stanton could be a better fit.</p>
54066			<p>We dont want to be in the Hathersage ward .. Stoney Middleton and Calver are linked by the A623 and share the same problem of speeding along the same road. We are also hydrologically linked with respect to flooding .. Stoney , Combs Dale where they want the boundary and Calver .. all part of the same catchment . You cant even get a bus to Hathersage from Stoney .. we have no links with it</p>
54070			<p>As a resident of Stoney Middleton I object to the proposed boundary change for the following reasons: A) The topography of Stoney Middleton and the nature of the built environment along the A623 naturally align the village with Calver. B) Stoney Middleton and Calver parishes have shared issues, for instance, the volume and speed of traffic using the A623. The benefit of remaining in the same ward is that when the two parish councils collaborate on such shared issues, it is advantageous to communicate with one representative covering both communities. C) The proposed boundary between Calver Ward and Hathersage Ward would follow Coombs Dale. Coombs Dale is historically and physically linked to Stoney Middleton and is a significant part of village life and yet it would be in a different ward.</p>

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54072			<p>I have lived in Wardlow for 40 years and was Chairman of the Parish Meeting for 25 years and Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee for 20 years. I consider that the proposal in your review of Derbyshire Dales District Wards to allocate Wardlow Parish into the Bradwell Ward is utterly ridiculous. Whilst trying to 'bump' up the number of residents in the Bradwell Ward by adding Wardlow Village, no consideration has been made as regards the various current community links Wardlow has with the adjacent Wards of Longstone and Tideswell. Local residents go to Tideswell for shopping, doctors, schools etc. and many residents have relatives in Tideswell. Wardlow news is included in the Village Voice Parish magazine which every household in Tideswell and Wardlow receives. Likewise Wardlow news and events are published in the Longstone Parish magazine 'Under the Edge' and every resident receives a copy. Wardlow is included in the Longstone Ecclesiastical area with the Church in Wardlow under their management. There are also links with Longstone with schools and local pubs and restaurants. Wardlow does NOT have any links to Bradwell. Indeed, I discussed this issue with a friend and I suggested that there were possibly residents in Wardlow that do not know where Bradwell is ! My friend responded by stating that there were probably more residents in Bradwell that do not know or CARE where Wardlow is ! And here we have the nub of the problem. Why would a local community such as Bradwell be interested in issues that only affect Wardlow, a village with no cultural and no community links to Bradwell ? Likewise, any District Councillor for the Bradwell Ward will concentrate their efforts, such as Planning Applications, on the wellbeing of Bradwell residents which may well be to the detriment of Wardlow residents. To sum up, it looks as though the review is sacrificing Local Community belonging and involvement just to keep the numbers up in a distant Ward. The number crunchers in the office has had their say, let the Local Residents affected have theirs. And listen to them !</p>
54589			<p>I would like to give my personal endorsement to the 'Joint Response' attached. (I was the person who collated the responses in order to produce this commentary & revised proposals). I would also like to add some additional comments that are specific to Ashbourne and these I have also attached.</p>
54606			<p>Duplicate submission</p>
54609			<p>I do not agree with the proposal to extend the Bakewell boundary to include outlying villages, including Youlgrave and Monyash. My village, Over Haddon, is currently included in the Bakewell boundary and has not been well served. It's specific concerns and interests have been drowned out by those of Bakewell. I would like to see the Lathkill and Bradford ward retained and the boundary extended to include Over Haddon and possibly other villages. I understand your objectives of electoral equality; community identity; and effective and convenient local government, but in my view, this proposal is prioritising the simple equalising of electorate to the detriment of the other two. The community identity of villages like Over Haddon, Youlgrave and Monyash is very different from Bakewell. Their concerns around transport, housing, access to services like healthcare, employment, poverty, and exclusion have very little resonance with Bakewell - astonishingly so, since they are relatively close in terms of distance. This is clearly demonstrated by the councillors chosen by the electorate - 3 Conservative Councillors in Bakewell and an Independent in Lathkill and Bradford. In fact, that ward has a tradition of electing independents to reflect the specific interests of the people. Community identity is not served by lumping these remote working villages together with the wealthier and better served town of Bakewell. Neither is the aim of effective and convenient local government. These would be far better served by grouping the villages together.</p>
54611			<p>I am writing to express my concern about the proposal to remove Bonsall from the Masson ward and place it in a new ward called Bonsall and Winster. In my opinion Bonsall is much more naturally linked both socially and economically to the Cromford and Matlock Bath communities. Our most local shops including the post office and newsagents are based in Cromford. We share issues of living and working alongside the quarrying industry with Cromford. Our journey out of Bonsall almost always takes us through Cromford. I ask you to reconsider this proposal and leave Bonsall in the Masson ward Thank you for your attention.</p>

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54613			I disagree with the proposals to increase the Bakewell Ward and to abolish the Lathkill and Bradford Ward for Derbyshire Dales DC. My village, Over Haddon, should be included in an expanded Lathkill and Bradford Ward. On key policy issues, such as planning, transport and local economic development, the villages of Over Haddon, Youlgrave and Monyash have lots in common with each other and little in common with the town of Bakewell. Over Haddon is already a minor issue for the existing 3 Councillors who are more concerned with Bakewell town issues. A new larger ward will dilute and make more difficult our chances to be heard and to influence policy. In party political terms, your proposal will ensure the ruling political party retains 3 Conservative Councillors for the expanded Bakewell Ward. Although Youlgrave is not my village, you will extinguish Youlgrave's very welcome independent political representation. It is already difficult enough for independents to succeed in our 'winner-takes-all' political system. For our local area, your proposal makes that even more difficult.
54615			I very much DISAGREE with the proposal to include Youlgrave into the Bakewell Ward for the following reasons: 1. The communities of Youlgrave and the Bradford river valley have a very separate rural identity that should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from that of Youlgrave and the Bradford valley. 2. My understanding for the proposal is that in line with the Boundary commission's aims, the inclusion of the Youlgrave ward into Bakewell would ensure the retention of Bakewell's current 3 district councillors. I do not see this as a valid reason when dealing with the voice of our local community; perhaps the reduction to 2 Bakewell district councillors would be a more satisfactory conclusion. 3. In line with the Boundary commission's aims, an alternative to the proposal would be to include the current Stanton ward into that of Lathkill and Bradford ensuring the rural community voice is recognised, heard and maintained
54617			I very much disagree with the proposal to include Youlgrave into the Bakewell Ward for the following reasons: 1. The communities of Youlgrave and the Bradford river valley have a very separate rural identity that should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from that of Youlgrave and the Bradford valley, as such there is no rational logic to this proposal. 2. My understanding for the proposal is that in line with the Boundary commission's aims, the inclusion of the Youlgrave ward into Bakewell would ensure the retention of Bakewell's current 3 district councillors. I do not see this as a valid reason when dealing with the voice of our local community; perhaps the reduction to 2 Bakewell district councillors would be a more satisfactory conclusion. 3. In line with the Boundary commission's aims, an alternative to the proposal would be to include the current Stanton ward into that of Lathkill and Bradford ensuring the rural community voice is recognised, heard and maintained
54619			The proposed boundary for Tansley does not benefit the village in any way. The new area links the village with areas that are totally unrelated and do not share the same issues. Tansley is much closer to Matlock and should form part of this area. It's interests would be far better represented by being part of the Matlock boundary. The area currently proposed is geographically too vast and diverse and would be underrepresented by the two councillors proposed. It would be far better to link Tansley with Matlock, a town close to the village and with whom Tansley already shares similar interests and business links. Consideration should be given to such matters to ensure that the new boundaries reflect areas that have meaningful links, issues and concerns.
54621			I do not believe removing Tansley from Matlock St Giles makes any sense at all. As a governor at Highfields School, it is clear that our teenagers typically attend school in Matlock - an area most Tansley residents naturally use for shopping, GP surgeries and other facilities. I don't believe Tansley has anything in common with the tourist destination of Matlock Bath.
54623			It is hard to imagine a more unnatural coupling than the attempt to link Tansley with Cromford and Matlock Bath. Tansley's natural links are with our nearest community which is Matlock St. Giles. There isn't even a road which links Tansley to Cromford and Matlock Bath without going through another ward! Our concerns as a village are clearly linked to Matlock in terms of transport, work, amenities and social life. I suggest a rethink!

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54625			Tansley has a long-established association with Matlock for shopping, business, health facilities etc. Furthermore, our children attend secondary school at Starkholmes and Matlock. There is a natural synergy between these adjacent communities. The Parish Council believes that politically we are more likely to be heard if we are aligned with Matlock. The Parish Council does not think we have anything in common with the tourist destination of Matlock Bath and we feel that Cromford has more in common with Wirksworth and the outlying areas. The Parish Council questions the recommendation to make Tansley part of a ward which appears to lack any geographical coherence, and which is so geographically far reaching. The Parish Council also objects strongly to the loss of identity for Tansley, a village of over 1,000 residents, if it merges settlements with which it has little in common.
54627			I can see no reason why Tansley should be linked with Cromford and Matlock Rural as we have no common links to areas to the villages to the west and south of us, The majority of Tansley residents have far more in common including with the areas included in the current Matlock St Giles ward
54629			Derbyshire Dales District Council. They propose to reduce the number of councillors from 39 to 34 & to even up the representation of electors. The argument for levelling out representation is fair but the impact on the representation of Youlgrave is not, as it is proposed to incorporate Youlgrave into Bakewell, which will be represented by 3 councillors. Youlgrave and other rural villages have different interests from those of Bakewell. The Bakewell representation should be reduced to 2 and the other councillor should represent Youlgrave and an appropriate number of other rural parishes. Middleton & Smerrill together with Harthill have been put into Bonsall & Winster Ward although they are closely linked with Youlgrave. A prime objection to the change is taking away our traditionally independent council representation and bringing most of the Lathkill and Bradford Ward into the Bakewell Ward that is a political party ward. This change was proposed by the local Conservative Party. In the report, the submissions by local Parish Councils including Youlgrave, Over Haddon & Stanton in the Peak, stating that Rural wards should not be a part of towns have not been referred to and ignored. I have used the criteria set out by the Boundary Commission, the reasons for changing the proposal are set out in an attachment. Proposition 1. Youlgrave should be in a rural ward (separate from the town of Bakewell). 2. Middleton & Smerrill and Harthill are a part of the same community, so should remain in the same ward as Youlgrave. 3. Monyash and Over Haddon are geographically in the same area as Youlgrave, so should be together and not part of Bakewell. 4. If the number of voters needs to be increased the parishes of Sheldon and Ashford in the Water are currently within Bakewell. They are rural areas that could fit with the Lathkill and Bradford Parishes. Other adjacent rural parishes could also be logically included if it made more sense. Reasons – using the 8 criteria set out by the Boundary Commission. 1. Reflect Community Interests and identities and includes evidence of community links a. The village of Youlgrave is close to Middleton by Youlgrave, Alport & Harthill and constitutes a community sharing the village shops, pubs and clubs. b. Youlgrave, Alport, Middleton by Youlgrave & Harthill
54630			I feel that to extend the Wirksworth boundaries is to distort the unity of the town. Outlying areas such as Carsington Water and Idrigehay do not feel they are part of Wirksworth and vice versa.
54633			I think the proposal to link Bonsall with Winter and other communities is flawed. Bonsall is linked to Cromford in terms of transport, traffic, shops and public services etc. There is no strong connection with Winster, Elton, Middleton by Youlgrave etc.
54635			No comments to make. Seems like a sensible realignment given the electorate numbers across Derbyshire Dales. The amalgamation of Snelston into Norbury is also appropriate given the close links between the Norbury and the other villages and hamlets included.
54638			We wish to object to the proposed boundary changes affecting Youlgrave Parish. 1. The interests of Youlgrave residents are very different from those of people living in a town such as Bakewell. 2. We understand the need to reduce the number of councillors but if Bakewell was represented by two councillors then a number of local villages could form a rural ward better representing the interests of the villages.
54648			I live in Bonsall, Matlock, Derbyshire and have read through the proposals for the new boundaries within Derbyshire Dales. I have also liaised with my close neighbour Peter McNally and rather than reiterating all his comments I would simply say that I totally agree with his submission and recommend Bonsall remain tied to Cromford, our close and immediate parish rather than be artificially connected to a different group of villages with which we have no links in terms of interests, public transport and commerce.

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54651			<p>Youlgrave is one of the largest villages in the PDNP. For decades the ward has been represented by an Independent councillor. The issues that face our village are similar to many other villages in this area. We are the custodians of the Lathkill, Bradford and Middleton Dales. The farming, walkers and cyclists, holiday cottage industry and the stonebreakers, shape this landscape; we work and live within it and are concerned for its future. Market towns are different and attract a different kind of tourist and they will have two representatives. The environment within the dales needs our voice. We need to be represented by an Independent councillor who is part of our lifestyle and is truly aware of action that is required to repair and upgrade the landscape and maintain our community of which Middleton by Youlgrave is a significant part.</p>
54653			<p>I am in total agreement with Youlgrave Parish Council, in that I believe that the communities of the Bradford valley - Alport, Harthill, Middleton and Youlgrave - have a separate rural identity that should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. I am also in agreement that Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from Youlgrave's, and the fear is that by being swallowed up in Bakewell ward our community will lose effective representation.</p>
54654			<p>I object to the Boundary commission proposals which will split up the Lathkill & Bradford ward, with much of it to be included in Bakewell ward. In particular Youlgrave, one of the largest and most distinctive villages in the Peak District, would be in the same ward as Bakewell, despite both having very significantly different issues and local identity. I would urge the Boundary Commission to retain the existing Lathkill & Bradford ward which unites villages with a clear and historic group identity, and facing similar issues such as overweight traffic, visitor management, environmental protection, affordable housing etc which differ from the issues requiring proper focus in Bakewell. In this sense, the proposed changes definitely would not reflect the interests and identities of these local communities, and would not promote effective local government. Therefore I would urge the Commission to retain Lathkill & Bradford ward and (if more electors are required) add Over Haddon (historically in this ward) or even Stanton-in-Peak and Birchover - which would allow much more logical and efficient local government.</p>
54657			<p>There are some very strange proposals in the north of Derbyshire Dales, i.e. Hathersage, Bradwell, Tideswell, Calver, Litton & Longstone, Bakewell. The proposals do not seem to have taken account of social groupings or geographical terrain.</p>
54659			<p>I see no need to change the boundaries. Any alteration would have no benefit to the local communities and in the case of the Bradford Valley (Alport, Harthill, Middleton and Youlgrave) would be detrimental</p>
54660			<p>We have been Tansley residents for the last 27 years and object strongly to these new boundaries. They may have some logic to whoever thought them up but they do not bear any relation to reality- Tansley links directly with Matlock Green and Matlock - in distance, amenities, shops, culture and identity. It is on the main road and valley which leads directly to Matlock. We have no links at all with Cromford and Matlock Bath which is in the next valley over a high hill and escarpment and is totally detached from Tansley. Tansley does not have any of the characteristics of Cromford and Matlock Bath. This is a rural, working village and the proposed link would be with a large holiday destination, commercial properties, shops and day tripping amenities. We have been served well by the 3 councillors in the past and the reduction does not make any sense in terms of proper representation for the residents of Tansley. One of our concerns would be the reduction in Councillors and that the 2 remaining councillors would relate to the Cromford and Matlock Bath area because of its characteristics and Tansley would be marginalised. We want to be identified with and be a part of the planning and services for this valley and not the Derwent valley leading to Derby. We urge you to take notice of these vitally important views in terms of fair representation</p>

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54663			<p>Lathkill & Bradford Ward (L&BW) into Bakewell Ward for the following reasons: 1. Whilst the need for levelling out representation is understandable & reasonable, the impact on the representation of Youlgrave & the other villages in our L&BW is not, since it proposes to incorporate all our existing parishes into Bakewell, which will be represented by 3 councillors. Youlgrave and other rural villages have significantly different interests & needs to those of Bakewell. I think that the Bakewell councillors should be reduced to 2 in accord with The Boundary Commission's aim to reduce the number of councillors and to have ideally 2 Councillors per ward. Another elected councillor should represent Youlgrave in L&BW (or a new name?) and I suggest an additional number of other rural parishes. For example, Middleton & Smerrill with Harthill are closely linked with Youlgrave, but are proposed to be put into Bonsall & Winster Ward, whereas they should remain in the same ward as Youlgrave (perhaps even considering the addition of other adjacent rural parishes?). 2. Another prime objection to the change is taking away our traditionally independent council representation and bringing most of the Lathkill and Bradford Ward into the Bakewell Ward that is a political party ward --- a change proposed by the local Conservative Party (surprise, suprise!). 3. I understand the recommendation is for rural parishes to have one councillor, which is reasonable. Bakewell is already represented by 3 councillors but it needs more electors to justify retaining 3 councillors, hence their argument for absorbing us! There is no mention in the report of local Parish Councils (Youlgrave, Middleton & Smerrill, Over Haddon, Stanton) submissions, who I understand wish to stay separate from towns, whereas Bakewell Town & Conservative Party submissions to absorb rural parishes "to make up numbers in Bakewell" are quoted and accepted --- which clearly displays their intent & is unacceptable. NO! 4. Yet a further objection follows that if the BC recommendation is implemented urban interests, issues & motivations will dominate rural ones, by virtue of numbers & density --- very, very undemocratic. Please reject this BC & Bakewell recommendation.</p>
54664			<p>I understand the need to reduce administrative costs of the council and I agree with reducing numbers of councillors and that the areas need to be calved up in a more equal way as far as number of voters is concerned. My problem is that whichever way you calve up the 'pie' under the current voting system some peoples views will never be represented whatever community you suggest they live in. If you have a system that only listens to the biggest/loudest voice in that community then the rest of the community is irrelevant. Proportional representation is the only way to give equal value to each person in an area, it would also future proof the system as the need to keep changing boundaries so that the same number of people are represented would no longer be required</p>
54667			<p>I am a Tansley resident and note the proposed boundary changes which suggest Tansley be linked to Cromford and Matlock Bath. I cannot see any logic to this reorganisation. Tansley has no links geographically, economically or culturally to the A6 corridor. Our links are around the Nottingham road and into the outer part of Matlock. The normal school catchment areas do not coincide as children from Cromford often drain to Wirksworth not to Highfields. The current District Counsellors have a longstanding relationship with the current community which I see no reason (Other than a potentially political one) to put this relationship at risk. If the population of Matlock St Giles wish to change their representative that is their right at elections.</p>
54668			<p>I am completely against moving Youlgrave into the Bakewell boundary. The needs and representations of Youlgrave and Bakewell are completely different and both have different requirements and criteria. One, Bakewell, is tourist based market town. Youlgrave and other surrounding villages have very different priorities. As I appreciate that boundary rationalisation is necessary it would make much more sense for Youlgrave to be grouped with similar local villages in the surrounding area rather than with a much larger market town. Please reconsider your boundary recommendations. Our local councillor has given exemplary service to the local community and outlying area for many many years and to change to an unknown councillor from the Bakewell area would be a disservice not only to our local area but also to our local councillor.</p>

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54671			<p>Hello, I am writing to voice my concerns over the proposed amalgamation Tansley, Cromford and Matlock Bath. My concerns are two fold. 1. The areas are not naturally geographically linked and 2. More importantly the areas bear no resemblance to each other and have totally different issues. Matlock Bath and Cromford have issues with high volume tourism, bringing traffic problems, parking problems, litter and issues re commerce. Tansley is largely a small residential village with no tourism, traffic problems and no commerce. Linking Tansley with the other two would result in it becoming the poor relation of the three and I feel it would get left behind when council funding for services, projects etc are under discussion. I feel this will be a retrograde step for Tansley and will effect the development and maintenance of the village for years to come.</p>
54678			<p>Noooooooo!!!! Bonsall is a village mainly serviced by the Via Gellia, and we all - more or less - go through Cromford to get anywhere!!!! We are therefore subject to many of the same interests /concerns of the parish of Cromford. I would strongly, strongly oppose this, as i think many will in Bonsall.</p>
54680			<p>There should be a separate ward to include the village communities of Youlgrave and Alport (875 electors), Middleton & Smerrill (119), Harthill (46), Monyash (268) and Over Haddon (205), making a total of 1,513 electors. This would be slightly below the ward average; but by adding Gratton (14) and Elton (323) - which are both at the head of the River Bradford valley - this would make a total of 1,850 electors. An alternative to Elton might be to include Stanton or Birchover (both in Youlgrave's C of E parish), which have over 280 electors each.</p>
54682			<p>As long time residents of Youlgreave we are completely opposed to the proposal to sweep the village into Bakewell Ward. Youlgreave and Middleton are distinct villages. Youlgreave, in particular is a community with two well-used shops (including a post office), a garage and three pubs. As has been proved during the pandemic we can exist here in the village without going into Bakewell to do our shopping. The village also has a large, mediaeval parish church, a Methodist chapel, a doctor's surgery and an active, family based primary school and village staffed play school. There are several long established community events such as the annual pantomime, the well dressing festival. A community land trust was established to promote local needs and succeeded in developing affordable houses for people brought up in the village and is actively working to develop more after carrying out a survey to establish local need. This association also has a community orchard which is maintained by local people. We are an active friendly community and do not want to become swamped as part of larger authority.</p>
54688			<p>The Boundary Commission have proposed changes which would eliminate the Lathkill and Bradford ward and separate the representation of Youlgrave and Middleton. Middleton-by-Youlgrave is literally, socially, geographically, and nominally just that. By Youlgrave. It has been for centuries. Neighbouring parishes such as Smerrill, Over Haddon and Stanton have a similar rural identity. It does not seem right that in order to maintain the existing representation of the separate and socially diverse Bakewell ward anyone would consider changing that status. Especially since there could also be political implications to such a change. According to the boundary commission, Bakewell ward has more councillors per head of population to represent its community than it needs. By any common logic the adjustment required is to reduce their number. To propose the reorganisation of outlying communities in order to justify the continuation of Bakewell's representation is basic gerrymandering. The resulting change to the outlying communities will be to their detriment. History is littered with disasters of social experimentation brought about by bureaucratic interference. I strongly disagree with the proposed reorganisation of our rural council structures. Please do not consider eliminating the Lathkill and Bradford ward. By all means consider reinstating Over Haddon to it where it would be better represented. (Over Haddon was removed in a previous boundary adjustment) Youlgrave's separate rural identity should continue to be represented at District level. As the commission says, ward boundaries should "reflect the interests and identities of local communities as well as promoting effective local government". I don't believe that including Youlgrave in the Bakewell ward would meet these aims. Youlgrave's more rural community has completely different interests from those of a town such as Bakewell and need separate representation.</p>

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54689			I object to the proposed abolition of Lathkill & Bradford Ward and the proposal to amalgamate Middleton and Smerrill into Bonsall and Winster Ward. Middleton-by-Youlgrave is one of closely connected the Bradford Valley villages. Its connections with Winster and Bonsall are insignificant. Our communications and political, social, educational, cultural outlook are entirely within the Bradford Valley. This needs to be recognised and represented in the boundary changes.
54692			The Boundary Commission have proposed changes which would eliminate the Lathkill and Bradford ward and separate the representation of Youlgrave and Middleton. Middleton-by-Youlgrave is literally, socially, geographically, and nominally just that. By Youlgrave. It has been for centuries. Neighbouring parishes such as Smerrill, Over Haddon and Stanton have a similar rural identity. It does not seem right that in order to maintain the existing representation of the separate and socially diverse Bakewell ward anyone would consider changing that status. Especially since there could also be political implications to such a change. According to the boundary commission, Bakewell ward has more councillors per head of population to represent its community than it needs. By any common logic the adjustment required is to reduce their number. To propose the reorganisation of outlying communities in order to justify the continuation of Bakewell's representation is basic gerrymandering. The resulting change to the outlying communities will be to their detriment. History is littered with disasters of social experimentation brought about by bureaucratic interference. I strongly disagree with the proposed reorganisation of our rural council structures. Please do not consider eliminating the Lathkill and Bradford ward. By all means consider reinstating Over Haddon to it where it would be better represented. (Over Haddon was removed in a previous boundary adjustment) Youlgrave's separate rural identity should continue to be represented at District level. As the commission says, ward boundaries should "reflect the interests and identities of local communities as well as promoting effective local government". I don't believe that including Youlgrave in the Bakewell ward would meet these aims. Youlgrave's more rural community has completely different interests from those of a town such as Bakewell and need separate representation.
55320			I strongly object to the proposed new boundary transferring Middleton-by-Youlgrave to the Bonsall and Winster Ward. Our village, as the place-name implies, has very strong links to its neighbour, Youlgrave. Our village shops, pubs, post-office, surgery are there and, importantly for us, our child goes to the local school, Youlgrave All Saints Primary School. She will go (hopefully) to Lady Manners in Bakewell - our local town - with friends from the parish of Middleton and Smerrill, along with children from Youlgrave. Geographically we are close to Youlgrave - sharing the Dale, main road bus service. We have no community connection with Winster or Bonsall, have different cultural identities which makes these villages / parishes the fantastic places they are. Please do not make the proposed changes!
55321			We would like things to stay as they are but if there is going to be a change in boundaries we think Middleton by Youlgrave should be in the same boundary as Youlgrave.
55323			I strongly believe that the communities of the Bradford valley - Alport, Harthill, Middleton and Youlgrave – have a separate rural identity to Bakewell and that should be reflected in their continued representation at District level. Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from the villages and Youlgrave's in particular, and I fear that by being swallowed up in the Bakewell ward our community will lose effective representation. Please don't lump the villages in with a town. If you need to join anything together join the villages and give them a bigger collective voice.
55325			The communities of the Bradford valley – Alport, Harthill, Middleton and Youlgrave – have a separate rural identity that should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from Youlgrave's, and the fear is that by being swallowed up in Bakewell ward our community will lose effective representation. I am against your proposal.
55329			As a long term resident for 25 years in Youlgrave I am highly concerned about the changes that are being proposed. Youlgrave is a village, not a town and our interests will not be served correctly with being merged with Bakewell. Everyone in the village is shocked and concerned.

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55330			Just wanted to voice significant concerns over the proposals. Youlgrave is a small village, clearly with differing needs to that of a bigger market town. I would be very concerned that our needs would not be met with deleterious consequences if the proposals were met. My understanding is that there are other more obvious ways of dealing with dwindling numbers. By adding Over Haddon, or Stanton or Birchover this would bring up the numbers and ensure an appropriately sized, and logically defined rural ward. Our rural identify needs to be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. I fear we would lose effective representation by being engulfed in the Bakewell ward. I urge the proposals to be reconsidered, especially in light of there being significantly better alternatives.
55332			Youlgrave, Middleton, alport and hart hill have been as 'one' community for as long as I have lived and years before that. To change it now would be absurd. Completely unnecessary. For what reason?? We re a small but strong, united community with a very special bond. I fear we would be swallowed up and become irrelevant if linked to a larger area. If it's not broke then don't fix it!
55335			I live in the village of youlgreave. We have a parish council that looks after the needs of those who live within its boundaries. The councillors live in the area so have knowledge of what is happening on a day to day basis. I personally do not want someone who doesn't live or have knowledge of the village making decisions that will effect peoples life's. I can contact a counsellor to tell them of my concerns and be sorted , unlike someone who doesn't live in the area or know the concerns of the village. It should be better left as it is.
55336			It is very concerning to me that if the boundaries change we will loose our village identity as Bakewells needs are very different to our own.
55339			I would like to strongly oppose the merger especially in regards to Youlgrave joining the ward with Bakewell, of this happens Youlgrave will never be fairly represented as Bakewell is a bigger concern and brings in a lot of income for DDC so it will always need to be favourable! Youlgrave is a totally different community with its own important needs, which need to suit our own demographics, for what best suits us in these rural communities, our voice in this merger will be lost in this bigger ward and we will be just a community sat behind Bakewell. I feel there is no need to change it, we are represented by someone who has lived and worked amongst us and pushes for change and gives our small communities a voice, why fix something that's not broken?
55341			Youlgrave should be included in the same area as the other local villages with which we have much in common and certainly not be swallowed up into Bakewell which has very different issues and needs.
55342			Youlgrave is a small village that doesn't need to be named under bakewell. We have lots of small community events. Leave Youlgrave as it's own area please,
55344			My comments relate to the area of Derbyshire Dales District in the DE4 5HJ and DE4 5HL postcode areas, known as Homesford. Currently this area is part of the Wirksworth ward but is four miles away from the town and does not have any logical connection to Wirksworth. The area is right at the very edge of the District Council boundary, being bounded on one side by the current Masson ward and on the southern side by the border with Amber Valley Borough Council. The electors of the area are required to cast their votes at the Bolehill Polling Station at elections, which means driving past the polling station at Cromford to get to the one at Bolehill. This does not seem sensible or environmentally desirable. In addition, the area looks to either Cromford or Crich, in the Amber Valley Borough, for such things as local shopping needs and community activities. I would therefore like to suggest that the area known as Homesford and comprising the postcodes of DE45HJ and DE4 5HL be incorporated into the proposed Cromford and Matlock Rural Ward. The effect of this will be to remove approximately 25 electors from the proposed Wirksworth and Carsington Ward, thus reducing the number of electors per councillor nearer to the average and transferring them to the proposed Cromford and Matlock Rural Ward, bringing the number of electors per councillor in the ward up nearer the average.
55347			I strongly object to the proposal to include Youlgrave and Alport as part of Bakewell ward. Youlgrave has a strong village identity and affinity with its neighbouring villages with its own very strong sense of community and community services - the village shops, pubs and surgery. There is no sense of connection or community cohesion with the nearby town of Bakewell.

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55350			I do not believe Youlgrave should be coupled with Bakewell as opposed to Middleton etc that it has always been associated with! I live in Conksbury just outside Youlgrave and I feel the village is vastly different from Bakewell. The demographics, are totally different between Bakewell as a town and Youlgrave as a small village. It is utter nonsense and if it goes ahead any changes that affect Bakewell will not be remotely applicable to Youlgrave. You need to listen to your constituents and make a sensible choice. Pair like with like not opposites. Village life is paramount in Youlgrave and changes like this could cause irreversible damage to the longstanding community spirit with Middleton and surrounding villages. Dr Katherine Brennan (Mrs Bates)
55351			As a long term resident of Youlgrave I disagree with the amalgamation with Bakewell. I cannot understand what it would achieve except erode the villages strong identity.
55353			I totally endorse the complete response from Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council with regard to you trying to change the parish boundary.
55355			We live in the parish of Harthill which you propose, moving from Youlgrave to Winster & Bonsall. This makes no sense whatsoever. Harthill has absolutely no connection to Bonsall or Winster and is clearly just being used to make up the numbers by someone who has no local knowledge. Harthill associates with the town of Bakewell, whilst Bonsall & Winster associate with either Matlock or Wirksworth. We would all prefer to remain as a ward with Youlgrave or other neighbouring villages such as Monyash, Over Haddon, Stanton in the Peak or Birchover. We have hardly ever been to Bonsall or Winster and know very little about them, so cannot believe that they could ever be considered our 'local' council. The children from Middleton & Harthill go to school in Bakewell, whilst we believe the children from Bonsall & Winster go to secondary school in Wirksworth - 2 very different towns & communities.
55358			I would like Tansley to remain in the same ward as Matlock (town). Tansley has a long-established association with Matlock for shopping, business, health facilities etc. Most of Tansley's children attend secondary school at Starkholmes and Matlock. There is an historical and current synergy between Tansley and Matlock. Tansley has nothing in common with the tourist destination of Matlock Bath and Cromford has more in common with Wirksworth and the outlying areas. It is not desirable for Tansley to be part of a ward that lacks geographical coherence and is too far reaching. Tansley would lose its identity as a village of 1,200 residents, if it merges with settlements with which it has little in common.
55359			I don't believe the changes you propose are in Tansley best interest. Being grouped in with a large tourist area like Matlock Bath & Cromford which has different requirements than a village like Tansley. To reduce the councillors and make the Ward larger means more local problems will be left on the shelf unsolved. So please leave it be.
55363			I live in Youlgrave with my husband. We do not consider these proposed boundary changes to be positive. Youlgrave Alport and Middleton are very different to Bakewell with completely different interests. We do not hope to attract thousands of visitors we do want people to come and enjoy our unique village with its own history including its own water supply. We have an excellent councillor who has lived in the village for many years and understands the local issues. Youlgrave is unique in that it is a place where people come to walk, take part in well dressing or enjoy a pantomime performance. In Youlgrave we are generally self sufficient with our own shops, school, medical centre, garage, village hall, allotments, bowling green, sports ground, several churches, clubs and societies, farmers, businesses Why would there be any advantage to Youlgrave ,Alport and Middleton to be joined with Bakewell to be swallowed!
55366			I feel we must protest at the suggestion of Youlgrave and Alport being incorporated with Bakewell in the proposed boundary changes. As Youlgrave parish councillors are mostly made up of people born and brought up in the village, we feel they no the matters local people consider are important to the local area. If Youlgrave and Alport were to come under Bakewell I feel we would comes econd to the needs of a town. Yours sincerely Anne Prince and Robert Dawson

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55368			As a resident of Wirksworth Ward I have concerns about the proposed boundary changes and their affect on democratic representation. The proposals mean that Wirksworth has one of the highest variances (11%) and the comparison with Bakewell which also has three councillors but a much smaller electorate seems inequitable. I would support moving Kirk Ireton PC back to its near neighbour Hulland which shares similarities in terms of its community. I would also support moving Bradley PC from Hulland to Ashbourne South or North with which it shares, not only a common boundary, but also a similar character for its community. If these alterations were made Wirksworth Carsington Water would have a much reduced variance and this variance would not be significantly affected by projected growths in the electorate. I ask you to give careful consideration to these proposals.
55370			No to abolishing Youlgrave's district council ward
55372			I have lived in Middleton by Youlgreave parish for over 20 years We are part of the Lathkill and Bradford Ward because the community interests are exactly aligned with this area and no other. We do not share our interests with the neighbouring parish in any way whatsoever, geographical, economic, historical, environmental.
55374			We would like to object to the proposed abolition of the Lathkill and Bradford Ward. We have no desire to amalgamate with the town of Bakewell. Youlgrave and existing associated ward villages have always shared services and social facilities, surgery, shops, schools, clubs, churches, public transport and much more. What is the point in making unnecessary changes to a ward and close connected villages already working perfectly well. Bakewell will always have different interests and aspirations and we do not believe this would make a sensible match.
55376			I am really surprised that Tansley is being linked with Matlock bath and Cromford in this proposal. Tansley being a small rural village with strong links to Matlock. It is not a tourist hotspot; areas which would need extra financial support to update its attractions. I worry that Tansley would become a secondary consideration. It also seems illogical geographically? For both these reasons I think Tansley would become under represented in council and we would loose any voice we have in community issues and concerns.
55378			Why link Tansley with Matlock bath and Cromford in this proposal. Tansley being a small rural village with strong links to Matlock St Giles. It is not a tourist hotspot, or as commercial as Matlock bath and Cromford. These areas will need extra financial support in the future to update its attractions. I worry that Tansley would become a secondary consideration and backwater. We don't even have one single shop for the current residents It also seems illogical geographically? For these reasons I think Tansley would become under represented in council and we would loose any voice we have in community issues and concerns and lack of funding. Tansley and it's current community spirit would die..
55380			Commission's proposal to abolish the Lathkill and Bradford ward of Derbyshire Dales District Council. I wish to support the objection made by the Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council to the proposal and to endorse its alternative proposals. I wish to make the following comments: (i) WARD BOUNDARIES SHOULD REFLECT THE INTERESTS AND IDENTITIES OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES: as a resident here for 5 years, I have consulted with local residents who have lived in this community for decades - in some instances their families have lived here for generations. I have not met one who can understand how the Commission can propose new ward boundaries which place Middleton-by-Youlgrave in a new ward with Bonsall and Winster. Local knowledge matters: no-one can see which interests and local identities are served by this proposal. It would be interesting to learn if any local person made a proposal along these lines. 2. THE TIES BETWEEN MIDDLETON-BY-YOULGRAVE AND YOULGRAVE: these are concisely set out in the submission by Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council. Everyone recognises these because they are real and ongoing. They constitute a compelling list of shared interests and identities. 3. WARD REPRESENTATION: the current Lathkill and Bradford ward is represented by a person living in the Bradford Valley with an intimate knowledge of all its communities. I regularly attend meetings of the Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council as a layperson. The district ward councillor is a frequent participant and works closely with the community on issues relating to the district council. This is a demonstration of how a ward covering close rural communities has its interests very well served by the current ward boundaries. It fully satisfies any criterion for effective and convenient local government 4. RECOMMENDATION BY BAKEWELL TOWN COUNCIL AND THE LOCAL CONSERVATIVE PARTY: it is my understanding that the proposal for abolishing the Lathkill and Bradford ward came from these two organisations. I should point out to the Boundary Commission that there is no evidence whatsoever that these submissions from Bakewell Town Council & the Conservative Party were preceded by any consultation with the parish councils within the current ward area or with any other

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55382			The imposition of incorporating Youlgreave into the Bakewell area is absolutely ludicrous. Youlgreave has no social connection whatever with Bakewell, and to remove a village called Middleton by Youlgreave into another area shows the complete detachment of officials from reality. You are dealing with real people here, from villages that have a sense of community and belonging that has grown over centuries. May I remind you that Youlgreave was the mother church for all those villages, Elton , Alport, Over Haddon and of course Middleton by Youlgreave and you propose to obliterate history with the stroke of a pen just so Bakewell can retain its three councillors, perhaps they could manage with two and leave our band of villages alone. If it isn't broke, don't mend it. By the way, to find that the local Conservative party is in favour of this disgraceful disregard for Youlgreave and other villages has prompted me to send my resignation from the local Conservative party immediately. M. Stacey.
55384			I totally agree with the views of Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council and we should NOT become part of the Bonsall and Winster Ward. There is no benefit in moving us away from our neighbouring village of Youlgrave.
55386			1) I disagree with the proposal to add Youlgrave to the Bakewell ward 2) The communities of the Bradford valley have a rural identity whose needs can be different from Bakewell. Therefore these needs should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level rather being swallowed up in the Bakewell ward. 3) If the issue of the number of electors in the Bradford ward is critical, it can be solved by the addition of similar communities in Over Haddon or Stanton and Birchover. 4) Adding Bradford Valley to Bakewell has no community benefits and would seem to have been proposed solely to maintain the existing number of Bakewell councillors rather than the Boundary Commission's aim of 2 councillors per ward
55390			I have lived in the village of Over Haddon since 1967 and for most of that time we have been included with neighbouring villages/parishes sharing similar issues and interests for the purposes of electing a representative on the local district council, which has generally worked very well. Since 2011 we have been included with the town of Bakewell, which has about twenty times the population of our community, for the purpose of electoral wards, so unsurprisingly our interests have been subservient to those of the town. This has been particularly apparent in recent years over the issue of the closure of public toilets where the district council has sought to close most of these facilities in villages whilst maintaining a handful, located in the main urban centres of the district, including Bakewell. Over Haddon Parish Council decided to pay for the maintenance of the public toilets in the village, located in the public car park, both of which facilities were built to coincide with the designation of the adjoining Lathkill Dale National Nature Reserve and are much in demand by tourists. Other neighbouring villages have experienced similar issues. I strongly believe that electoral wards for the return of representatives to local councils should reflect as much commonality of interests as possible in order to maintain a thriving local democracy.
55439			We strongly oppose separating Middleton by Youlgreave from its "mother" village of Youlgreave. We are after all linked by name. Middleton residents support church, shops, pubs and the village school and it will not be a comfortable liaison to link us to Bonsall and Wirksworth. . We urge you to reconsider this fundamental change of our boundary. We are well able to maintain our links with Youlgreave as it is walking distance and we are also served by an adequate bus service. Many families have relations in Youlgreave and have integrated into many of the Youlgrave activities which Middleton would not be able to support on its own.
55440			I am totally against the new boundary changes. We are bound to Youlgreave in all cases.
55442			I have lived in the village of Middleton for forty odd years. I strongly wish that the parish can be kept as it is. It has worked well in the past and should not be changed now

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55444			I object to the draft proposal to disband the Lathkill ward in Derbyshire Dales. Youlgrave is an important and thriving village within the district and together with neighboring hamlets has always had a distinct and independent voice on the district council. As a village with shops, pubs, cafe/bakery, post office, Doctor's surgery, garage, primary school and 3 churches/chapels, our concerns, economy and social structures are very different from that of the market town of Bakewell into which it is proposed we are subsumed. Issues of maintaining our important infrastructure, and of tourism, parking, farming, and rural transport are very different from those of a town. Furthermore, Bakewell (with its limited choice in supermarkets, banks, etc) holds a less central role in the life of Youlgrave residents than may have been the case a generation ago. Many villagers choose other local towns for their weekly shop, banking, vets, opticians, dentists etc, as well as for their access via rail further afield. I believe this proposal goes contrary to guidance about maintaining the unique character of rural communities and that the representations from Youlgrave Parish council on this matter should be more carefully considered. There are many better and fairer ways to redraw the boundaries of existing wards to achieve the aim of slightly reducing the number of councillors whilst still adhering to the principles of effective representation of the different communities within Derbyshire Dales.
55446			I am totally against the proposal to abolish Youlgrave's District Council Ward and amalgamate with Bakewell. I fully support Youlgrave's Parish Councils alternative suggestion to meagre all the parishes of the Lathkill and Bradford valleys.
55448			I object to the draft proposal to abolish Lathkill and Bradford Ward and incorporate Youlgrave and Alport into Bakewell Ward and putting Middleton and Smerrill into Bonsall and Winster Ward. Youlgrave has very different interests and concerns to Bakewell being a rural village with close associations with it's outlying hamlets (Middleton, Smerrill, Harthill and Alport) I fear this abolition will mean our community will loose effective and appropriate representation. This draft proposal goes against the guidance that states clearly that boundaries should "reflect the interests and identities of local communities, as well as promoting effective local government". There are better ways of redrawing the boundaries and these should be considered.
55459			The draft proposals for Bonsall I feel are quite unsuitable. The main problem stems from the fact that a very small section of the village is within the Peak National Park, approximately thirty properties. Looking at the Peak National Park boundary, I feel that this could be readily adjusted to exclude all the Bonsall properties, thus leaving Bonsall in Masson ward. Bonsall and Cromford were closely linked long before the construction of the Via Gellia - with lead mining, quarries, small mills etc. This link continues with the various businesses, post office, newsagent, butchers etc. Plus a bus service into Cromford and Matlock - no bus to Winster from Bonsall! To reduce Derbyshire Dales District councillors from 39 to 34 is a big move, which I don't think will work. This plan needs serious re-thinking.
55542			Middleton is almost attached to Youlgrave it makes no sense to add us elsewhere that have no knowledge of our local concerns. It is a ludicrous suggestion.

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55543			<p>We are writing to strongly oppose the Boundary Commissions draft recommendation to abolish Youlgrave's District Council Ward and to amalgamate Youlgrave with Bakewell. We believe that this draft proposal would not be of benefit to Youlgrave and that the recommendations will not deliver the required statutory criteria of Equality of representation; Reflecting community interests and identities; and Providing for effective and convenient local government. It seems that the present recommendation is based primarily on increasing numbers of residents in order to allow Bakewell to keep three Councillors. Whilst including Youlgrave might provide some equality of ratios across Derbyshire Dales, abolishing the Youlgrave District Ward will, in our opinion, decrease equality of representation for local people in terms of identifying and meeting local needs and priorities. The proposals for Youlgrave also appear to undermine several of the key strategies and principles of the Derbyshire Dales Local Plan which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protecting the character and local distinctiveness of villages; • Maintaining and strengthening the vitality and viability of villages (as well as towns) and to sustain the quality of life for local residents; • Increasing emphasis on the promotion of sustainable communities in rural villages; and • Promoting and maintaining the distinct identity of rural parishes. <p>Our overriding concern is that the needs and issues facing residents of Youlgrave are going to be overwhelmed by those of Bakewell. Also the close historic, community and cultural connections with other local villages and hamlets will be damaged. We have lived in Derbyshire Dales for over 30 years and believe that the present arrangements for Youlgrave is the best way to maintain genuine equality of representation and sustain local community links. We therefore oppose the Boundary Commission proposals and wish for Youlgrave District Council Ward to continue to develop and support local community interests, to continue to sustain local identity and to continue to actively contribute to effective and convenient local government. Cheryl Coyne & Pat Roach New Road, Youlgrave</p>
55545			<p>Middleton by Youlgrave has always been linked with Youlgrave, hence the name. We share facilities and socialise between the two neighbouring villages with many Middleton residents having extended family and connection within Youlgrave. The main bus route in and out of Middleton being via Youlgrave. We have and have never had any connections with the various villages mentioned in the boundary changes and as a long standing family in Middleton have no wish to see the changes take place. Claire Sutton Home Farm Middleton by Youlgrave</p>
55549			<p>we appreciate that it would be electorally advantageous to move the boundary, there is compelling evidence to suggest that Middleton and Smerrill, together with neighbouring village communities, should continue to form a Ward of its own and not become parts of other Wards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Middleton by Youlgrave is a locally distinct village that shares little in common with Bonsall and Winster and from its name has a major established link to its nearest neighbour, 'Youlgrave'. The Parish name Middleton and Smerrill distinguishes it from other Middleton named parishes locally, using the historic archaeology of the medieval village of Smerrill, of which only a hamlet remains. 2. Middleton by Youlgrave and Smerrill, together with Youlgrave and Alport and the rural hamlet of Harthill, are closely connected village communities in the Bradford Valley that share the same everyday services, the same monthly community magazine, the same vicar, the same bus service, are connected by one single road and valley bottom path, and so on. 3. The children of Middleton and Smerrill attend at Youlgrave School/Nursery/Girl guiding unit; all of the community are: patients at Youlgrave Surgery, Youlgrave Church is the mother church to Middleton by Youlgrave Church (Peak Deanery) – other worshippers attend Youlgrave's chapels, socially are part of the same WI, customers at Youlgrave's pubs, shops and garage – two businesses in Youlgrave are owned by Middleton and Smerrill residents, 90% of car journeys go through Youlgrave, they have no connection with Bonsall and Winster for any reason. Upper school children in Middleton and Smerrill feed into Lady Manners School in Bakewell: Winster school feeds into Highfields School in Matlock and Bonsall children to Anthony Gell School in Wirksworth. 4. Historically and politically Middleton and Smerrill has been separate from Bonsall, Winster and even Bakewell. Indeed, our residents have helped return an independent village-based District Councillor for over 30 continuous years - unique within the Derbyshire Dales. <p>This is a clear statement of local identity and a desire for specific representation. The Bonsall and Winster proposals would have little commonality as Winster was last seen in Cromwellian times – being part of our Royalist leanings and surveyed by the victors</p>
55551			<p>I FULLY SUPPORT the Response from Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council. I do not need to add anything further as it is all contained in that document.</p>

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56107			I do not agree to the proposal to incorporate Youlgrave into the Bakewell Ward and would like to object. Derbyshire villages such as Youlgrave, Middleton and Alport - along with others such as Winster and Over Haddon - have different issues and needs. I do not believe that there will be adequate representation on issues such as education, development, transport, and other rural issues if we are swallowed up by a large entity such as Bakewell. This is hardly a move towards meaningful democracy at a local level. It would make better sense to create a ward from these villages who are much more likely to share a common agenda and so be better represented.
56113			We live in the village of Over Haddon and are aware of the current proposal to include Over Haddon with Bakewell, as it has been since 2011 and to abolish the Lathkill and Bradford ward, which Over Haddon was included in before that date. We know this is contrary to the recommendation that Over Haddon Parish Council made, that we should revert to inclusion within the Lathkill and Bradford ward, with whom we feel we have a greater affinity of interests as a group of rural villages, rather than being subsumed within the Bakewell town ward where our views would have little sway.
56115			I wish to comment and raise questions on the draft proposals submitted by Derbyshire Dales DC and how they affect Bonsall Village. The principle of being able to carry out its roles and responsibilities with a reduced number of councillors, 34 from 39 is understood. However if I have understood the proposals correctly, it appears to me that the legal requirements and guiding principle in respect of the Peak District National Park have not been satisfied. My feeling is that the draft lines being drawn are the result of a mathematical exercise rather than considering the communities requirements, concerns and history. Bonsall village is closely aligned to Cromford in so many ways, facilities, employment, common issues with quarrying and the Via Gellia valley. We use Cromford for local shopping, post office, take aways, restaurants, pubs and butchers. We live at the top of Bonsall village and overlook three Cromford quarries. The main vehicular access to the village is via Cromford and heavily trafficked A5012 Via Gellia road. Access to Winster is by a poor quality moorland road the majority of which is single track. Very little of Bonsall lies within the National Park. The proposal appears to place the majority of Bonsall in a mixed bag of communities of which we have nothing in common. For your information I was brought up in Tansley village for 23 years and have lived in Bonsall for 39 years. I would ask that this draft is dismissed and that Derbyshire Dales are instructed to have a re – think and put the communities first rather than the maths and listen to our Parish Council
56126			I wish to register my objection to the proposed boundary changes and draft recommendations, particularly in relation to the proposed future of Middleton-by-Youlgrave. I fully support and agree with the points as outlined below in the village Parish Council statement.
56132			I personally see no reason to change things. As far as I can see, its change for zero purpose, and costing money when the United Kingdom as a whole has greater issues to deal with
56135			I live at Lomberdale Hall, Middleton by Youlgrave. We are right on the boundary of the two parishes and our fields straddle both parishes. Youlgrave, and Middleton by Youlgrave are closely associated communities. The river Bradford flows through the two villages and these communities are united by the limestone valley. The proposal is to split Middleton from Youlgrave. I am strongly against this. This is a rural community with its own identity - The village of Youlgrave does not fall comfortably into Bakewell, and the village of Middleton is entirely different to Bonsall. Middleton and Youlgrave belong to each other, with a shared history and culture. This is a union which should be respected, and which should survive.

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56137			<p>District Council, which make the Bakewell ward very large in comparison to the current situation. As a result of this, Lathkill and Bradford ward is totally lost, as is the voice of a significant proportion of the rural population into an urban population. Bakewell already has its own ward to make representation on behalf of the urban community. And it already has 2 councillors. I understood that the whole point of District Councils is to represent the needs and local issues affecting each individual ward's communities. How can this work if Lathkill and Bradford ward disappears into an urban area? The needs of the Bakewell community, being a market town with a huge tourism lean, will be significantly different to the rural community. I do not understand how this can possibly be justified. By removing Lathkill and Bradford ward, our community loses its voice completely. We have had an independent councillor for at least 30 years to represent our views and needs, and we should continue to have this opportunity to move our community into the future. Why does Bakewell need 3 councillors, when it is the only town in such a rural area? Surely the rural aspect is more representative of the area as a whole. Why can we not keep our independent (ie no party political involvement) councillor who will truly represent our local needs with the impartiality we all deserve? Local Government should always be based on local need, and be completely impartial of party politics. Youlgrave itself is one of, if not the largest village in the Peak District. It has very strong links with Middleton by Youlgrave and Smerrill, by virtue of the bus routes, parishes, education as well as historical and family ties. The proposal completely severs these links, leaving our communities even less input into future management of our ward. If this decision is based on distribution of population and to satisfy party political objectives, then to remove an independent locally elected councillor is against the ethos of the District Council and its function as a whole. The community speaks by electing an independent councillor - as we have done for at least 30 years. This is Local Government at its best, what the community has voted for, and how it should remain. I sincerely hope that objections to the proposals will be looked at seriously, and acted</p>
56139			<p>I am in opposition to these proposed changes for the reasons below. As a resident of Middleton by Youlgrave I am not happy about the proposed boundary changes for Derbyshire Dales. We are currently in a area with Youlgrave, a village which contains our nearest shops and other amenities and my childrens school, also our recreation facilities such as cricket and football clubs. I feel that as a small village we are part of the community of Youlgrave so it makes sense that we are grouped with Youlgrave in the boundaries. We have been placed in the proposals with Winster and Bonsall. We have no connection with these villages. There is not a bus that connects us, we are not geographically near to these villages and our children will not even be attending the same secondary school as the children in these villages. I actually feel that whoever has proposed these boundaries has done it arbitrarily, purely based on 'evening up numbers' rather than taking into account local links between villages and the way rural networks are formed. We are linked to Youlgrave and Bakewell, this is where our local services, schools and facilities are. I would also like to add that have appreciated having an independent representative on the council. Someone who lives locally and represents our local area fully and who is not just going to go with what their party has decided they want for our area. It will be a real shame to lose this.</p>

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56141			intention to separate the more 'urban' Matlock from the rural surroundings, the grouping of Tansley with Cromford and Matlock Bath does not reflect local communities. Cromford and Matlock Bath are closely linked by the A6 and the current ward name Masson is recognisable for local residents, with Masson Mill an instantly recognisable community landmark. Both Cromford and Matlock Bath have similar issues with traffic and tourism along the A6, centred around Matlock Bath, Masson Mill, and Cromford Canal, and residents frequently use the facilities located in each town. There is also a well-used bus service, the 6.1, that connected the two towns. In addition, including Matlock Bath in a rural ward would not accurately reflect a rural facing ward, as Matlock Bath is a busy town with high footfall, numerous tourist attractions and packed shops. Therefore, I agree that Cromford and Matlock Bath should be in the same ward, but I disagree that that ward should also include Tansley and the areas of Upper Lumsdale. Tansley is the anomaly in this grouping. While Tansley is a self-contained community, if it were to be grouped with another area it would make the most sense for it to be Matlock. The 150 bus service connects Tansley to Matlock, whereas there is no public transport between Tansley and Cromford or Matlock Bath that would not first have to go through Matlock. Residents in Tansley use the facilities in Matlock and go here for shopping, doctors, dentists, and to use the local train or bus station. I would also like to draw attention to the boundary between Matlock All Saints, Matlock St Giles and Cromford & Matlock Rural in the area around Highfields School. The houses along the A632 past Highfields School, such as Cardinshaw Road, are part of 'urban' Matlock and should therefore be placed in either Matlock St Giles or Matlock All Saints. This area of Matlock looks firmly down the hill to central Matlock and Matlock Green and have little connection to Matlock Bath or Cromford, which are quite far away. It is in Matlock where these residents will use the local facilities and attend schools. If a boundary were to run through Matlock, the current and proposed boundary of Chesterfield Road is a good choice. It is a large road and recognisable all the way to the edge of the council
56144			The general recommendations for DDDC are understandable and supported. However the proposed knock-on effects on Ashbourne Town Council are not supported by any numbers in the document or by any understanding of the geography and population centres within the Town. Creation of one extra Ward (Compton) with one Councillor seems meaningless when there's a natural geographical association with Parkside where the recommendation is to increase by one anyway. As the electors are moving from St Oswalds it seems natural that any reduction in Ward representation should come from there. What is not justified is the reduction in Hilltop from 4 to 2. Hilltop is not affected by the boundary proposals in any way and, unlike any of the other Wards, is one of the few Ward areas subject to increasing housing development. In the past month or so, for instance, plans have been passed for a further 50 dwellings. In summary there is no justification to reduce Hilltop Ward Councillors and no clear reason why a small number of electors (Compton) should be a single member Ward when they can be combined into Parkside.
56146			We do not agree with the proposed boundary changes affecting Tansley. Our village has very close ties with the town of Matlock. As we have no shops, doctors, dentist, secondary school, library and other facilities in the village, we travel to Matlock for these services - not to Matlock Bath or Cromford - and feel that the future planning for these services for Tansley would be best served by remaining within a Matlock ward. This would ensure that councillors responsible for scrutinising changes made in Matlock would take into account the impact the changes would make on Tansley. The key elements of our infrastructure - roads, facilities, footpaths - link to Matlock, rather than to other communities. When considering a community wider than the village, we would regard ourselves as part of the Matlock community. There are no obvious links to Matlock Bath, Cromford or other parts of the proposed ward, other than any links those other communities would also have to Matlock. The residents of Tansley probably feel more closely connected to Ash over or Wessington- both outside DDDC of course - than Matlock Bath. The only parish in Derbyshire Dales which Tansley borders is Matlock Town.
56382			I strongly object to the inclusion of the Village in the Parish of Over Haddon within any Bakewell Town Ward.

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Appendix B: Derbyshire Dales District Council Submissions log

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Political Groups			
55362	Derbyshire Dales Constituency Labour Party		Please see attached the submission to the draft recommendations that has been put together by the Derbyshire Dales Labour, Liberal Democrat, Green and Independent District Councillors. This submission has the full support of the Derbyshire Dales Constituency Labour Party (DDCLP) and I am submitting this on behalf of the DDCLP as Vice Chair
54564	Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats		Communication of findings. We would have found it helpful if a list of the proposed parishes in each ward had been provided as a summary. Instead, it has to be deduced from the text. It would also have helped if a detailed map showing these parishes for each ward had been given – or at least the option of zooming in on a larger map to study them in detail. The maps provided that showed the revised wards in three towns were helpful in this respect although were not easy to find. They are also significantly out of date (2016) with the one for Ashbourne failing to show at least four major areas of house building. Variance. This is just one of the three considerations made by LGBC in their review but we feel that the draft scheme does have some large variances. In particular we take issue with variances in the 8-10% range where these occur in exactly the way that is least desirable due to potential future growth. Overall the draft LGBC has a % variance of -53.2% & +50.6% compared to our original 'joint' scheme of -33.5% & +43.6%. Community cohesion. Arguably this is at least as important as excessive variance. We believe it is important to recognise the distinction between rural and urban communities and try to avoid where possible urban areas having very extensive rural hinterlands. This may however be difficult where parishes are sparsely populated. We suggest that some of the new Ward proposals have resulted in both large variances and a lack of community cohesion; Bakewell is an example of this. Impact of planned large developments not completed by 2026. In the Local Plan there is a target to restrict housing development to certain areas in the Derbyshire Dales, specifically most development to be in the towns in Tier 1 of the development hierarchy. Hence we feel that a large positive variance should be flagged when it is for a Tier 1 ward since any large positive variance in 2026 is likely to be even larger in future years. Similarly a large negative variance seems to be less than ideal for an area that will see very little development in the future due to its position in the development hierarchy. Peak District National Park. The objective of not combining 'Peak Park' parishes with others obviously has merit and for much of the Dales is straightforward to achieve. However in some parts of the Dales the Parish boundaries are less oblique and this constraint can
Councillors			
56111	Martin Burfoot	Derbyshire Dales District Council	My comments are mainly concerned with the recommendations around Matlock, Tansley, Cromford, Matlock Bath, Darley Dale and Oker / Snitterton.
55275	Graham Elliott	Derbyshire Dales District Council	I am the Independent Derbyshire Dales District Councillor for the Lathkill & Bradford Ward. A ward that has returned a local Independent Councillor continually for more than 3 decades. I am also chair of Youlgrave Parish Council who have already submitted strong opposition to this proposal. I strongly disagree with the proposal to abolish this ward and instead move the villages of Youlgrave, Alport and Monyash into the political ward of Bakewell and Middleton & Smerrill into the Bonsall and Winster ward. This would be damaging to the communities involved and run contrary to the three statutory criteria underlying any boundary review. It is not my intention to repeat comments and recommendations that has been submitted by ward residents and parish councils from within my ward and beyond. I urge you to consider submissions carefully and with thought to the communities involved However I feel I must point out that Bakewell should be allocated two councillors, in line with its profile as a separate market town. Lathkill & Bradford ward should remain as is but include Over Haddon, which was removed from my ward on the last reshuffle. This is also the wish of the electorate in Over Haddon In conclusion I see no benefit in the break up of our like minded rural communities. The addition of other bordering communities would satisfy the numbers, however I consider community values of much greater importance than head counts.

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55400	Steve Flitter	Derbyshire Dales District Council	<p>I write to support the submissions on the draft proposals by Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats (in collaboration with other Parties) and Derbyshire Dales CLP. I particularly support the revised proposals for the Hathersage and Eyam, Bakewell and "Youlgreave" Wards. These proposals reflect the social and economic characteristics of the respective local areas, which I suggest outweigh the issues of electoral variance; I am sure that if you were able to visit the communities in question, you would completely understand. I also support the submissions made by Abney Parish and Hathersage Parish Council regarding Abney. It is quite clear that this small community looks towards Hathersage in respect of all its key services, and it would be totally illogical to, transfer it to the Bradwell Ward. I say this notwithstanding the fact that it would quite probably be very much to my Party's benefit if such a transfer took place.</p>
56114	Clare Gamble	Derbyshire Dales District Council	<p>My comments are on the make-up of the wards within, or largely within, the Peak District. I wish to support the response to ward boundaries submitted by Peter Dobbs, as the multiparty submission. Most wards are as the previous multi-party submission, and I am pleased they were accepted. However, there are a couple of anomalies;</p> <p>Bakewell The multi-party submission kept parishes that were previously in the Bakewell ward together and reduced it to a two member ward from a three member ward. The three member proposal makes no sense. Youlgreave has no real connection to Bakewell, and the parish council have submitted a response which stated that they should be kept within a single ward identity. They have presented a well-argued case, that I believe should be actioned. Even with the inclusion of extra populations, a three member ward remains close to the maximum variance of -10%. Bakewell will have little housing development; indeed, it could lose housing to holiday lets. To instigate a review on the basis that wards have gone beyond the 10% variance, then create a ward like Bakewell close to that variance seems at odds with the purpose of the review. It creates a large, I believe unmanageable, ward that even three councillors would struggle to keep on top of, to a degree that would detract from local democracy. I believe Bakewell should become a two member ward and another ward centred on Youlgreave and Monyash should be created.</p> <p>Youlgreave Should be kept as a single member entity. It has a more rural identity, that does not fit with Bakewell for reasons well explained by submissions from that area.</p> <p>Hathersage Abney should remain with Hathersage and Eyam</p>
56148	Peter O'Brien	Derbyshire Dales District Council	<p>I write to support the submissions on the draft proposals by Derbyshire Dales Liberal Democrats (in collaboration with other Parties) and Derbyshire Dales CLP. I particularly support the revised proposals for the Hathersage and Eyam, Bakewell and "Youlgreave" Wards. These proposals reflect the social and economic characteristics of the respective local areas, which I suggest outweigh the issues of electoral variance; I am sure that if you were able to visit the communities in question, you would completely understand. I also support the submissions made by Abney Parish and Hathersage Parish Council regarding Abney. It is quite clear that this small community looks towards Hathersage in respect of all its key services, and it would be totally illogical to, transfer it to the Bradwell Ward. I say this notwithstanding the fact that it would quite probably be very much to my Party's benefit if such a transfer took place.</p>
54605	Kathleen Potter	Rowlsey Parish Council	<p>I think it unacceptable that the villages surrounding Rowsley ie Stanton, Darley Dale, Beeley, Chatsworth all are detailed on this map but Rowsley appears not to exist. This can't be right. Chair Rowsley Parish Council</p>
53938	Garry Purdy	Derbyshire Dales District Council	<p>I strongly object to the proposal to miss Bonsall from out of Masson Ward, but to develop the Boundary to Tansley Parish. Bonsall is an integral part of a natural interlink between Cromford and Matlock Bath, being only 1.9 and 2,6 miles respectively It is 4.6 miles from Cromford to Tansley! The road connections between Cromford, Bonsall and Matlock Bath stretch back as far as Roman times when the area was mined for lead Quarrying still takes place in the area of Masson Ward The road from Cromford to Tansley has no natural or historic links to Masson. People in Bonsall drift towards Cromford for the village shops. Tansley has a direct link to Matlock being along the A615. The proposal to include Tansley as part of Masson Ward makes no political, geographic or local network network links sense at all. As the Ward representative for Masson, I am able to inform you that the people of Bonsall and including the Parish Council object strongly to the proposals to disconnect Bonsall I do hope that you will take notice of the strong call to leave Masson Ward as is.</p>

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55395	Peter Slack	Derbysyshire Dales District Council	I do agree with many of your draft proposals, but there areas where I find alterations and adjustments are need to be made There are three main areas that need to adjustments to be made.
54580	Alasdair Sutton	Derbysyshire Dales District Council	I think that Youlgrave should remain in its current Lathkil and Bradford ward and be joined by Over Haddon . I understand Youlgrave residents are totally against joining Bakewell and that Over Haddon residents are keen to rejoin their previous ward . My other recommendation would be that Great Longstone , Little Longstone , Rowland and Hassop move to the Bakewell Ward . I believe geographically this would work perfectly bringing together Ashford in the Water, Monsal Head and Sheldon .
51915	RH Webster	Beeley Parish Council	If it is working well do not fix it There is to much red tape already Be more efficient with what exists already!
54577	Steve Wain	Derbysyshire Dales District Council	I am fully supportive of the comments in the attached group document regarding the ongoing boundary commission consultation for the Derbyshire Dales. As a former Police Sergeant previously working in the Dales I have a very good knowledge of this area and its rural and urban communities. In 2000, I set up the Derbyshire Dales Rural Crime Team and had consulted with many Parish and Town Councils. The attached submission is more relevant and provides more community cohesion than the one initially proposed. Furthermore, I hope that further consideration will be given regarding the lack of information supplied by the District Council, about future development around Ashbourne and Matlock. I sincerely hope that you can adopt some or all of these recommendations and look forward to seeing the full final report.
Parish and Town Councils			
56105	Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow & Offerton Parish Meeting		Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the new ward boundary proposal We are a tiny Parish Meeting consisting of the hamlets of Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton We are long established as one Parish meeting and as such meet on a regular basis (COVID permitting) and communicate at least weekly on local matters I emailed all our residents with your proposal and sent them the link to your web page and have since spoken with our Chair, Andrew Chadwick. The consensus is we would much prefer to stay with the Hathersage Ward, all those who responded favoured this option with none favouring the move We are a small but close community and over the years have raised funds on a regular basis to initially build and subsequently maintain our village hall, which is in Abney and a focal point for all residents of the Parish. The whole community also meets socially on a regular basis (except of course currently with the pandemic) and we have close links with friends and businesses in Hathersage. One particular concern is that as our Parish meeting includes Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton, the proposal would mean that one half would remain with Hathersage and one half move to Bradwell which seems illogical especially as the issues we have (such as the road closure which is being repaired at present) affect all of us. The proposal would mean that one half of the community served by the Parish meeting would have different elected representatives to the other half. We are all currently supported by Councillor Peter O'Brien and although we understand he will in time move on, he has been a great support to all of us over the last few years, particularly supporting us over the problems encountered with the major road collapse of our only road, which is now being rebuilt. it would not be practical to have 2different Councillors representing such a small Parish. As far as we can ascertain the move would be to 'even out' numbers and to force such a detrimental change on to our community for such a reason would be a blow to us all. Kind regards Jan Everard [Clerk, on behalf of Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton Parish Meeting]

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54572	Ashborne Town Council		<p>Members of Ashborne Town Council have considered the Local Government Boundary Commission for England proposals for the new electoral arrangements for Derbyshire Dales District Council. The Members would like to seek clarification on the rationale for the changes within the five parish wards of Ashborne, in particular in the Hilltop Ward (BAH) as the changes proposed in the Boundary Review will result in a reduction of 50%, which equates to two Town Councillor representatives. The Hilltop Ward is the most populated ward in the Town Council boundary and has undergone a massive amount of housing development over the last ten years together with ongoing development projects still in their infancy. The Members cannot understand why there is a proposed reduction when the electorate is growing at a fast pace within the Hilltop Ward.</p> <p>I have just received correspondence from James McLaughlin at Derbyshire Dales District Council informing me that the development sites used to calculate the increase in households and the electorate for the current Ashborne South Ward have been allocated to the wrong polling district. So in column A everything allocated to BAH is actually in BAS. The increase in 506 voters attributed to BAS should be allocated to BAH and the 171 increase applied to BAS. This would mean that the projected electorate in 2026 for BAS should be 1,727 and for BAH 3,143. The projections for the current Ashborne South Ward are correct, but the issue is with how this has been allocated across polling districts and proposed parish warding arrangements. I understand that Derbyshire Dales District Council have made contact regarding this and that you will be reviewing the situation and I would appreciate it if you could keep me informed of any progress.</p>
53151	Ballidon & Bradbourne Parish Council		<p>The Parish Council consider that 'White Peak' is not a suitable name for the proposed new ward for the following reasons: <input type="checkbox"/>The term White Peak is already used in the Peak District National Park to cover a much wider area than the proposed ward, including Buxton, Bakewell, Matlock & Dovedale; this area is described in the Peak District biodiversity plan here; also there is an OS map for White Peak which shows the extent of the area: https://shop.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/map-of-the-peak-district-white-peak-area/<input type="checkbox"/>Much of the area in the ward is not in the Peak District so the name would be confusing and not in line with the objective to unite parishes in Peak District. We have no objection to the proposed name of 'Dovedale Parwich & Brassington' .</p>
52257	Bonsall Parish Council		<p>Bonsall Parish Council considered the proposal for the new Bonsall and Winsters ward at their meeting on 16th February 2021. It was agreed to object to the proposal on the basis that the interests of the village were more closely linked to those of Cromford; in particular in terms of shared issues such as quarrying and the use of the Via Gellia.</p>
56112	Eldaston & Wyaston Parish Council		<p>Eldaston & Wyaston Parish Cllrs object to the proposed change to the ward boundaries which would place Eldaston & Wyaston Parish in the Ashborne South ward, along with Clifton & Compton and Osmaston and Yeldersley parishes. Cllrs consider that there is a division between urban and rural parish/ward constituencies that would be better served by one District Cllr for rural parishes, one District Cllr for Hilltop and one District Cllr for St Oswald's as this would provide better representation.</p>
53147	Fenny Bentley Parish Council		<p>We understand that under the new proposals extra parishes will be added to the Dovedale and Parwich Ward, we also believe that the proposal is to call the ward 'White Peak' this is totally inappropriate as some of the new villages are not in the Peak Park and could not be considered to be in a 'white peak' area as they are all hedgerows with no stone walls. We strongly disagree with naming the ward white peak and suggest that the new ward is called Dovedale, Parwich & Brassington which is a much more appropriate name and describes the area accurately.</p>
56109	Grindleford Parish Council		<p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I am writing on behalf of Grindleford Parish Council following discussion of this consultation at their meeting on 11 March. Cllrs were unanimously in favour of the proposal for Stoney Middleton to become part of Hathersage Ward, but oppose the split of Abney and Abney Grange to Bradwell. Abney and Abney Grange are very much part of the Hathersage and Grindleford communities. The comments submitted by Jan Everard, Clerk, on behalf of Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton Parish Meetings, summarise Grindleford's own view of the impact such a split would have on what is essentially one community. Sarah Battarbee, Clerk to Grindleford Parish Council.</p>

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55513	Harthill Parish Meeting		<p>parishes, Youlgrave, Middleton and Harthill. The closeness of that connection is demonstrated by the fact that the village of Alport is split between Youlgrave and Harthill parishes, and that has been the case for generations.</p> <p>2. Harthill is to be put into a constituency with relatively remote villages with their own problems and priorities, and severed from Youlgrave, the village of which it is in essence a part.</p> <p>3. The only rationale for moving Youlgrave into Bakewell seems to be to increase the electorate of an extended Bakewell constituency so that it will elect 3 District Councillors rather than 2. Given the size of the Bakewell electorate, it seems unlikely that any of the three District Councillors they elect would have rural communities as a priority. Harthill does not wish to be swallowed up in this as well. Our concern is that moving Youlgrave into Bakewell, Harthill is to be paired with other villages with which it has little connection. To be subsumed into Bakewell would be even worse.</p> <p>4. Harthill is very small – 46 electors - but not overwhelmed at present because of its affinity to Youlgrave. Harthill's residents worship, shop, and enjoy sporting and other leisure activities in Youlgrave. The three villages, Middleton, Alport and Youlgrave, are one community spread along the length of the river Bradford. They have a distinct collective identity, similar needs and problems, and share one excellent local newspaper.</p> <p>5. By comparison with its links to Youlgrave, Harthill has very few social links and no community connections with either Winster or Bonsall. Their children attend different schools, not just at preschool and primary level, different secondary schools too - ours feed into Lady Manners to the north, theirs to Highfields in Matlock and Anthony Gell in</p>
56103	Hathersage Parish Council		<p>Hathersage Parish Council (HPC) has considered the proposal to move Abney and Abney Grange Parish Councils out of the Hathersage ward. Noting the proximity and ties with Abney and Abney Grange Parish Councils, HPC liaised with them. We are aware a survey was undertaken and the consensus among the Abney and Abney Grange residents who responded was a preference to remain in the Hathersage ward, citing close links with friends and businesses in Hathersage. HPC also notes concern that the proposed change would impact upon established links between the very small neighbouring Abney, Abney Grange, Highlow and Offerton Parish Councils, with two parish councils remaining in the Hathersage ward and two moving to the Bradwell ward. HPC notes the concerns that this will make it difficult to reach consensus and coordinate action on common issues/problems. Hathersage Parish Council objects to the changes and supports the wishes of residents in Abney and Abney Grange Parish Councils to remain in the Hathersage ward.</p>
55396	Matlock Town Council		<p>Please find attached Matlock Town Council's feedback on the Draft Recommendations Report for the Derbyshire Dales. [from multi-party scheme].</p>
54647	Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council		<p>Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council OBJECTS to the proposed abolition of Lathkill & Bradford Ward and the proposal to instead amalgamate Middleton and Smerrill into Bonsall and Winster Ward. Our response is guided by the three key criteria underlying the review: (i) equality of representation; (ii) reflecting community interests and identities; and (iii) providing for effective and convenient local government. We believe there is compelling evidence to suggest that Middleton and Smerrill, together with neighbouring village communities, should continue to form a Ward of its own and not become parts of other Wards</p>
54672	Middleton Parish Council		<p>I have been instructed to write to you on behalf of Middleton Parish Council. The proposals for the Wirksworth and Carsington Water Ward of Derbyshire Dales were discussed at a meeting held on Monday 22nd March 2021 and it was resolved to respond per the attached document "2021-03-22LGBC Response Wirksworth and Carsington Water proposal".</p>
55512	Northwood & Tinkersley Parish Council		<p>I emailed in to the consultation process in September 2020 asking to remain with Rowsley and Stanton in the Peak. The Parish Council has now been informed that these Parishes may be changing wards. The Parish Council would like to remain within a rural ward and not be included in a ward with Darley Dale and Matlock. Ideally we would like to remain with Stanton in the Peak and if that is not possible then Rowsley. The Parish is geographically closer to Rowsley and Stanton in the Peak than Darley Dale and have a closer affinity with them. The issues faced by Northwood and Tinkersley are of a more rural nature and therefore the Parish Council is concerned that the issues faced here would be lost in an urban focussed ward.</p>
55547	Osmaston and Yeldersley Parish		<p>Osmaston and Yeldersley Parish Cllrs object to the proposed change to the ward</p>

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54644	Over Haddon Parish Council		Over Haddon Parish Council OBJECTS to the retention of this parish in a Town Ward as made clear in our first submission. It strongly objects to the proposed abolition of Lathkill & Bradford Ward as this supports rural village communities and wishes to return to this Ward from which it was torn in the 2011 changes. Our response is guided by the three keycriteria underlying the review: (i) equality of representation; (ii) reflecting community interests and identities; and (iii) providing for effective and convenient local government. We believe there is compelling evidence to suggest that Over Haddon should return and Monyash and Youlgrave, together with neighbouring village communities, should continue to form a Ward of their own and not become part of Bakewell.
54309	Rowsley Parish Council		I think it unacceptable that the villages surrounding Rowsley ie Stanton, Darley Dale, Beeley,Chatsworth all are detailed on this map but Rowsley appears not to exist. This can't be right. ChairRowsley Parish Council
52263	South Darley Parish Council		It is appreciated that there are close links between Winster and Elton as well as between Winster and South Darley. We would therefore wish to see the three parishes remain in the same ward. We understand that it would be necessary to include another parish within the ward in order to obtain the requisite electorate: the parish of Gratton would seem to be a suitable candidate. Since we do not have access to detailed population figures and projections, we are unable to propose a definite alternative grouping of parishes to form wards in this part of Derbyshire Dales to meet the commission's requirements for population, etc. However, we urgently request that a revision be made to ensure South Darley stays grouped with Winster and Elton.
56129	Stoney Middleton Parish Council		Stoney Middleton Parish Council is opposed to the district boundary change proposals which movethe parish of Stoney Middleton from the Calver Ward into the Hathersage Ward. Whilst residents have close links with Eyam, the topography of Stoney Middleton and the nature of the builtenvironment along the A623 naturally align the village with Calver. Stoney Middleton and Calverparishes also have shared issues, for instance, the volume, speed and size of vehicles using theA623. The benefit of remaining in the same ward is that when the two parish councils collaborateon such shared issues, it is advantageous to communicate with one representative covering bothcommunities. Similarly, the proposed ward boundary follows Coombs Dale. On the face of it, aneasily identifiable divide. However, place matters. Coombs Dale is inexplicably linked to StoneyMiddleton and is a significant part of village life and yet it will be in a different ward. Councillorsare concerned that the increasing number of holiday homes in the Derbyshire Dales area may bereducing the number of permanent residents and forcing this review.
54674	Tansley Parish Council		Tansley Parish Council have examined your recent proposals to include Tansley in a new ward Matlock Rural and Cromford, we object strongly to this ill thought out proposal: A proposal that fails to even indicate the existence of our village of in excess of 1000 inhabitants on your proposals map!
56564	Thorpe Parish Council		Dear Local Government Boundary Commission We note that you wish to rename our Ward "The White Peak". This is to vague and wide an area, and the Ward includes land both inside and outside the Peak National Park. As Thorpe Parish Council, we wish to maintain the identity of the area and therefore suggest that the Ward is renamed Dovedale Parwich & Brassington to reflect the larger area. Andrew Bock Chair Thorpe Parish Council
52523	Tissington & Lea Hall Parish Council		The 3 suggested new parishes, Bradbourne, Brassington and Kniveton are not in the Peak District National Park and Kniveton is not even in a white wall area. As the proposals cover villages in and out of the Peak Park all planning rules and the planning departments would be completely different. Some of the villages would not be eligible for various grants and schemes that Peak District National Park residents have access to. It would make much more sense for the whole ward to be in or out of the Peak District National Park. The words 'White Peak' are associated with and mentioned in many contexts with the Peak District National Park. The 'White Peak' is a very large area of the Peak District National Park and includes a large swathe of Staffordshire. It would be totally misleading to the residents of this ward, neighbouring wards and visitors to call this ward 'White Peak' when 3 of its villages are not even within the boundaries of the Peak District National Park. If the ward has to have a name change we would prefer it to be Tissington, Parwich & Brassington.

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54639	Youlgrave Parish Council		Youlgrave Parish Council OBJECTS to the proposed abolition of Lathkill & Bradford Ward and the proposal to instead amalgamate Youlgrave into Bakewell Ward. Our response is guided by the three key criteria underlying the review: (i) equality of representation; (ii) reflecting community interests and identities; and (iii) providing for effective and convenient local government. We believe there is compelling evidence to suggest that Youlgrave, together with neighbouring village communities, should continue to form a Ward of its own and not become part of Bakewell
Local organisations			
54067	Matlock Civic Association		1. In our earlier representations we emphasised the importance of the distribution of Council seats to reflect the likely future population figures (in say 2025). With much current development underway in Matlock we would expect the proportion of the DDC population in Matlock to increase. We cannot see what the population figures will be for the different proposed Wards so we cannot check if this point is reflected in the proposals. 2. The Matlock Rural and Cromford Ward has little logic to it with not much community coherence in the proposed area - a rather sprawling and disconnected ward.
Local residents			
51460			The proposed boundaries in DDC look to be a more practical way of working. Good idea.
51462			As long term residents of Farley, both my wife and I support the proposal to move the boundaries as shown on the map. We have always identified with Matlock and feel ignored by Darley Dale.
51909			Currently in Derbyshire Dales on Old Hackney Lane and very much in favour of a move into Matlock -it is the natural place for us. We tend to be forgotten by DD TC; we have tried to remedy this as a community, eg by asking for noticeboards, but this was not successful.
51911			the proposal looks good to me
51913			It's seems odd that the Parish of Middleton and Smerrill is in a different ward to Youlgrave which is the closest village. Surely having a Youlgrave / Middleton plus another village would create a far more even electorate within a ward
51917			My feedback is for the Wardlow area. It would make sense for Wardlow to be in the ward of Calver and Longstone (or even Tideswell) but NOT Bradwell. It is not a natural link to tag us onto Bradwell. Children from Wardlow tend to go to Longstone Primary school and onto Lady Manners, so very different from Bradwell and Hope Valley. Please can you re-think this section.
51919			Agree
51921			I agree with the proposed reduction in councillors but believe that the boundaries should be adjusted so that Brailsford includes the villages of Shirley, Rodsley and Yeaveley which have a historical connection as part of the United Benefice of Brailsford.
51923			Having looked at your proposals I am in full agreement.
51925			The obvious - why make the changes? What are they? What are the reasons & benefits of the proposed changes?
51927			What's this map showing me? The before status? What's the proposed 'after' status for Darley Dale? Bewildered.
51929			All of Alport including Harthill should be part of the same ward. These are currently a part of Youlgrave and have shared interests. They have no direct interests with Winster & Bonsall. It would be far better for the current Lathkill and Bradford to be represented by 1 councillor who is concerned and knows this area. The proposed Bakewell ward should be divided, so that there is a ward representing the rural area outside of the town of Bakewell. For Matlock an attempt has been made to create a rural ward separate from the town wards.
51931			Re Ashbourne South. It would seem sensible to include the rest of the airfield land and Bradley wood in the Ashbourne south area. It makes very little difference as these areas have very few residents (if any). My understanding is that Bradley Wood was given to the people of Ashbourne and is looked after by the Ashbourne parish. I'm uncertain of the exact scope of the current residential estate being built on the old airfield plot but it would be reasonable to assume that the whole of this brown field site will one day be developed and will become part of the Ashbourne south community. I provide a screenshot of the area with a very rough purple line representing a suggested redrawing of the boundary.
51934			On the basis that that I rarely get a reply from councillors when I contact them the fewer the better as it will hopefully save money

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51936			I once met a salesman, whose US bosses had decided that they could create a nice neat territory by pairing the Isle of Wight with the Isle of Man. Your proposal to lump Winster with Bonsall has the same feel about it: remote people making inappropriate couplings. Winster may not be that far from Bonsall as the crow flies, but in fact the two villages have very little in common. Winster people rarely drive through Bonsall (if heading south, there is a much faster road, the A5012 "Via Gellia" down the valley). And Bonsall people would have no cause to drive through anything but the fringes of Winster. Our children go to different secondary schools, and different scout and guide groups, so we don't get to know people in the other village through those channels. By contrast, Winster people have a lot in common with Wensley - they drive through Wensley every time they go to a supermarket or to the nearest Railway Station in Matlock. Winster children are joined on the same school bus by Wensley children and probably go to the same scout and guide groups in Darley Dale. So Winster does not pair well with Bonsall. Wensley is good. Youlgrave would be second-best. Bonsall is a very poor third.
51938			Agree wholeheartedly: provides a better representation of Wirksworth and its surroundings.
51940			Hello I can't understand why northwood lane and the area that side of the A6 is in the new Stanton boundary? unless this decision is being made on political grounds - geographically and service wise it seems more appropriate for the area to be part of darley dale
51942			Hello I live in Tansley- if you didn't know there was a pandemic last year ; I didn't get any literature about this ! Taking away a local voice, it's a worry ! Not transparent local government What about people not online it's seems quite unfair
51944			Agree to cutting number of councillors. I'd cut it further to be honest as really don't see why we need 34 to cover such a small council. The name Cromford and Matlock rural is a bit daft. Who on earth calls anywhere that?
51946			I am concerned that this boundary change is going to take seats off elected MPs from other parties. This seems unfair
51948			No. Just no. We are already a small voice in Chelmorton with little thought or account given to these disparate rural communities. Diluting us even further will give us less voice. This shift towards centralpower is a further step in showing of how little importance we are. Rural communities are important and will need a voice in this time of uncertainty Think again
51950			The draft proposals do not take proper account of the adopted DDDC Local Plan 2013-2033, in respect of Appendix 3: Housing Trajectory and Policy HC2: Housing Land Allocations. Specifically, the Local Plan Housing Land Allocations identifies the majority of new housing provision outside the Peak National Park and much of this housing has not been built (for example, work has not yet started on 690 new households within my proposed new ward boundary.) Notably, these Local Government Boundary Commission draft proposals use Electorate Forecasts to 2026 based on the current electorate distribution and the current population the new Wirksworth & Carsington Water ward and predict a+8% variance. However if the local plan is used to add context to the proposed new ward boundary then 19% of the new housing projected in the Local Plan for 2010 - 2033 is yet to be built in the area covered by the new Wirksworth & Carsington Water ward, it follows that electoral equality is clearly going to be compromised.
51952			Our parish Council is amazing. Really really good. Rooted in the community, decent, and effective. Don't mess with it. There is absolutely no need.
51954			Our property will move from Darley Dale Parish/Ward to within the Matlock All Saints boundary, which is in line with how we have always, since the housing was first built 12 years ago, viewed ourselves and helps to further boost our affinity to Matlock.
51956			Having taken some time to look at the draft proposals for Derbyshire Dales I believe they make absolute sense. No further comment to make.
51959			Looks fine to me
51963			Leave it at 3 councillors. It's a busy area for them and fewer would not do as good a job.

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51965			In regard to the All Saints Ward, Matlock, area 15 on your map. Wouldn't it even up the Resident /Councillor ratio if the area including the Morledge and along the A6 to Old Hackney Lane, remains within Darley Dale? It is locally acknowledged that Darley Dale starts at the Premier Inn, which is clearly demonstrated by the adjacent Darley Dale Town sign. Furthermore, Whitworth Hospital is in Darley Dale and that's how it should remain. The remainder of the additional area where you advocate change, namely on the north of Old Hackney Lane, Hackney Road and Farley, could be adopted within the All Saints Ward. This area has more of an affinity with Matlock and is locally acknowledged to be apart of The Town. I believe that Darley Dale Councillors are projected to have 1788 residents per Councillor compared to All Saints at 1959. If this suggestion was approved how would it impact upon the ratio? I believe it would also provide greater resilience for the proposed increase in new homes in the All Saints Ward.
51967			Is this the best way of spending my council tax keep it the same
51969			It is a source of continuing frustration on all sorts of issues that the half-dozen Hope Valley villages, which in so many ways are one community, are bisected by a district boundary (with High Peak Borough) within the Valley. Most of us don't greatly mind whether we are all in Derbyshire Dales or all in High Peak, but not to use this review to achieve one of those 2 outcomes is an opportunity wasted.
51971			I oppose the proposal to change the boundary for St Giles Ward Matlock. Tansley is a small village of in excess of 1000 inhabitants with local plan allocations for a further 100 homes, so possibly in excess of another 200 residents or more. Because of its location working with Matlock is an obvious link as it is a short car ride we are able to access all daily needs to include GP services. children go to the local secondary school and transport links are adequate - Tansley has nothing in common with Cromford or Matlock Bath, we have no direct transport links and are geographically too far apart to work together. However the Matlock Ward of St Giles is directly adjacent to Tansley. One does question the logic behind this suggestion to be linked to Cromford. Cromford has more in common with Wirksworth. I object strongly to losing our identity, our village has a name- it should be celebrated not become Matlock Rural - if you have to rename the ward then Tansley and St Giles would be acceptable. Looking at the proposals it does appear that you are trying (by manipulating the boundaries) to increase the Conservative vote, which is unacceptable, Local Government needs diversity to get the best for all its community. May I suggest you have a serious re think , because your proposals are neither fair or equitable. Neither do they fulfill your criteria, one questions if this is a truly independent review, as it does not appear to be.
51973			I think this is a ridiculous idea you have come up with hooleys estate has been part of the darley Dale town council we will vote against this you need to go back to the drawing board on this
52229			Wardlow Parish complete should go to Tideswell as we are connected today to this village for example the post, shops ,Doctor .School We are also in the same landscape (not in the valley) We have no connection with Bradwell and it is an outrage to even suggest this proposal
52231			Surely it makes more sense to link Wardlow with Tideswell.
52233			as wardlow residents surely it makes more sense for wardlow to be in tideswell ward as this is nearest to us for shops and more importantly the doctors
52235			As a resident of Wardlow where the ward boundary is proposed to change, I do not support the move to Bradwell. I feel that our community is more closely linked to Tideswell where our shops, doctors and post office are.
52237			I prefer Tideswell
52239			Wardlow should be within the Longstone Ward
52241			Please consider placing Wardlow into Tideswell ward boundary and use the A623 as the hard boundary. Our local shops, doctors are also located in Tideswell.
52243			Prefer to put Wardlow with tideswell or failing that, great longstone NOT BRADWELL many thanks
52245			Prefer move to Tideswell.
52247			Prefer Tideswell
52249			As a resident of Wardlow, I would prefer to be placed in either Longstone or Tideswell Ward as there is more of a local connection (Church/local shops in Longstone, Litton and Tideswell as well as recreational facilities) with either of these areas as opposed to Bradwell.
52251			I would prefer to join the Tideswell area, we are much more closely connected to Tideswell and not at all with Bradwell.

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52253			I have no affiliations with Bradwell, and therefore do not feel any move to their ward would be advantageous or beneficial. As a village we are part of the benefice of Great Longstone and Calver in terms of Church affairs, and an existing relationship exists there. I would prefer that we were in that ward, but if that is not possible then as a second choice I would ask to go with Tideswell.
52255			Wardlow should be added to the Longstone ward boundary and not to Bradwell
52259			It is ridiculous that a village like Youlgrave (one of the largest villages in the District) will not have separate representation. Reduce Bakewell to two councillors and redistribute the third to the Lathkill ward
52261			The main change for us is on page 16 of the document and puts us(Alsop, Fenny Bentley, Parwich Thorpe & Tissington) with Brassington Bradbourne & Kniveton, taking out Mappleton and Heathcote/Biggin from our present amalgamation . I am not happy with this...but I fear that it is already a 'done deal' as we need to equalise the ward numbers as far as is possible. However the real problem is the new name.... White Peak. I feel we must change that name for the following reasons. I am VERY concerned about the name. White Peak.. Where is the 'White Peak'?? We have lost that iconic name that is Dovedale, the most cherished walkway in our area.... it is crazy to lose it from a tourism point of view!! If we are to have this ward then it must be called something else So perhaps Dovedale &.....(something) The Options: Dovedale & Parwich as it is at present or Dovedale & Brassington or perhaps Dovedale, Parwich & Brassington... I accept a bit long but it is what it says on the tin our potential ward is not the 'White Peak' !! In the pre-amble on page 16 it says that 'Our proposals were informed first by the principal of uniting Peak District National Park areas and avoiding grouping these with non-National Park areas'. Well , the Commission have forgotten that and united both Peak Park and non Peak Wards..... The inference of the proposed name of White Peak is that all the ward is in the National Park...when , as proposed, it is half and half and there will be utter confusion!! I feel that Brassington , Bradbourne & Kniveton do not want to be associated with the National Park if the ward is to be called 'White Peak'. I would respectfully submit that this new ward should be entitled 'Dovedale Parwich & Brassington'.
53149			I am not able to comment on the totality of the proposals but with regard to Bonsall I am clear that you have not had regard to the remit you set yourself of : Ensuring that the recommendations reflect community identity. • Providing arrangements that support effective and convenient local government. Bonsall has no community identity with Winster and the parishes north and west. 1.They are all in the PPPB area, whereas Bonsall has only a small part of its population within the PPPB. 2.There is one minor road between Bonsall and these parishes 3.Bonsall has no public transport links to these parishes. 4.The school in Bonsall has no pupils from these parishes, nor do any children from Bonsall attend any school in these parishes. 5.Historically these other parishes were in Bakewell RDC and looked to Bakewell for their services including the catchment for secondary education. Bonsall was part of Matlock UD. 6.The medical facilities for Bonsall are provided in Matlock/ Wirksworth whereas those for the parishes are Darley Dale, Hartington, Bakewell. 7.The church and chapels in Bonsall are part of team ministries facing away from the parishes which in turn face away from Bonsall. If one accepts the necessity, on a number of electors basis, for Bonsall to be merged with another parish(es) the logical connections are in the opposite direction primarily Cromford but also Matlock Bath and Middleton by Wirksworth provide options. Bonsall's principal route is to the A5012 and to Cromford used by the public transport that serves Bonsall. This physical link is reinforced by the joint interest in quarrying which results in the joint quarry liaison consultation body. No joint bodies exist with Bonsall's other neighbours. There are children at the school from Cromford and the secondary provision is in Wirksworth. (as is Cromfords). It is 15 years since the parish had a councillor resident in the Parish and the proposed arrangement will further discourage local involvement. This has resulted in the Parish Council taking an increasingly proactive role and self-sufficiency. This will not help the community to identify with Derbyshire Dales.
53153			I attach a detailed commentary on this ward. I also comment on the proposed Cromford and Rural Matlock ward because the considerations are very closely related.
53156			I would strongly contend that Lathkill and Bradford Ward should be retained. If necessary for electoral equality it should be enlarged by the addition of one or more nearby villages. Monyash and Over Haddon are both nearby and belong together. Over Haddon was lost to the ward at the last revision and should be restored to it. If another village needs to be added to make up numbers, Sheldon should be considered.

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54011			Reference changing Stoney Middleton from Calver to Hathersage. Sorry to say for you I fail to see any advantage in this proposal as SM has far more in common with Calver being adjacent to Calver and Curbar, including from a religious perspective. Hathersage is considered a HV place and we do not consider that ,more a bakewell place. I do not see anywhere in your documents why these proposals are necessary, are they a from a political perspective as we have always considered local Govt. to be independent of party politics Do we know if there are any cost implications involved, one would hope not in the current climate. Are there any benefits at all ! If not why change, we have far mor affinity with Calver than an outlying suburb of Sheffield
54013			Separating Stoney Middleton from Calver is a 'brave' suggestion - the sort of suggestion that some might think warrants referral to a psychiatric clinic. Our local shop is in Calver; our village hall is in Calver; our garden centre is in Calver; our main bus routes pass through Calver; our main telephone and broadband exchange box is in Calver. The A623 which links our villages causes similar problems in both: air pollution, noise, vehicles breaking the speed limits. Flooding and drainage issues along theA623 affect both villages. Having these two villages in separate wards may seem a great wheeze on paper, but in practice it is likely to result in bureaucratic wrangling, petty arguments, and administrative stalemates and delays. I suggest you think again.
54015			I do not agree with the proposal to move Bonsall from being in the same zone as Cromford to its being in with Winster. Most people in Bonsall rarely go through Winster or Elton, whereas to get to almost anywhere, we have to go through Cromford. We shop there, or go to Wirksworth or Matlock via Cromford. We have much in common - quarrying noise, traffic etc. which would be much better dealt with by councillors who represent both villages.
54017			I am not happy to see Stoney Middleton to be moved into the Hathersage ward. We have closer links with Calver. We share many of the same concerns such as the traffic along the A623. The boundary change also removes the responsibilities for Coombesdale from Stoney Middleton parish council, however the flooding and water from Coombesdale will be left with Stoney Middleton. Calver have absolutely no interest in the dale, so why give them responsibility? Stoney and Calver are two living villages with common interests and close links. The fact that too many homes in the park have been given over to holiday homes should not be used as an excuse to break the bonds that the two villages have. I am a parish councillor and this is a personal position.
54019			I am totally against Youlgrave being merged with Bakewell, we have been represented for years by an independent District Councillor and I can see no good reason to change this now.
54021			As a resident of Middleton by Youlgrave, I believe the villages along the Bradford valley should be kept and represented together at District Level.
54023			I do not agree with the proposal to combine Bonsall with Winster, Youlgreave etc. Bonsall is much more closely linked and associated with Cromford both geographically and socially. We share common access roads, local employers, pubs, shops, pathways and so on and their associated issues and benefits. Existing local councillors understand this and can therefore represent our needs and views much better than for instance someone living in Youlgreave, Winster or similar.
54025			Having looked at the suggested regrouping in terms of Bonsall it does seem illogical not to haveBonsall in with Cromford/Matlock. Cromford and Bonsall are much closer neighbours in terms of shared interests/interests and the fact that we use the facilities in Cromford....station, post office, newsagent and shopsmeans that we are more familiar with the locals there than in Winster etc. Local councillors should have an awareness of their local area and people and I think we would be best served by ones representing Cromford WITH Bonsall!
54027			We find it baffling to link Stoney Middleton with Hathersage Ward. Stoney Middleton has strong links to Calver Ward through schools, church and Parish Council. We have no historical links to Hathersage (except during the 16th century church link and the De Bernakes of Stoney Middleton and the Eyres of Hathersage). Coombesdale, the proposed border, links both with Calver and Great Longstone .If the proposed change is merely political then it ignores cultural, historical and educational links.

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54029			Changes to Masson Ward. The proposals seem ridiculous to me: Bonsall is much more closely linked to Cromford than any of the towns and villages in the proposed Bonsall and Winstre Ward. We passthrough Cromford to go almost anywhere, we share the same issues (e.g. quarrying, services, traffic)and we use the shops and pubs there. In short, our councillor(s) know what concerns us and what needs to be done for this area. I cannot see how an elected councillor from say Youlgreave, Elton or Winstre could possibly do that.
54031			I'm not happy with the proposed changes, I feel we have more in common with Comford, we share the same issues quarrying, traffic, services, we also use the local facilities shops and pubs in Cromford. The councillors know what our concerns are.
54033			The inclusion of Youlgreave with Bakewell sits very oddly - as a village we have very different needs and aspirations to a market town. As the smaller entity, our voice is less likely to be heard if subsumed into the town. If the Lathkill and Bradford ward is too small to be retained, it would make far more sense to add in some of the surrounding villages, allowing the village viewpoint a stronger representation within the District Council. The added benefit is that Bakewell could then go back to 2 councillors, which feels more balanced. To be incorporated into the Bakewell feels like a reduction in representation.
54035			Bonsall is much more closely linked to Cromford than any of the towns and villages north of us. We pass through it to go almost anywhere, we share the same issues (e.g. quarrying, services, traffic) and we use the shops and pubs there. In short, our councillor(s) know what concerns us and what needs to be done for this area. I cannot see how an elected councillor from say Youlgreave, Elton or Winstre could possibly do that.
54037			Bonsall is much more closely linked to Cromford than any of the towns and villages north of us. We pass through it to go almost anywhere, we share the same issues (e.g. quarrying, services, traffic) and we use the shops and pubs there. In short, our councillor(s) know what concerns us and what needs to be done for this area. I cannot see how an elected councillor from say Youlgreave, Elton or Winstre could possibly do that.
54039			As I resident of Bonsall, all the journeys I do, all the buses I use, all the services we have, and all my family and friends are all linked to this village through Cromford. We share communications, concerns about traffic, transport, quarries, our post office, our local shops all have links with Cromford. I shop in Wirksworth and Matlock I do not travel through Winstre. I have no connections what so ever with Winstre. We need to share our local representertives with Cromford and Wirksworth because we share issues and concerns. I walk on Masson hill everyday and appreciate this association topographically, policically and culturally. Please do not change the ward.
54041			I object to Youlgreave becoming part of Bakewell ward. It is completely different in every way toBakewekk and is very rural. It should be retained with Alport, Harthill, and Middleton with the addition of Over Haddon or Stanton and Birchover. All these villages have a similar rural identity and are geographically close and would better reflect a shared identity rather than the market town of Bakewell. The needs of a rural community such as Youlgreave are not the same as atown
54043			As a resident of Bonsall, I strongly disagree with this ward change proposal. Firstly, Bonsall residents mostly get papers and post office services from Cromford, and come and go up and down Clatterway through Cromford. We are affected by same issues as Cromford, via Gellia traffic, quarry noise and traffic and not in any sense affiliated with the remoter areas of the new proposed Bonsall and Winstre ward. Secondly, geographically, we are only partly in the Peak Park, and whilst some of the tourist issues do affect us, we are much closer both in distance and socially to Cromford and Matlock Bath -even with Wirksworth rather than a remote rural village in the Peak Park. In particular there are many small businesses operating from the village, of which we used to be one, who have very different needs to a predominately tourist and farming community. It feels very much as if an arbitrary line has been drawn on the map, without real consideration of what this move may mean for Bonsall villagers, having only one local councillor who may come from Youlgreave, Elton, or Winstre, with no real knowledge of this areas particular concerns. For example, we have had some issues over the last two to three years with noise from the re-extended Slinter quarry, within earshot of the lower half of Bonsall, coming from the quarry across the via Gellia in between Cromford and Wirksworth. We have had good input and action from councillors over this. It seems crazy to alter something apparently so arbitrarily - please don't change this boundary.

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54045			<p>thought-out one and would be deeply resented by the residents of the above communities . These are distinct village communities whose wants, needs, interests and outlook are significantly different to the clearly urban area of Bakewell. The Bradford valley communities have little in common with Bakewell and are at very real risk of being swallowed up by Bakewell, losing all effective representation and their own independent identities. Shops and shopping in Bakewell is on a hugely larger incomparable scale to Youlgrave's 3 shops, the same applies to the businesses in Bakewell and in the villages. Schools, churches, every sort of public facility are on a different scale and village life in the proposed Bakewell ward would become the forgotten poor relation of the market town. What would be the future of the thriving village groups if the proposed move went ahead? It is all too likely that they would become irrelevant. The truly famous Youlgrave pantomime was already, in pre-pandemic times, threatened by the newly resurrected Bakewell pantomime. No need to look behind you to see which production would triumph under the new proposals. If a village pantomime seems trivial, then perhaps more importantly the involvement of political parties is unfortunate and looks very like none-too-subtle manoeuvring pre-local and general elections. The Conservative Party should be less hungry-eyed when suggesting that the Bradford valley communities would make suitable additions to the Bakewell ward thus keeping its 3 council members ... and adds further weight to the argument that these village communities would lose their identities in the power-grab. As Bakewell Town Council will be of a similar political complexion to the Conservative Party, the same comments apply. This comes perilously close to election rigging while giving every semblance of fairness and democratic process - the serene swan floating effortlessly down the Wye, while under water its webbed feet are paddling furiously. PLEASE NOTE: These remarks would be the same had it been a local Labour, Lin Dem or Green Party in question. The blatant entry of party politics into this deliberation is unhelpful in the extreme and opens the door to suspicions of bias, chumocracy and</p>
54047			<p>I have reviewed your proposal for a new Bonsall and Winster ward. In your draft recommendations report you say: 46 The Labour and multi-party schemes grouped the parishes of Birchover, Bonsall, Elton, Gratton, and Winster in a one-councillor Bonsall ward with an electoral variance of -3%. This has formed the basis of our proposal for a Bonsall & Winster ward. With the inclusion of Birchover in our proposed Stanton ward, we have added the parishes of Harthill, Ible, Ivonbrook Grange, and Middleton & Smerrill. The inclusion of Ible and Ivonbrook Grange was also influenced by a number of submissions, including that from Middleton & Smerrill Parish Council, which requested that parishes within the Peak District National Park not be included with those without, due to the differing characters of the settlements and a separate planning process.' Bonsall is not within the Peak District national park for the main part and all its transport and delivery links go via the Via Gellia with the exception of some agricultural traffic (HGVs are not permitted through the village). Therefore linking it with Cromford and Matlock makes a lot more sense. I do not have an opinion on the numbers of population but believe you have already received and objection from existing councillors. in respect of disenfranchisement of Bonsall residents.</p>
54049			<p>I feel that the draft proposals for the linking of Youlgrave a small rural village with a market town like Bakewell would be a mistake. The needs and day to day issues of the two places are very different. It is more than likely that Youlgrave's needs would be buried by the needs of the larger area. It is important that rural communities have local representation. Linking Youlgrave and Alport to Over Haddon, Middleton and Smerrill and possibly Birchover and Stanton could be a better fit.</p>
54066			<p>We dont want to be in the Hathersage ward .. Stoney Middleton and Calver are linked by the A623 and share the same problem of speeding along the same road. We are also hydrologically linked with respect to flooding .. Stoney , Combs Dale where they want the boundary and Calver .. all part of the same catchment . You cant even get a bus to Hathersage from Stoney .. we have no links with it</p>
54070			<p>As a resident of Stoney Middleton I object to the proposed boundary change for the following reasons: A) The topography of Stoney Middleton and the nature of the built environment along the A623 naturally align the village with Calver. B) Stoney Middleton and Calver parishes have shared issues, for instance, the volume and speed of traffic using the A623. The benefit of remaining in the same ward is that when the two parish councils collaborate on such shared issues, it is advantageous to communicate with one representative covering both communities. C) The proposed boundary between Calver Ward and Hathersage Ward would follow Coombs Dale. Coombs Dale is historically and physically linked to Stoney Middleton and is a significant part of village life and yet it would be in a different ward.</p>

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54072			<p>I have lived in Wardlow for 40 years and was Chairman of the Parish Meeting for 25 years and Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee for 20 years. I consider that the proposal in your review of Derbyshire Dales District Wards to allocate Wardlow Parish into the Bradwell Ward is utterly ridiculous. Whilst trying to 'bump' up the number of residents in the Bradwell Ward by adding Wardlow Village, no consideration has been made as regards the various current community links Wardlow has with the adjacent Wards of Longstone and Tideswell. Local residents go to Tideswell for shopping, doctors, schools etc. and many residents have relatives in Tideswell. Wardlow news is included in the Village Voice Parish magazine which every household in Tideswell and Wardlow receives. Likewise Wardlow news and events are published in the Longstone Parish magazine 'Under the Edge' and every resident receives a copy. Wardlow is included in the Longstone Ecclesiastical area with the Church in Wardlow under their management. There are also links with Longstone with schools and local pubs and restaurants. Wardlow does NOT have any links to Bradwell. Indeed, I discussed this issue with a friend and I suggested that there were possibly residents in Wardlow that do not know where Bradwell is ! My friend responded by stating that there were probably more residents in Bradwell that do not know or CARE where Wardlow is ! And here we have the nub of the problem. Why would a local community such as Bradwell be interested in issues that only affect Wardlow, a village with no cultural and no community links to Bradwell ? Likewise, any District Councillor for the Bradwell Ward will concentrate their efforts, such as Planning Applications, on the wellbeing of Bradwell residents which may well be to the detriment of Wardlow residents. To sum up, it looks as though the review is sacrificing Local Community belonging and involvement just to keep the numbers up in a distant Ward. The number crunchers in the office has had their say, let the Local Residents affected have theirs. And listen to them !</p>
54589			<p>I would like to give my personal endorsement to the 'Joint Response' attached. (I was the person who collated the responses in order to produce this commentary & revised proposals). I would also like to add some additional comments that are specific to Ashbourne and these I have also attached.</p>
54606			<p>Duplicate submission</p>
54609			<p>I do not agree with the proposal to extend the Bakewell boundary to include outlying villages, including Youlgrave and Monyash. My village, Over Haddon, is currently included in the Bakewell boundary and has not been well served. It's specific concerns and interests have been drowned out by those of Bakewell. I would like to see the Lathkill and Bradford ward retained and the boundary extended to include Over Haddon and possibly other villages. I understand your objectives of electoral equality; community identity; and effective and convenient local government, but in my view, this proposal is prioritising the simple equalising of electorate to the detriment of the other two. The community identity of villages like Over Haddon, Youlgrave and Monyash is very different from Bakewell. Their concerns around transport, housing, access to services like healthcare, employment, poverty, and exclusion have very little resonance with Bakewell - astonishingly so, since they are relatively close in terms of distance. This is clearly demonstrated by the councillors chosen by the electorate - 3 Conservative Councillors in Bakewell and an Independent in Lathkill and Bradford. In fact, that ward has a tradition of electing independents to reflect the specific interests of the people. Community identity is not served by lumping these remote working villages together with the wealthier and better served town of Bakewell. Neither is the aim of effective and convenient local government. These would be far better served by grouping the villages together.</p>
54611			<p>I am writing to express my concern about the proposal to remove Bonsall from the Masson ward and place it in a new ward called Bonsall and Winster. In my opinion Bonsall is much more naturally linked both socially and economically to the Cromford and Matlock Bath communities. Our most local shops including the post office and newsagents are based in Cromford. We share issues of living and working alongside the quarrying industry with Cromford. Our journey out of Bonsall almost always takes us through Cromford. I ask you to reconsider this proposal and leave Bonsall in the Masson ward Thank you for your attention.</p>

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54613			I disagree with the proposals to increase the Bakewell Ward and to abolish the Lathkill and Bradford Ward for Derbyshire Dales DC. My village, Over Haddon, should be included in an expanded Lathkill and Bradford Ward. On key policy issues, such as planning, transport and local economic development, the villages of Over Haddon, Youlgrave and Monyash have lots in common with each other and little in common with the town of Bakewell. Over Haddon is already a minor issue for the existing 3 Councillors who are more concerned with Bakewell town issues. A new larger ward will dilute and make more difficult our chances to be heard and to influence policy. In party political terms, your proposal will ensure the ruling political party retains 3 Conservative Councillors for the expanded Bakewell Ward. Although Youlgrave is not my village, you will extinguish Youlgrave's very welcome independent political representation. It is already difficult enough for independents to succeed in our 'winner-takes-all' political system. For our local area, your proposal makes that even more difficult.
54615			I very much DISAGREE with the proposal to include Youlgrave into the Bakewell Ward for the following reasons: 1. The communities of Youlgrave and the Bradford river valley have a very separate rural identity that should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from that of Youlgrave and the Bradford valley. 2. My understanding for the proposal is that in line with the Boundary commission's aims, the inclusion of the Youlgrave ward into Bakewell would ensure the retention of Bakewell's current 3 district councillors. I do not see this as a valid reason when dealing with the voice of our local community; perhaps the reduction to 2 Bakewell district councillors would be a more satisfactory conclusion. 3. In line with the Boundary commission's aims, an alternative to the proposal would be to include the current Stanton ward into that of Lathkill and Bradford ensuring the rural community voice is recognised, heard and maintained
54617			I very much disagree with the proposal to include Youlgrave into the Bakewell Ward for the following reasons: 1. The communities of Youlgrave and the Bradford river valley have a very separate rural identity that should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from that of Youlgrave and the Bradford valley, as such there is no rational logic to this proposal. 2. My understanding for the proposal is that in line with the Boundary commission's aims, the inclusion of the Youlgrave ward into Bakewell would ensure the retention of Bakewell's current 3 district councillors. I do not see this as a valid reason when dealing with the voice of our local community; perhaps the reduction to 2 Bakewell district councillors would be a more satisfactory conclusion. 3. In line with the Boundary commission's aims, an alternative to the proposal would be to include the current Stanton ward into that of Lathkill and Bradford ensuring the rural community voice is recognised, heard and maintained
54619			The proposed boundary for Tansley does not benefit the village in any way. The new area links the village with areas that are totally unrelated and do not share the same issues. Tansley is much closer to Matlock and should form part of this area. It's interests would be far better represented by being part of the Matlock boundary. The area currently proposed is geographically too vast and diverse and would be underrepresented by the two councillors proposed. It would be far better to link Tansley with Matlock, a town close to the village and with whom Tansley already shares similar interests and business links. Consideration should be given to such matters to ensure that the new boundaries reflect areas that have meaningful links, issues and concerns.
54621			I do not believe removing Tansley from Matlock St Giles makes any sense at all. As a governor at Highfields School, it is clear that our teenagers typically attend school in Matlock - an area most Tansley residents naturally use for shopping, GP surgeries and other facilities. I don't believe Tansley has anything in common with the tourist destination of Matlock Bath.
54623			It is hard to imagine a more unnatural coupling than the attempt to link Tansley with Cromford and Matlock Bath. Tansley's natural links are with our nearest community which is Matlock St. Giles. There isn't even a road which links Tansley to Cromford and Matlock Bath without going through another ward! Our concerns as a village are clearly linked to Matlock in terms of transport, work, amenities and social life. I suggest a rethink!

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54625			Tansley has a long-established association with Matlock for shopping, business, health facilities etc. Furthermore, our children attend secondary school at Starkholmes and Matlock. There is a natural synergy between these adjacent communities. The Parish Council believes that politically we are more likely to be heard if we are aligned with Matlock. The Parish Council does not think we have anything in common with the tourist destination of Matlock Bath and we feel that Cromford has more in common with Wirksworth and the outlying areas. The Parish Council questions the recommendation to make Tansley part of a ward which appears to lack any geographical coherence, and which is so geographically far reaching. The Parish Council also objects strongly to the loss of identity for Tansley, a village of over 1,000 residents, if it merges settlements with which it has little in common.
54627			I can see no reason why Tansley should be linked with Cromford and Matlock Rural as we have no common links to areas to the villages to the west and south of us, The majority of Tansley residents have far more in common including with the areas included in the current Matlock St Giles ward
54629			Derbyshire Dales District Council. They propose to reduce the number of councillors from 39 to 34 & to even up the representation of electors. The argument for levelling out representation is fair but the impact on the representation of Youlgrave is not, as it is proposed to incorporate Youlgrave into Bakewell, which will be represented by 3 councillors. Youlgrave and other rural villages have different interests from those of Bakewell. The Bakewell representation should be reduced to 2 and the other councillor should represent Youlgrave and an appropriate number of other rural parishes. Middleton & Smerrill together with Harthill have been put into Bonsall & Winster Ward although they are closely linked with Youlgrave. A prime objection to the change is taking away our traditionally independent council representation and bringing most of the Lathkill and Bradford Ward into the Bakewell Ward that is a political party ward. This change was proposed by the local Conservative Party. In the report, the submissions by local Parish Councils including Youlgrave, Over Haddon & Stanton in the Peak, stating that Rural wards should not be a part of towns have not been referred to and ignored. I have used the criteria set out by the Boundary Commission, the reasons for changing the proposal are set out in an attachment. Proposition 1. Youlgrave should be in a rural ward (separate from the town of Bakewell). 2. Middleton & Smerrill and Harthill are a part of the same community, so should remain in the same ward as Youlgrave. 3. Monyash and Over Haddon are geographically in the same area as Youlgrave, so should be together and not part of Bakewell. 4. If the number of voters needs to be increased the parishes of Sheldon and Ashford in the Water are currently within Bakewell. They are rural areas that could fit with the Lathkill and Bradford Parishes. Other adjacent rural parishes could also be logically included if it made more sense. Reasons – using the 8 criteria set out by the Boundary Commission. 1. Reflect Community Interests and identities and includes evidence of community links a. The village of Youlgrave is close to Middleton by Youlgrave, Alport & Harthill and constitutes a community sharing the village shops, pubs and clubs. b. Youlgrave, Alport, Middleton by Youlgrave & Harthill
54630			I feel that to extend the Wirksworth boundaries is to distort the unity of the town. Outlying areas such as Carsington Water and Idrigehay do not feel they are part of Wirksworth and vice versa.
54633			I think the proposal to link Bonsall with Winter and other communities is flawed. Bonsall is linked to Cromford in terms of transport, traffic, shops and public services etc. There is no strong connection with Winster, Elton, Middleton by Youlgrave etc.
54635			No comments to make. Seems like a sensible realignment given the electorate numbers across Derbyshire Dales. The amalgamation of Snelston into Norbury is also appropriate given the close links between the Norbury and the other villages and hamlets included.
54638			We wish to object to the proposed boundary changes affecting Youlgrave Parish. 1. The interests of Youlgrave residents are very different from those of people living in a town such as Bakewell. 2. We understand the need to reduce the number of councillors but if Bakewell was represented by two councillors then a number of local villages could form a rural ward better representing the interests of the villages.
54648			I live in Bonsall, Matlock, Derbyshire and have read through the proposals for the new boundaries within Derbyshire Dales. I have also liaised with my close neighbour Peter McNally and rather than reiterating all his comments I would simply say that I totally agree with his submission and recommend Bonsall remain tied to Cromford, our close and immediate parish rather than be artificially connected to a different group of villages with which we have no links in terms of interests, public transport and commerce.

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54651			<p>Youlgrave is one of the largest villages in the PDNP. For decades the ward has been represented by an Independent councillor. The issues that face our village are similar to many other villages in this area. We are the custodians of the Lathkill, Bradford and Middleton Dales. The farming, walkers and cyclists, holiday cottage industry and the stonebreakers, shape this landscape; we work and live within it and are concerned for its future. Market towns are different and attract a different kind of tourist and they will have two representatives. The environment within the dales needs our voice. We need to be represented by an Independent councillor who is part of our lifestyle and is truly aware of action that is required to repair and upgrade the landscape and maintain our community of which Middleton by Youlgrave is a significant part.</p>
54653			<p>I am in total agreement with Youlgrave Parish Council, in that I believe that the communities of the Bradford valley - Alport, Harthill, Middleton and Youlgrave - have a separate rural identity that should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. I am also in agreement that Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from Youlgrave's, and the fear is that by being swallowed up in Bakewell ward our community will lose effective representation.</p>
54654			<p>I object to the Boundary commission proposals which will split up the Lathkill & Bradford ward, with much of it to be included in Bakewell ward. In particular Youlgrave, one of the largest and most distinctive villages in the Peak District, would be in the same ward as Bakewell, despite both having very significantly different issues and local identity. I would urge the Boundary Commission to retain the existing Lathkill & Bradford ward which unites villages with a clear and historic group identity, and facing similar issues such as overweight traffic, visitor management, environmental protection, affordable housing etc which differ from the issues requiring proper focus in Bakewell. In this sense, the proposed changes definitely would not reflect the interests and identities of these local communities, and would not promote effective local government. Therefore I would urge the Commission to retain Lathkill & Bradford ward and (if more electors are required) add Over Haddon (historically in this ward) or even Stanton-in-Peak and Birchover - which would allow much more logical and efficient local government.</p>
54657			<p>There are some very strange proposals in the north of Derbyshire Dales, i.e. Hathersage, Bradwell, Tideswell, Calver, Litton & Longstone, Bakewell. The proposals do not seem to have taken account of social groupings or geographical terrain.</p>
54659			<p>I see no need to change the boundaries. Any alteration would have no benefit to the local communities and in the case of the Bradford Valley (Alport, Harthill, Middleton and Youlgrave) would be detrimental</p>
54660			<p>We have been Tansley residents for the last 27 years and object strongly to these new boundaries. They may have some logic to whoever thought them up but they do not bear any relation to reality- Tansley links directly with Matlock Green and Matlock - in distance, amenities, shops, culture and identity. It is on the main road and valley which leads directly to Matlock. We have no links at all with Cromford and Matlock Bath which is in the next valley over a high hill and escarpment and is totally detached from Tansley. Tansley does not have any of the characteristics of Cromford and Matlock Bath. This is a rural, working village and the proposed link would be with a large holiday destination, commercial properties, shops and day tripping amenities. We have been served well by the 3 councillors in the past and the reduction does not make any sense in terms of proper representation for the residents of Tansley. One of our concerns would be the reduction in Councillors and that the 2 remaining councillors would relate to the Cromford and Matlock Bath area because of its characteristics and Tansley would be marginalised. We want to be identified with and be a part of the planning and services for this valley and not the Derwent valley leading to Derby. We urge you to take notice of these vitally important views in terms of fair representation</p>

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54663			<p>Lathkill & Bradford Ward (L&BW) into Bakewell Ward for the following reasons: 1. Whilst the need for levelling out representation is understandable & reasonable, the impact on the representation of Youlgrave & the other villages in our L&BW is not, since it proposes to incorporate all our existing parishes into Bakewell, which will be represented by 3 councillors. Youlgrave and other rural villages have significantly different interests & needs to those of Bakewell. I think that the Bakewell councillors should be reduced to 2 in accord with The Boundary Commission's aim to reduce the number of councillors and to have ideally 2 Councillors per ward. Another elected councillor should represent Youlgrave in L&BW (or a new name?) and I suggest an additional number of other rural parishes. For example, Middleton & Smerrill with Harthill are closely linked with Youlgrave, but are proposed to be put into Bonsall & Winster Ward, whereas they should remain in the same ward as Youlgrave (perhaps even considering the addition of other adjacent rural parishes?). 2. Another prime objection to the change is taking away our traditionally independent council representation and bringing most of the Lathkill and Bradford Ward into the Bakewell Ward that is a political party ward --- a change proposed by the local Conservative Party (surprise, suprise!). 3. I understand the recommendation is for rural parishes to have one councillor, which is reasonable. Bakewell is already represented by 3 councillors but it needs more electors to justify retaining 3 councillors, hence their argument for absorbing us! There is no mention in the report of local Parish Councils (Youlgrave, Middleton & Smerrill, Over Haddon, Stanton) submissions, who I understand wish to stay separate from towns, whereas Bakewell Town & Conservative Party submissions to absorb rural parishes "to make up numbers in Bakewell" are quoted and accepted --- which clearly displays their intent & is unacceptable. NO! 4. Yet a further objection follows that if the BC recommendation is implemented urban interests, issues & motivations will dominate rural ones, by virtue of numbers & density --- very, very undemocratic. Please reject this BC & Bakewell recommendation.</p>
54664			<p>I understand the need to reduce administrative costs of the council and I agree with reducing numbers of councillors and that the areas need to be calved up in a more equal way as far as number of voters is concerned. My problem is that whichever way you calve up the 'pie' under the current voting system some peoples views will never be represented whatever community you suggest they live in. If you have a system that only listens to the biggest/loudest voice in that community then the rest of the community is irrelevant. Proportional representation is the only way to give equal value to each person in an area, it would also future proof the system as the need to keep changing boundaries so that the same number of people are represented would no longer be required</p>
54667			<p>I am a Tansley resident and note the proposed boundary changes which suggest Tansley be linked to Cromford and Matlock Bath. I cannot see any logic to this reorganisation. Tansley has no links geographically, economically or culturally to the A6 corridor. Our links are around the Nottingham road and into the outer part of Matlock. The normal school catchment areas do not coincide as children from Cromford often drain to Wirksworth not to Highfields. The current District Counsellors have a longstanding relationship with the current community which I see no reason (Other than a potentially political one) to put this relationship at risk. If the population of Matlock St Giles wish to change their representative that is their right at elections.</p>
54668			<p>I am completely against moving Youlgrave into the Bakewell boundary. The needs and representations of Youlgrave and Bakewell are completely different and both have different requirements and criteria. One, Bakewell, is tourist based market town. Youlgrave and other surrounding villages have very different priorities. As I appreciate that boundary rationalisation is necessary it would make much more sense for Youlgrave to be grouped with similar local villages in the surrounding area rather than with a much larger market town. Please reconsider your boundary recommendations. Our local councillor has given exemplary service to the local community and outlying area for many many years and to change to an unknown councillor from the Bakewell area would be a disservice not only to our local area but also to our local councillor.</p>

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54671			<p>Hello, I am writing to voice my concerns over the proposed amalgamation Tansley, Cromford and Matlock Bath. My concerns are two fold. 1. The areas are not naturally geographically linked and 2. More importantly the areas bear no resemblance to each other and have totally different issues. Matlock Bath and Cromford have issues with high volume tourism, bringing traffic problems, parking problems, litter and issues re commerce. Tansley is largely a small residential village with no tourism, traffic problems and no commerce. Linking Tansley with the other two would result in it becoming the poor relation of the three and I feel it would get left behind when council funding for services, projects etc are under discussion. I feel this will be a retrograde step for Tansley and will effect the development and maintenance of the village for years to come.</p>
54678			<p>Noooooooo!!!! Bonsall is a village mainly serviced by the Via Gellia, and we all - more or less - go through Cromford to get anywhere!!!! We are therefore subject to many of the same interests /concerns of the parish of Cromford. I would strongly, strongly oppose this, as i think many will in Bonsall.</p>
54680			<p>There should be a separate ward to include the village communities of Youlgrave and Alport (875 electors), Middleton & Smerrill (119), Harthill (46), Monyash (268) and Over Haddon (205), making a total of 1,513 electors. This would be slightly below the ward average; but by adding Gratton (14) and Elton (323) - which are both at the head of the River Bradford valley - this would make a total of 1,850 electors. An alternative to Elton might be to include Stanton or Birchover (both in Youlgrave's C of E parish), which have over 280 electors each.</p>
54682			<p>As long time residents of Youlgrave we are completely opposed to the proposal to sweep the village into Bakewell Ward. Youlgrave and Middleton are distinct villages. Youlgrave, in particular is a community with two well-used shops (including a post office), a garage and three pubs. As has been proved during the pandemic we can exist here in the village without going into Bakewell to do our shopping. The village also has a large, mediaeval parish church, a Methodist chapel, a doctor's surgery and an active, family based primary school and village staffed play school. There are several long established community events such as the annual pantomime, the well dressing festival. A community land trust was established to promote local needs and succeeded in developing affordable houses for people brought up in the village and is actively working to develop more after carrying out a survey to establish local need. This association also has a community orchard which is maintained by local people. We are an active friendly community and do not want to become swamped as part of larger authority.</p>
54688			<p>The Boundary Commission have proposed changes which would eliminate the Lathkill and Bradford ward and separate the representation of Youlgrave and Middleton. Middleton-by-Youlgrave is literally, socially, geographically, and nominally just that. By Youlgrave. It has been for centuries. Neighbouring parishes such as Smerrill, Over Haddon and Stanton have a similar rural identity. It does not seem right that in order to maintain the existing representation of the separate and socially diverse Bakewell ward anyone would consider changing that status. Especially since there could also be political implications to such a change. According to the boundary commission, Bakewell ward has more councillors per head of population to represent its community than it needs. By any common logic the adjustment required is to reduce their number. To propose the reorganisation of outlying communities in order to justify the continuation of Bakewell's representation is basic gerrymandering. The resulting change to the outlying communities will be to their detriment. History is littered with disasters of social experimentation brought about by bureaucratic interference. I strongly disagree with the proposed reorganisation of our rural council structures. Please do not consider eliminating the Lathkill and Bradford ward. By all means consider reinstating Over Haddon to it where it would be better represented. (Over Haddon was removed in a previous boundary adjustment) Youlgrave's separate rural identity should continue to be represented at District level. As the commission says, ward boundaries should "reflect the interests and identities of local communities as well as promoting effective local government". I don't believe that including Youlgrave in the Bakewell ward would meet these aims. Youlgrave's more rural community has completely different interests from those of a town such as Bakewell and need separate representation.</p>

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54689			I object to the proposed abolition of Lathkill & Bradford Ward and the proposal to amalgamate Middleton and Smerrill into Bonsall and Winster Ward. Middleton-by-Youlgrave is one of closely connected the Bradford Valley villages. Its connections with Winster and Bonsall are insignificant. Our communications and political, social, educational, cultural outlook are entirely within the Bradford Valley. This needs to be recognised and represented in the boundary changes.
54692			The Boundary Commission have proposed changes which would eliminate the Lathkill and Bradford ward and separate the representation of Youlgrave and Middleton. Middleton-by-Youlgrave is literally, socially, geographically, and nominally just that. By Youlgrave. It has been for centuries. Neighbouring parishes such as Smerrill, Over Haddon and Stanton have a similar rural identity. It does not seem right that in order to maintain the existing representation of the separate and socially diverse Bakewell ward anyone would consider changing that status. Especially since there could also be political implications to such a change. According to the boundary commission, Bakewell ward has more councillors per head of population to represent its community than it needs. By any common logic the adjustment required is to reduce their number. To propose the reorganisation of outlying communities in order to justify the continuation of Bakewell's representation is basic gerrymandering. The resulting change to the outlying communities will be to their detriment. History is littered with disasters of social experimentation brought about by bureaucratic interference. I strongly disagree with the proposed reorganisation of our rural council structures. Please do not consider eliminating the Lathkill and Bradford ward. By all means consider reinstating Over Haddon to it where it would be better represented. (Over Haddon was removed in a previous boundary adjustment) Youlgrave's separate rural identity should continue to be represented at District level. As the commission says, ward boundaries should "reflect the interests and identities of local communities as well as promoting effective local government". I don't believe that including Youlgrave in the Bakewell ward would meet these aims. Youlgrave's more rural community has completely different interests from those of a town such as Bakewell and need separate representation.
55320			I strongly object to the proposed new boundary transferring Middleton-by-Youlgrave to the Bonsall and Winster Ward. Our village, as the place-name implies, has very strong links to its neighbour, Youlgrave. Our village shops, pubs, post-office, surgery are there and, importantly for us, our child goes to the local school, Youlgrave All Saints Primary School. She will go (hopefully) to Lady Manners in Bakewell - our local town - with friends from the parish of Middleton and Smerrill, along with children from Youlgrave. Geographically we are close to Youlgrave - sharing the Dale, main road bus service. We have no community connection with Winster or Bonsall, have different cultural identities which makes these villages / parishes the fantastic places they are. Please do not make the proposed changes!
55321			We would like things to stay as they are but if there is going to be a change in boundaries we think Middleton by Youlgrave should be in the same boundary as Youlgrave.
55323			I strongly believe that the communities of the Bradford valley - Alport, Harthill, Middleton and Youlgrave – have a separate rural identity to Bakewell and that should be reflected in their continued representation at District level. Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from the villages and Youlgrave's in particular, and I fear that by being swallowed up in the Bakewell ward our community will lose effective representation. Please don't lump the villages in with a town. If you need to join anything together join the villages and give them a bigger collective voice.
55325			The communities of the Bradford valley – Alport, Harthill, Middleton and Youlgrave – have a separate rural identity that should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. Bakewell's needs and day to day issues are very different from Youlgrave's, and the fear is that by being swallowed up in Bakewell ward our community will lose effective representation. I am against your proposal.
55329			As a long term resident for 25 years in Youlgrave I am highly concerned about the changes that are being proposed. Youlgrave is a village, not a town and our interests will not be served correctly with being merged with Bakewell. Everyone in the village is shocked and concerned.

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55330			Just wanted to voice significant concerns over the proposals. Youlgrave is a small village, clearly with differing needs to that of a bigger market town. I would be very concerned that our needs would not be met with deleterious consequences if the proposals were met. My understanding is that there are other more obvious ways of dealing with dwindling numbers. By adding Over Haddon, or Stanton or Birchover this would bring up the numbers and ensure an appropriately sized, and logically defined rural ward. Our rural identify needs to be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level. I fear we would lose effective representation by being engulfed in the Bakewell ward. I urge the proposals to be reconsidered, especially in light of there being significantly better alternatives.
55332			Youlgrave, Middleton, alport and hart hill have been as 'one' community for as long as I have lived and years before that. To change it now would be absurd. Completely unnecessary. For what reason?? We re a small but strong, united community with a very special bond. I fear we would be swallowed up and become irrelevant if linked to a larger area. If it's not broke then don't fix it!
55335			I live in the village of youlgreave. We have a parish council that looks after the needs of those who live within its boundaries. The councillors live in the area so have knowledge of what is happening on a day to day basis. I personally do not want someone who doesn't live or have knowledge of the village making decisions that will effect peoples life's. I can contact a counsellor to tell them of my concerns and be sorted , unlike someone who doesn't live in the area or know the concerns of the village. It should be better left as it is.
55336			It is very concerning to me that if the boundaries change we will loose our village identity as Bakewells needs are very different to our own.
55339			I would like to strongly oppose the merger especially in regards to Youlgrave joining the ward with Bakewell, of this happens Youlgrave will never be fairly represented as Bakewell is a bigger concern and brings in a lot of income for DDDC so it will always need to be favourable! Youlgrave is a totally different community with its own important needs, which need to suit our own demographics, for what best suits us in these rural communities, our voice in this merger will be lost in this bigger ward and we will be just a community sat behind Bakewell. I feel there is no need to change it, we are represented by someone who has lived and worked amongst us and pushes for change and gives our small communities a voice, why fix something that's not broken?
55341			Youlgrave should be included in the same area as the other local villages with which we have much in common and certainly not be swallowed up into Bakewell which has very different issues and needs.
55342			Youlgrave is a small village that doesn't need to be named under bakewell. We have lots of small community events. Leave Youlgrave as it's own area please,
55344			My comments relate to the area of Derbyshire Dales District in the DE4 5HJ and DE4 5HL postcode areas, known as Homesford. Currently this area is part of the Wirksworth ward but is four miles away from the town and does not have any logical connection to Wirksworth. The area is right at the very edge of the District Council boundary, being bounded on one side by the current Masson ward and on the southern side by the border with Amber Valley Borough Council. The electors of the area are required to cast their votes at the Bolehill Polling Station at elections, which means driving past the polling station at Cromford to get to the one at Bolehill. This does not seem sensible or environmentally desirable. In addition, the area looks to either Cromford or Crich, in the Amber Valley Borough, for such things as local shopping needs and community activities. I would therefore like to suggest that the area known as Homesford and comprising the postcodes of DE45HJ and DE4 5HL be incorporated into the proposed Cromford and Matlock Rural Ward. The effect of this will be to remove approximately 25 electors from the proposed Wirksworth and Carsington Ward, thus reducing the number of electors per councillor nearer to the average and transferring them to the proposed Cromford and Matlock Rural Ward, bringing the number of electors per councillor in the ward up nearer the average.
55347			I strongly object to the proposal to include Youlgrave and Alport as part of Bakewell ward. Youlgrave has a strong village identity and affinity with its neighbouring villages with its own very strong sense of community and community services - the village shops, pubs and surgery. There is no sense of connection or community cohesion with the nearby town of Bakewell.

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55350			I do not believe Youlgrave should be coupled with Bakewell as opposed to Middleton etc that it has always been associated with! I live in Conksbury just outside Youlgrave and I feel the village is vastly different from Bakewell. The demographics, are totally different between Bakewell as a town and Youlgrave as a small village. It is utter nonsense and if it goes ahead any changes that affect Bakewell will not be remotely applicable to Youlgrave. You need to listen to your constituents and make a sensible choice. Pair like with like not opposites. Village life is paramount in Youlgrave and changes like this could cause irreversible damage to the longstanding community spirit with Middleton and surrounding villages. Dr Katherine Brennan (Mrs Bates)
55351			As a long term resident of Youlgrave I disagree with the amalgamation with Bakewell. I cannot understand what it would achieve except erode the villages strong identity.
55353			I totally endorse the complete response from Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council with regard to you trying to change the parish boundary.
55355			We live in the parish of Harthill which you propose, moving from Youlgrave to Winster & Bonsall. This makes no sense whatsoever. Harthill has absolutely no connection to Bonsall or Winster and is clearly just being used to make up the numbers by someone who has no local knowledge. Harthill associates with the town of Bakewell, whilst Bonsall & Winster associate with either Matlock or Wirksworth. We would all prefer to remain as a ward with Youlgrave or other neighbouring villages such as Monyash, Over Haddon, Stanton in the Peak or Birchover. We have hardly ever been to Bonsall or Winster and know very little about them, so cannot believe that they could ever be considered our 'local' council. The children from Middleton & Harthill go to school in Bakewell, whilst we believe the children from Bonsall & Winster go to secondary school in Wirksworth - 2 very different towns & communities.
55358			I would like Tansley to remain in the same ward as Matlock (town). Tansley has a long-established association with Matlock for shopping, business, health facilities etc. Most of Tansley's children attend secondary school at Starkholmes and Matlock. There is an historical and current synergy between Tansley and Matlock. Tansley has nothing in common with the tourist destination of Matlock Bath and Cromford has more in common with Wirksworth and the outlying areas. It is not desirable for Tansley to be part of a ward that lacks geographical coherence and is too far reaching. Tansley would lose its identity as a village of 1,200 residents, if it merges with settlements with which it has little in common.
55359			I don't believe the changes you propose are in Tansley best interest. Being grouped in with a large tourist area like Matlock Bath & Cromford which has different requirements than a village like Tansley. To reduce the councillors and make the Ward larger means more local problems will be left on the shelf unsolved. So please leave it be.
55363			I live in Youlgrave with my husband. We do not consider these proposed boundary changes to be positive. Youlgrave Alport and Middleton are very different to Bakewell with completely different interests. We do not hope to attract thousands of visitors we do want people to come and enjoy our unique village with its own history including its own water supply. We have an excellent councillor who has lived in the village for many years and understands the local issues. Youlgrave is unique in that it is a place where people come to walk, take part in well dressing or enjoy a pantomime performance. In Youlgrave we are generally self sufficient with our own shops, school, medical centre, garage, village hall, allotments, bowling green, sports ground, several churches, clubs and societies, farmers, businesses Why would there be any advantage to Youlgrave ,Alport and Middleton to be joined with Bakewell to be swallowed!
55366			I feel we must protest at the suggestion of Youlgrave and Alport being incorporated with Bakewell in the proposed boundary changes. As Youlgrave parish councillors are mostly made up of people born and brought up in the village, we feel they no the matters local people consider are important to the local area. If Youlgrave and Alport were to come under Bakewell I feel we would comes econd to the needs of a town. Yours sincerely Anne Prince and Robert Dawson

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55368			As a resident of Wirksworth Ward I have concerns about the proposed boundary changes and their affect on democratic representation. The proposals mean that Wirksworth has one of the highest variances (11%) and the comparison with Bakewell which also has three councillors but a much smaller electorate seems inequitable. I would support moving Kirk Ireton PC back to its near neighbour Hulland which shares similarities in terms of its community. I would also support moving Bradley PC from Hulland to Ashbourne South or North with which it shares, not only a common boundary, but also a similar character for its community. If these alterations were made Wirksworth Carsington Water would have a much reduced variance and this variance would not be significantly affected by projected growths in the electorate. I ask you to give careful consideration to these proposals.
55370			No to abolishing Youlgrave's district council ward
55372			I have lived in Middleton by Youlgreave parish for over 20 years We are part of the Lathkill and Bradford Ward because the community interests are exactly aligned with this area and no other. We do not share our interests with the neighbouring parish in any way whatsoever, geographical, economic, historical, environmental.
55374			We would like to object to the proposed abolition of the Lathkill and Bradford Ward. We have no desire to amalgamate with the town of Bakewell. Youlgrave and existing associated ward villages have always shared services and social facilities, surgery, shops, schools, clubs, churches, public transport and much more. What is the point in making unnecessary changes to a ward and close connected villages already working perfectly well. Bakewell will always have different interests and aspirations and we do not believe this would make a sensible match.
55376			I am really surprised that Tansley is being linked with Matlock bath and Cromford in this proposal. Tansley being a small rural village with strong links to Matlock. It is not a tourist hotspot; areas which would need extra financial support to update its attractions. I worry that Tansley would become a secondary consideration. It also seems illogical geographically? For both these reasons I think Tansley would become under represented in council and we would loose any voice we have in community issues and concerns.
55378			Why link Tansley with Matlock bath and Cromford in this proposal. Tansley being a small rural village with strong links to Matlock St Giles. It is not a tourist hotspot, or as commercial as Matlock bath and Cromford. These areas will need extra financial support in the future to update its attractions. I worry that Tansley would become a secondary consideration and backwater. We don't even have one single shop for the current residents It also seems illogical geographically? For these reasons I think Tansley would become under represented in council and we would loose any voice we have in community issues and concerns and lack of funding. Tansley and it's current community spirit would die..
55380			Commission's proposal to abolish the Lathkill and Bradford ward of Derbyshire Dales District Council. I wish to support the objection made by the Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council to the proposal and to endorse its alternative proposals. I wish to make the following comments: (i) WARD BOUNDARIES SHOULD REFLECT THE INTERESTS AND IDENTITIES OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES: as a resident here for 5 years, I have consulted with local residents who have lived in this community for decades - in some instances their families have lived here for generations. I have not met one who can understand how the Commission can propose new ward boundaries which place Middleton-by-Youlgrave in a new ward with Bonsall and Winster. Local knowledge matters: no-one can see which interests and local identities are served by this proposal. It would be interesting to learn if any local person made a proposal along these lines. 2. THE TIES BETWEEN MIDDLETON-BY-YOULGRAVE AND YOULGRAVE: these are concisely set out in the submission by Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council. Everyone recognises these because they are real and ongoing. They constitute a compelling list of shared interests and identities. 3. WARD REPRESENTATION: the current Lathkill and Bradford ward is represented by a person living in the Bradford Valley with an intimate knowledge of all its communities. I regularly attend meetings of the Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council as a layperson. The district ward councillor is a frequent participant and works closely with the community on issues relating to the district council. This is a demonstration of how a ward covering close rural communities has its interests very well served by the current ward boundaries. It fully satisfies any criterion for effective and convenient local government 4. RECOMMENDATION BY BAKEWELL TOWN COUNCIL AND THE LOCAL CONSERVATIVE PARTY: it is my understanding that the proposal for abolishing the Lathkill and Bradford ward came from these two organisations. I should point out to the Boundary Commission that there is no evidence whatsoever that these submissions from Bakewell Town Council & the Conservative Party were preceded by any consultation with the parish councils within the current ward area or with any other

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55382			The imposition of incorporating Youlgreave into the Bakewell area is absolutely ludicrous. Youlgreave has no social connection whatever with Bakewell, and to remove a village called Middleton by Youlgreave into another area shows the complete detachment of officials from reality. You are dealing with real people here, from villages that have a sense of community and belonging that has grown over centuries. May I remind you that Youlgreave was the mother church for all those villages, Elton , Alport, Over Haddon and of course Middleton by Youlgreave and you propose to obliterate history with the stroke of a pen just so Bakewell can retain its three councillors, perhaps they could manage with two and leave our band of villages alone. If it isn't broke, don't mend it. By the way, to find that the local Conservative party is in favour of this disgraceful disregard for Youlgreave and other villages has prompted me to send my resignation from the local Conservative party immediately. M. Stacey.
55384			I totally agree with the views of Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council and we should NOT become part of the Bonsall and Winster Ward. There is no benefit in moving us away from our neighbouring village of Youlgrave.
55386			1) I disagree with the proposal to add Youlgrave to the Bakewell ward 2) The communities of the Bradford valley have a rural identity whose needs can be different from Bakewell. Therefore these needs should be reflected in its own continuing representation at District level rather being swallowed up in the Bakewell ward. 3) If the issue of the number of electors in the Bradford ward is critical, it can be solved by the addition of similar communities in Over Haddon or Stanton and Birchover. 4) Adding Bradford Valley to Bakewell has no community benefits and would seem to have been proposed solely to maintain the existing number of Bakewell councillors rather than the Boundary Commission's aim of 2 councillors per ward
55390			I have lived in the village of Over Haddon since 1967 and for most of that time we have been included with neighbouring villages/parishes sharing similar issues and interests for the purposes of electing a representative on the local district council, which has generally worked very well. Since 2011 we have been included with the town of Bakewell, which has about twenty times the population of our community, for the purpose of electoral wards, so unsurprisingly our interests have been subservient to those of the town. This has been particularly apparent in recent years over the issue of the closure of public toilets where the district council has sought to close most of these facilities in villages whilst maintaining a handful, located in the main urban centres of the district, including Bakewell. Over Haddon Parish Council decided to pay for the maintenance of the public toilets in the village, located in the public car park, both of which facilities were built to coincide with the designation of the adjoining Lathkill Dale National Nature Reserve and are much in demand by tourists. Other neighbouring villages have experienced similar issues. I strongly believe that electoral wards for the return of representatives to local councils should reflect as much commonality of interests as possible in order to maintain a thriving local democracy.
55439			We strongly oppose separating Middleton by Youlgreave from its "mother" village of Youlgreave. We are after all linked by name. Middleton residents support church, shops, pubs and the village school and it will not be a comfortable liaison to link us to Bonsall and Wirksworth. . We urge you to reconsider this fundamental change of our boundary. We are well able to maintain our links with Youlgreave as it is walking distance and we are also served by an adequate bus service. Many families have relations in Youlgreave and have integrated into many of the Youlgrave activities which Middleton would not be able to support on its own.
55440			I am totally against the new boundary changes. We are bound to Youlgreave in all cases.
55442			I have lived in the village of Middleton for forty odd years. I strongly wish that the parish can be kept as it is. It has worked well in the past and should not be changed now

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55444			I object to the draft proposal to disband the Lathkill ward in Derbyshire Dales. Youlgrave is an important and thriving village within the district and together with neighboring hamlets has always had a distinct and independent voice on the district council. As a village with shops, pubs, cafe/bakery, post office, Doctor's surgery, garage, primary school and 3 churches/chapels, our concerns, economy and social structures are very different from that of the market town of Bakewell into which it is proposed we are subsumed. Issues of maintaining our important infrastructure, and of tourism, parking, farming, and rural transport are very different from those of a town. Furthermore, Bakewell (with its limited choice in supermarkets, banks, etc) holds a less central role in the life of Youlgrave residents than may have been the case a generation ago. Many villagers choose other local towns for their weekly shop, banking, vets, opticians, dentists etc, as well as for their access via rail further afield. I believe this proposal goes contrary to guidance about maintaining the unique character of rural communities and that the representations from Youlgrave Parish council on this matter should be more carefully considered. There are many better and fairer ways to redraw the boundaries of existing wards to achieve the aim of slightly reducing the number of councillors whilst still adhering to the principles of effective representation of the different communities within Derbyshire Dales.
55446			I am totally against the proposal to abolish Youlgrave's District Council Ward and amalgamate with Bakewell. I fully support Youlgrave's Parish Councils alternative suggestion to meagre all the parishes of the Lathkill and Bradford valleys.
55448			I object to the draft proposal to abolish Lathkill and Bradford Ward and incorporate Youlgrave and Alport into Bakewell Ward and putting Middleton and Smerrill into Bonsall and Winster Ward. Youlgrave has very different interests and concerns to Bakewell being a rural village with close associations with it's outlying hamlets (Middleton, Smerrill, Harthill and Alport) I fear this abolition will mean our community will loose effective and appropriate representation. This draft proposal goes against the guidance that states clearly that boundaries should "reflect the interests and identities of local communities, as well as promoting effective local government". There are better ways of redrawing the boundaries and these should be considered.
55459			The draft proposals for Bonsall I feel are quite unsuitable. The main problem stems from the fact that a very small section of the village is within the Peak National Park, approximately thirty properties. Looking at the Peak National Park boundary, I feel that this could be readily adjusted to exclude all the Bonsall properties, thus leaving Bonsall in Masson ward. Bonsall and Cromford were closely linked long before the construction of the Via Gellia - with lead mining, quarries, small mills etc. This link continues with the various businesses, post office, newsagent, butchers etc. Plus a bus service into Cromford and Matlock - no bus to Winster from Bonsall! To reduce Derbyshire Dales District councillors from 39 to 34 is a big move, which I don't think will work. This plan needs serious re-thinking.
55542			Middleton is almost attached to Youlgrave it makes no sense to add us elsewhere that have no knowledge of our local concerns. It is a ludicrous suggestion.

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55543			<p>We are writing to strongly oppose the Boundary Commissions draft recommendation to abolish Youlgrave's District Council Ward and to amalgamate Youlgrave with Bakewell. We believe that this draft proposal would not be of benefit to Youlgrave and that the recommendations will not deliver the required statutory criteria of Equality of representation; Reflecting community interests and identities; and Providing for effective and convenient local government. It seems that the present recommendation is based primarily on increasing numbers of residents in order to allow Bakewell to keep three Councillors. Whilst including Youlgrave might provide some equality of ratios across Derbyshire Dales, abolishing the Youlgrave District Ward will, in our opinion, decrease equality of representation for local people in terms of identifying and meeting local needs and priorities. The proposals for Youlgrave also appear to undermine several of the key strategies and principles of the Derbyshire Dales Local Plan which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protecting the character and local distinctiveness of villages; • Maintaining and strengthening the vitality and viability of villages (as well as towns) and to sustain the quality of life for local residents; • Increasing emphasis on the promotion of sustainable communities in rural villages; and • Promoting and maintaining the distinct identity of rural parishes. <p>Our overriding concern is that the needs and issues facing residents of Youlgrave are going to be overwhelmed by those of Bakewell. Also the close historic, community and cultural connections with other local villages and hamlets will be damaged. We have lived in Derbyshire Dales for over 30 years and believe that the present arrangements for Youlgrave is the best way to maintain genuine equality of representation and sustain local community links. We therefore oppose the Boundary Commission proposals and wish for Youlgrave District Council Ward to continue to develop and support local community interests, to continue to sustain local identity and to continue to actively contribute to effective and convenient local government. Cheryl Coyne & Pat Roach New Road, Youlgrave</p>
55545			<p>Middleton by Youlgrave has always been linked with Youlgrave, hence the name. We share facilities and socialise between the two neighbouring villages with many Middleton residents having extended family and connection within Youlgrave. The main bus route in and out of Middleton being via Youlgrave. We have and have never had any connections with the various villages mentioned in the boundary changes and as a long standing family in Middleton have no wish to see the changes take place. Claire Sutton Home Farm Middleton by Youlgrave</p>
55549			<p>we appreciate that it would be electorally advantageous to move the boundary, there is compelling evidence to suggest that Middleton and Smerrill, together with neighbouring village communities, should continue to form a Ward of its own and not become parts of other Wards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Middleton by Youlgrave is a locally distinct village that shares little in common with Bonsall and Winster and from its name has a major established link to its nearest neighbour, 'Youlgrave'. The Parish name Middleton and Smerrill distinguishes it from other Middleton named parishes locally, using the historic archaeology of the medieval village of Smerrill, of which only a hamlet remains. 2. Middleton by Youlgrave and Smerrill, together with Youlgrave and Alport and the rural hamlet of Harthill, are closely connected village communities in the Bradford Valley that share the same everyday services, the same monthly community magazine, the same vicar, the same bus service, are connected by one single road and valley bottom path, and so on. 3. The children of Middleton and Smerrill attend at Youlgrave School/Nursery/Girl guiding unit; all of the community are: patients at Youlgrave Surgery, Youlgrave Church is the mother church to Middleton by Youlgrave Church (Peak Deanery) – other worshippers attend Youlgrave's chapels, socially are part of the same WI, customers at Youlgrave's pubs, shops and garage – two businesses in Youlgrave are owned by Middleton and Smerrill residents, 90% of car journeys go through Youlgrave, they have no connection with Bonsall and Winster for any reason. Upper school children in Middleton and Smerrill feed into Lady Manners School in Bakewell: Winster school feeds into Highfields School in Matlock and Bonsall children to Anthony Gell School in Wirksworth. 4. Historically and politically Middleton and Smerrill has been separate from Bonsall, Winster and even Bakewell. Indeed, our residents have helped return an independent village-based District Councillor for over 30 continuous years - unique within the Derbyshire Dales. <p>This is a clear statement of local identity and a desire for specific representation. The Bonsall and Winster proposals would have little commonality as Winster was last seen in Cromwellian times – being part of our Royalist leanings and surveyed by the victors</p>
55551			<p>I FULLY SUPPORT the Response from Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council. I do not need to add anything further as it is all contained in that document.</p>

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56107			I do not agree to the proposal to incorporate Youlgrave into the Bakewell Ward and would like to object. Derbyshire villages such as Youlgrave, Middleton and Alport - along with others such as Winster and Over Haddon - have different issues and needs. I do not believe that there will be adequate representation on issues such as education, development, transport, and other rural issues if we are swallowed up by a large entity such as Bakewell. This is hardly a move towards meaningful democracy at a local level. It would make better sense to create a ward from these villages who are much more likely to share a common agenda and so be better represented.
56113			We live in the village of Over Haddon and are aware of the current proposal to include Over Haddon with Bakewell, as it has been since 2011 and to abolish the Lathkill and Bradford ward, which Over Haddon was included in before that date. We know this is contrary to the recommendation that Over Haddon Parish Council made, that we should revert to inclusion within the Lathkill and Bradford ward, with whom we feel we have a greater affinity of interests as a group of rural villages, rather than being subsumed within the Bakewell town ward where our views would have little sway.
56115			I wish to comment and raise questions on the draft proposals submitted by Derbyshire Dales DC and how they affect Bonsall Village. The principle of being able to carry out its roles and responsibilities with a reduced number of councillors, 34 from 39 is understood. However if I have understood the proposals correctly, it appears to me that the legal requirements and guiding principle in respect of the Peak District National Park have not been satisfied. My feeling is that the draft lines being drawn are the result of a mathematical exercise rather than considering the communities requirements, concerns and history. Bonsall village is closely aligned to Cromford in so many ways, facilities, employment, common issues with quarrying and the Via Gellia valley. We use Cromford for local shopping, post office, take aways, restaurants, pubs and butchers. We live at the top of Bonsall village and overlook three Cromford quarries. The main vehicular access to the village is via Cromford and heavily trafficked A5012 Via Gellia road. Access to Winster is by a poor quality moorland road the majority of which is single track. Very little of Bonsall lies within the National Park. The proposal appears to place the majority of Bonsall in a mixed bag of communities of which we have nothing in common. For your information I was brought up in Tansley village for 23 years and have lived in Bonsall for 39 years. I would ask that this draft is dismissed and that Derbyshire Dales are instructed to have a re – think and put the communities first rather than the maths and listen to our Parish Council
56126			I wish to register my objection to the proposed boundary changes and draft recommendations, particularly in relation to the proposed future of Middleton-by-Youlgrave. I fully support and agree with the points as outlined below in the village Parish Council statement.
56132			I personally see no reason to change things. As far as I can see, its change for zero purpose, and costing money when the United Kingdom as a whole has greater issues to deal with
56135			I live at Lomberdale Hall, Middleton by Youlgrave. We are right on the boundary of the two parishes and our fields straddle both parishes. Youlgrave, and Middleton by Youlgrave are closely associated communities. The river Bradford flows through the two villages and these communities are united by the limestone valley. The proposal is to split Middleton from Youlgrave. I am strongly against this. This is a rural community with its own identity - The village of Youlgrave does not fall comfortably into Bakewell, and the village of Middleton is entirely different to Bonsall. Middleton and Youlgrave belong to each other, with a shared history and culture. This is a union which should be respected, and which should survive.

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56137			<p>District Council, which make the Bakewell ward very large in comparison to the current situation. As a result of this, Lathkill and Bradford ward is totally lost, as is the voice of a significant proportion of the rural population into an urban population. Bakewell already has its own ward to make representation on behalf of the urban community. And it already has 2 councillors. I understood that the whole point of District Councils is to represent the needs and local issues affecting each individual ward's communities. How can this work if Lathkill and Bradford ward disappears into an urban area? The needs of the Bakewell community, being a market town with a huge tourism lean, will be significantly different to the rural community. I do not understand how this can possibly be justified. By removing Lathkill and Bradford ward, our community loses its voice completely. We have had an independent councillor for at least 30 years to represent our views and needs, and we should continue to have this opportunity to move our community into the future. Why does Bakewell need 3 councillors, when it is the only town in such a rural area? Surely the rural aspect is more representative of the area as a whole. Why can we not keep our independent (ie no party political involvement) councillor who will truly represent our local needs with the impartiality we all deserve? Local Government should always be based on local need, and be completely impartial of party politics. Youlgrave itself is one of, if not the largest village in the Peak District. It has very strong links with Middleton by Youlgrave and Smerrill, by virtue of the bus routes, parishes, education as well as historical and family ties. The proposal completely severs these links, leaving our communities even less input into future management of our ward. If this decision is based on distribution of population and to satisfy party political objectives, then to remove an independent locally elected councillor is against the ethos of the District Council and its function as a whole. The community speaks by electing an independent councillor - as we have done for at least 30 years. This is Local Government at its best, what the community has voted for, and how it should remain. I sincerely hope that objections to the proposals will be looked at seriously, and acted</p>
56139			<p>I am in opposition to these proposed changes for the reasons below. As a resident of Middleton by Youlgrave I am not happy about the proposed boundary changes for Derbyshire Dales. We are currently in a area with Youlgrave, a village which contains our nearest shops and other amenities and my childrens school, also our recreation facilities such as cricket and football clubs. I feel that as a small village we are part of the community of Youlgrave so it makes sense that we are grouped with Youlgrave in the boundaries. We have been placed in the proposals with Winster and Bonsall. We have no connection with these villages. There is not a bus that connects us, we are not geographically near to these villages and our children will not even be attending the same secondary school as the children in these villages. I actually feel that whoever has proposed these boundaries has done it arbitrarily, purely based on 'evening up numbers' rather than taking into account local links between villages and the way rural networks are formed. We are linked to Youlgrave and Bakewell, this is where our local services, schools and facilities are. I would also like to add that have appreciated having an independent representative on the council. Someone who lives locally and represents our local area fully and who is not just going to go with what their party has decided they want for our area. It will be a real shame to lose this.</p>

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56141			intention to separate the more 'urban' Matlock from the rural surroundings, the grouping of Tansley with Cromford and Matlock Bath does not reflect local communities. Cromford and Matlock Bath are closely linked by the A6 and the current ward name Masson is recognisable for local residents, with Masson Mill an instantly recognisable community landmark. Both Cromford and Matlock Bath have similar issues with traffic and tourism along the A6, centred around Matlock Bath, Masson Mill, and Cromford Canal, and residents frequently use the facilities located in each town. There is also a well-used bus service, the 6.1, that connected the two towns. In addition, including Matlock Bath in a rural ward would not accurately reflect a rural facing ward, as Matlock Bath is a busy town with high footfall, numerous tourist attractions and packed shops. Therefore, I agree that Cromford and Matlock Bath should be in the same ward, but I disagree that that ward should also include Tansley and the areas of Upper Lumsdale. Tansley is the anomaly in this grouping. While Tansley is a self-contained community, if it were to be grouped with another area it would make the most sense for it to be Matlock. The 150 bus service connects Tansley to Matlock, whereas there is no public transport between Tansley and Cromford or Matlock Bath that would not first have to go through Matlock. Residents in Tansley use the facilities in Matlock and go here for shopping, doctors, dentists, and to use the local train or bus station. I would also like to draw attention to the boundary between Matlock All Saints, Matlock St Giles and Cromford & Matlock Rural in the area around Highfields School. The houses along the A632 past Highfields School, such as Cardinshaw Road, are part of 'urban' Matlock and should therefore be placed in either Matlock St Giles or Matlock All Saints. This area of Matlock looks firmly down the hill to central Matlock and Matlock Green and have little connection to Matlock Bath or Cromford, which are quite far away. It is in Matlock where these residents will use the local facilities and attend schools. If a boundary were to run through Matlock, the current and proposed boundary of Chesterfield Road is a good choice. It is a large road and recognisable all the way to the edge of the council
56144			The general recommendations for DDDC are understandable and supported. However the proposed knock-on effects on Ashbourne Town Council are not supported by any numbers in the document or by any understanding of the geography and population centres within the Town. Creation of one extra Ward (Compton) with one Councillor seems meaningless when there's a natural geographical association with Parkside where the recommendation is to increase by one anyway. As the electors are moving from St Oswalds it seems natural that any reduction in Ward representation should come from there. What is not justified is the reduction in Hilltop from 4 to 2. Hilltop is not affected by the boundary proposals in any way and, unlike any of the other Wards, is one of the few Ward areas subject to increasing housing development. In the past month or so, for instance, plans have been passed for a further 50 dwellings. In summary there is no justification to reduce Hilltop Ward Councillors and no clear reason why a small number of electors (Compton) should be a single member Ward when they can be combined into Parkside.
56146			We do not agree with the proposed boundary changes affecting Tansley. Our village has very close ties with the town of Matlock. As we have no shops, doctors, dentist, secondary school, library and other facilities in the village, we travel to Matlock for these services - not to Matlock Bath or Cromford - and feel that the future planning for these services for Tansley would be best served by remaining within a Matlock ward. This would ensure that councillors responsible for scrutinising changes made in Matlock would take into account the impact the changes would make on Tansley. The key elements of our infrastructure - roads, facilities, footpaths - link to Matlock, rather than to other communities. When considering a community wider than the village, we would regard ourselves as part of the Matlock community. There are no obvious links to Matlock Bath, Cromford or other parts of the proposed ward, other than any links those other communities would also have to Matlock. The residents of Tansley probably feel more closely connected to Ash over or Wessington- both outside DDDC of course - than Matlock Bath. The only parish in Derbyshire Dales which Tansley borders is Matlock Town.
56382			I strongly object to the inclusion of the Village in the Parish of Over Haddon within any Bakewell Town Ward.

Electoral data

Using this sheet:

Fill in the cells for each polling district. Please make sure that the names of each parish, parish ward & district ward are correct & consistent. Check your data in the cells to the

Check your data	2020	2026
Number of councillors:	34	34
Overall electorate:	58,108	61,392
Average electorate per cllr:	1,709	1,806

Polling district	Parish	Parish ward	Grouped parish council	Existing ward	Electorate 2020	Electorate 2026
AAB	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - Belle Vue		Ashbourne North	1505	1566
AAP	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - Parkside		Ashbourne North	1041	1054
AOU	Offcote & Underwood	Offcote & Underwood		Ashbourne North	415	420
BAH	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - Hilltop Ward		Ashbourne South	2637	2808
BAS	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - St Oswald		Ashbourne South	1259	1668
BAS part				Ashbourne North	297	394
CBB	Baslow & Bubnell	Baslow & Bubnell		Chatsworth	1013	1025
CBE	Beeley	Beeley		Chatsworth	125	127
CCH	Chatsworth	Chatsworth		Chatsworth	13	13
CED	Edensor	Edensor		Chatsworth	126	128
CPI	Pilsley	Pilsley		Chatsworth	112	113
DBR	Brailsford	Brailsford		Brailsford	988	1392
DHO	Hollington	Hollington		Brailsford	182	184
DLO	Longford	Longford		Brailsford	303	307
DME	Mercaston	Mercaston		Brailsford	66	67
EDO	Doveridge	Doveridge		Doveridge & Sudbury	1288	1598
ESU	Sudbury	Sudbury		Doveridge & Sudbury	346	350
FCA	Calver	Calver		Calver & Longstone	573	580
FCU	Curbar	Curbar		Calver & Longstone	340	344
FFR	Froggatt	Froggatt		Calver & Longstone	170	172
FSM	Stoney Middleton	Stoney Middleton		Hathersage	411	416
GBR	Bradley	Bradley		Hulland	262	265
GCC	Clifton & Compton	Clifton & Compton		Ashbourne South	417	422
GEW	Edlaston & Wyaston	Edlaston & Wyaston		Ashbourne South	156	190
GOS	Osmaston	Osmaston		Ashbourne South	121	122
GSH	Shirley	Shirley		Norbury	205	207
GSN	Snelston	Snelston		Norbury	158	160
GYE	Yeldersley	Yeldersley		Ashbourne South	165	167
HAW	Ashford In The Water	Ashford In The Water		Bakewell	375	380
HBM	Bakewell	Bakewell		Bakewell	819	884
HBT	Bakewell	Bakewell		Bakewell	2186	2212
HNH	Nether Haddon	Nether Haddon		Bakewell	8	8
HOH	Over Haddon	Over Haddon		Bakewell	203	205
HSH	Sheldon	Sheldon		Bakewell	61	62
IBI	Hartington Nether Quarter	Hartington Nether Quarter		Hartington & Taddington	344	348
IEA	Eaton & Alsop	Eaton & Alsop		White Peak	74	75
IFB	Fenny Bentley	Fenny Bentley		White Peak	138	140
ILH	Tissington & Lea Hall	Tissington & Lea Hall		White Peak	7	7
IMA	Mappleton	Mappleton		Ashbourne North	124	125
ING	Newton Grange	Newton Grange		White Peak	39	39
IPA	Parwich	Parwich		White Peak	381	386
ITH	Thorpe	Thorpe		White Peak	137	139
ITI	Tissington & Lea Hall	Tissington & Lea Hall		White Peak	128	130
JAB	Abney & Abney Grange	Abney & Abney Grange		Bradwell	41	41
JEY	Eyam	Eyam		Hathersage	795	805
JGR	Grindleford	Grindleford		Hathersage	765	774
JHA	Hathersage	Hathersage		Hathersage	1572	1591
JHI	Highlow	Highlow		Hathersage	23	23
JOE	Offerton	Offerton		Hathersage	12	12
KBR	Bradwell	Bradwell		Bradwell	1153	1167
KFO	Foolow	Foolow		Bradwell	111	112
KGH	Great Hucklow	Great Hucklow		Bradwell	117	118
KGR	Grindlow	Grindlow		Bradwell	31	31

Name of ward	Number of cllrs per ward	Electorate 2020	Electors per cllr 2020	Variance 2020
Ashbourne North	2	3,382	1,691	-1%
Ashbourne South	3	4,755	1,585	-7%
Bakewell	3	4,782	1,594	-7%
Bonsall & Winster	1	1,661	1,661	-3%
Bradwell	1	1,651	1,651	-3%
Brailsford	1	1,539	1,539	-10%
Calver & Longstone	1	1,817	1,817	6%
Chatsworth	1	1,777	1,777	4%
Cromford & Matlock Bath	2	3,205	1,603	-6%
Darley Dale	2	3,334	1,667	-2%
Doveridge & Sudbury	1	1,634	1,634	-4%
Hartington & Taddington	1	1,734	1,734	1%
Hathersage	2	3,578	1,789	5%
Hulland	1	1,456	1,456	-15%
Matlock All Saints	3	5,647	1,882	10%
Matlock St Giles	2	3,223	1,612	-6%
Norbury	1	1,795	1,795	5%
Stanton	1	1,652	1,652	-3%
Tideswell	1	1,894	1,894	11%
White Peak	1	1,888	1,888	10%
Wirksworth & Carsington	3	5,704	1,901	11%
		58,108		

KHA	Hazlebadge	Hazlebadge	Bradwell	20	20
KLH	Little Hucklow	Little Hucklow	Bradwell	73	74
LBI	Biggin	Biggin	Hulland	98	241
LCA	Callow	Callow	Wirksworth & Carsington Wat	42	43
LHU	Hulland	Hulland	Hulland	171	173
LHW	Hulland Ward	Hulland Ward	Hulland	822	892
LKI	Kirk Ireton	Kirk Ireton	Wirksworth & Carsington Wat	378	383
MAL	Aldwark	Aldwark	White Peak	34	34
MAT	Atlow	Atlow	Hulland	103	104
MBA	Ballidon	Ballidon	White Peak	55	56
MBD	Bradbourne	Bradbourne	White Peak	97	98
MBS	Brassington	Brassington	White Peak	471	477
MCA	Carsington	Carsington	Wirksworth & Carsington Wat	129	131
MHG	Hognaston	Hognaston	Wirksworth & Carsington Wat	221	224
MHP	Hopton	Hopton	Wirksworth & Carsington Wat	89	90
MIB	Ible	Ible	Bonsall & Winster	36	36
MIG	Ivonbrook Grange	Ivonbrook Grange	Bonsall & Winster	14	14
MKN	Kniveton	Kniveton	White Peak	327	331
NGL	Great Longstone	Great Longstone	Calver & Longstone	576	583
NHA	Hassop	Hassop	Calver & Longstone	58	59
NLC	Litton	Litton	Tideswell	148	150
NLL	Litton	Litton	Tideswell	286	289
NLM	Litton	Litton	Tideswell	61	62
NMH	Little Longstone	Little Longstone	Calver & Longstone	76	77
NRO	Rowland	Rowland	Calver & Longstone	24	24
NWA	Wardlow	Wardlow	Bradwell	105	106
OAL	Alkmonton	Alkmonton	Norbury	59	60
OBO	Boylestone	Boylestone	Norbury	159	161
OCU	Cubley	Cubley	Norbury	202	204
OHB	Hungry Bentley	Hungry Bentley	Norbury	50	51
OMM	Marston Montgomery	Marston Montgomery	Norbury	318	391
ONR	Norbury & Roston	Norbury & Roston	Norbury	238	241
ORO	Rodsley	Rodsley	Norbury	90	91
OSH	Somersal Herbert	Somersal Herbert	Norbury	70	71
OYE	Yeaveley	Yeaveley	Norbury	246	249
PMC	Matlock	Matlock - Chesterfield Road East Ward	Matlock St Giles	729	977
PMC part			Cromford & Matlock Bath	182	244
PMG	Matlock	Matlock - Matlock Green Ward	Matlock St Giles	815	863
PMH	Matlock	Matlock - Hurst Farm Ward	Matlock St Giles	1089	1102
PMR	Matlock	Matlock - Riber & Starkholmes Ward	Cromford & Matlock Bath	72	158
PMS	Matlock	Matlock - Riber & Starkholmes Ward	Matlock St Giles	590	597
PTA	Tansley	Tansley	Cromford & Matlock Bath	987	1045
QMA	Matlock	Matlock - Smedley Street	Matlock All Saints	1495	1513
QMB	Matlock	Matlock - Matlock Bank & Sheriff Fields	Matlock All Saints	1598	1754
QMC	Matlock	Matlock - North Of Jackson Road Ward	Matlock All Saints	1143	1182
QMC part			Cromford & Matlock Bath	181	158
RBO	Bonsall	Bonsall	Bonsall & Winster	659	667
RCR	Cromford	Cromford	Cromford & Matlock Bath	1200	1214
RMB	Matlock Bath	Matlock Bath	Cromford & Matlock Bath	583	590
SDH	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale South Ward	Darley Dale	667	690
SHE	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale South Ward	Matlock All Saints	1039	1052
SNG	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale North Ward	Darley Dale	1317	1333
SNW	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale North Ward	Darley Dale	1350	1553

SUH	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale South Ward	Matlock All Saints	372	376
TBP	Blackwell In The Peak	Blackwell In The Peak	Hartington & Taddington	29	29
TBR	Brushfield	Brushfield	Hartington & Taddington	14	14
TCH	Chelmorton	Chelmorton	Hartington & Taddington	267	270
TES	Hartington Middle Quarter	Hartington Middle Quarter	Hartington & Taddington	308	312
TFL	Flagg	Flagg	Hartington & Taddington	158	160
THA	Hartington Town Quarter	Hartington Town Quarter	Hartington & Taddington	269	272
TTA	Taddington	Taddington	Hartington & Taddington	345	349
VBI	Birchover	Birchover	Stanton	281	284
VNT	Northwood & Tinkersley	Northwood & Tinkersley	Stanton	513	519
VRO	Rowsley	Rowsley	Chatsworth	388	393
VSL	Stanton-In-Peak	Stanton-In-Peak - Stanton Lees Ward	Stanton	47	48
VSP	Stanton-In-Peak	Stanton-In-Peak - Stanton In Peak Ward	Stanton	205	207
VSW	Stanton-In-Peak	Stanton-In-Peak - Warren Carr Ward	Stanton	30	30
WEL	Elton	Elton	Bonsall & Winster	323	327
WGR	Gratton	Gratton	Bonsall & Winster	14	14
WSD	South Darley	South Darley - South Darley Ward	Stanton	306	310
WSO	South Darley	South Darley - Oker & Snitterton Ward	Stanton	140	142
WSW	South Darley	South Darley - Wensley Ward	Stanton	130	132
WWI	Winster	Winster	Bonsall & Winster	452	457
XTI	Tideswell	Tideswell	Tideswell	1371	1387
XWH	Wheston	Wheston	Tideswell	28	28
YHA	Harthill	Harthill	Bonsall & Winster	45	46
YMO	Monyash	Monyash	Bakewell	265	268
YMS	Middleton & Smerrill	Middleton & Smerrill	Bonsall & Winster	118	119
YYO	Youlgreave	Youlgreave	Bakewell	865	875
ZMI	Middleton	Middleton	Wirksworth & Carsington Wat	729	738
ZWB	Wirksworth	Wirksworth - Wirksworth Bolehill Ward	Wirksworth & Carsington Wat	621	628
ZWT	Wirksworth	Wirksworth - Wirksworth Town Ward	Wirksworth & Carsington Wat	3495	3603

Electorate 2026	Electors per cflr 2026	Variance 2026
3,559	1,780	-1%
5,377	1,792	-1%
4,894	1,631	-10%
1,680	1,680	-7%
1,669	1,669	-8%
1,950	1,950	8%
1,839	1,839	2%
1,799	1,799	0%
3,409	1,705	-6%
3,576	1,788	-1%
1,948	1,948	8%
1,754	1,754	-3%
3,621	1,811	0%
1,675	1,675	-7%
5,877	1,959	8%
3,539	1,770	-2%
1,886	1,886	4%
1,672	1,672	-7%
1,916	1,916	6%
1,912	1,912	6%
5,840	1,947	8%
61,392		

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Average electorate per cllr:	1,709	1,806

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AAB	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - Belle Vue		Ashbourne North	1505	1566	Ashbourne North	2	3,085	1,543	-10%	3,165
AAP	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - Parkside		Ashbourne North	1041	1054	Ashbourne South	3	5,052	1,684	-1%	5,771
AOU	Offcote & Underwood	Offcote & Underwood		Ashbourne North	415	420	Bakewell	2	3,441	1,721	1%	3,538
IMA	Mappleton	Mappleton		Ashbourne North	124	125	Bradwell	1	1,610	1,610	-6%	1,628
BAH	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - Hilltop Ward		Ashbourne South	2637	3143	Brailsford	1	1,539	1,539	-10%	1,950
BAS	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - St Oswald		Ashbourne South	1556	1727	Calver & Longstone	1	1,817	1,817	6%	1,839
GCC	Clifton & Compton	Clifton & Compton		Ashbourne South	417	422	Chatsworth	1	1,777	1,777	4%	1,799
GEW	Edlaston & Wyaston	Edlaston & Wyaston		Ashbourne South	156	190	Darley Dale	3	5,258	1,753	3%	5,523
GOS	Osmaston	Osmaston		Ashbourne South	121	122	Dovedale & Brassington	1	1,888	1,888	10%	1,912
GYE	Yeldersley	Yeldersley		Ashbourne South	165	167	Doveridge & Sudbury	1	1,634	1,634	-4%	1,948
HAW	Ashford In The Water	Ashford In The Water		Bakewell	375	380	Hartington	1	1,734	1,734	1%	1,754
HBM	Bakewell	Bakewell		Bakewell	819	884	Hathersage	2	3,619	1,810	6%	3,662
HBT	Bakewell	Bakewell		Bakewell	2186	2212	Hulland	1	1,353	1,353	-21%	1,571
HSB	Sheldon	Sheldon		Bakewell	61	62	Masson	2	3,221	1,611	-6%	3,259
KBR	Bradwell	Bradwell		Bradwell	1153	1167	Matlock East & Tansley	2	3,553	1,777	4%	3,765
KFO	Foolow	Foolow		Bradwell	111	112	Matlock West	3	5,328	1,776	4%	5,828
KGH	Great Hucklow	Great Hucklow		Bradwell	117	118	Norbury	1	1,795	1,795	5%	1,886
KGR	Grindlow	Grindlow		Bradwell	31	31	Tideswell	1	1,894	1,894	11%	1,916
KHA	Hazlebadge	Hazlebadge		Bradwell	20	20	Wirksworth & Carsington	3	5,078	1,693	-1%	5,206
KLH	Little Hucklow	Little Hucklow		Bradwell	73	74	Youlgrave	2	3,432	1,716	0%	3,472
NWA	Wardlow	Wardlow		Bradwell	105	106						
DBR	Brailsford	Brailsford		Brailsford	988	1392						
DHO	Hollington	Hollington		Brailsford	182	184						
DLO	Longford	Longford		Brailsford	303	307						
DME	Mercaston	Mercaston		Brailsford	66	67						
FCA	Calver	Calver		Calver & Longstone	573	580						
FCU	Curbar	Curbar		Calver & Longstone	340	344						
FFR	Froggatt	Froggatt		Calver & Longstone	170	172						
NGL	Great Longstone	Great Longstone		Calver & Longstone	576	583						
NHA	Hassop	Hassop		Calver & Longstone	58	59						
NMH	Little Longstone	Little Longstone		Calver & Longstone	76	77						
NRO	Rowland	Rowland		Calver & Longstone	24	24						
CBB	Baslow & Bubnell	Baslow & Bubnell		Chatsworth	1013	1025						
CBE	Beeley	Beeley		Chatsworth	125	127						
CCH	Chatsworth	Chatsworth		Chatsworth	13	13						
CED	Edensor	Edensor		Chatsworth	126	128						
CPI	Pilsley	Pilsley		Chatsworth	112	113						
VRO	Rowsley	Rowsley		Chatsworth	388	393						
SDH	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale South Ward		Darley Dale	667	690						
SHE	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale South Ward		Darley Dale	1039	1052						
SNG	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale North Ward		Darley Dale	1317	1333						
SNW	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale North Ward		Darley Dale	1350	1553						
SUH	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale South Ward		Darley Dale	372	376						
VNT	Northwood & Tinkersley	Northwood & Tinkersley		Darley Dale	513	519						
IEA	Eaton & Alsop	Eaton & Alsop		Dovedale & Brassington	74	75						
IFB	Fenny Bentley	Fenny Bentley		Dovedale & Brassington	138	140						
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IPA	Parwich	Parwich	Dovedale & Brassington	381	386
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MBA	Ballidon	Ballidon	Dovedale & Brassington	55	56
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MBS	Brassington	Brassington	Dovedale & Brassington	471	477
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EDO	Doveridge	Doveridge	Doveridge & Sudbury	1288	1598
ESU	Sudbury	Sudbury	Doveridge & Sudbury	346	350
IBI	Hartington Nether Quarter	Hartington Nether Quarter	Hartington	344	348
TBP	Blackwell In The Peak	Blackwell In The Peak	Hartington	29	29
TBR	Brushfield	Brushfield	Hartington	14	14
TCH	Chelmorton	Chelmorton	Hartington	267	270
TES	Hartington Middle Quarter	Hartington Middle Quarter	Hartington	308	312
TFL	Flagg	Flagg	Hartington	158	160
THA	Hartington Town Quarter	Hartington Town Quarter	Hartington	269	272
TTA	Taddington	Taddington	Hartington	345	349
FSM	Stoney Middleton	Stoney Middleton	Hathersage	411	416
JAB	Abney & Abney Grange	Abney & Abney Grange	Hathersage	41	41
JEY	Eyam	Eyam	Hathersage	795	805
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JHA	Hathersage	Hathersage	Hathersage	1572	1591
JHI	Highlow	Highlow	Hathersage	23	23
JOF	Offerton	Offerton	Hathersage	12	12
GBR	Bradley	Bradley	Hulland	262	265
LBI	Biggin	Biggin	Hulland	98	241
LHU	Hulland	Hulland	Hulland	171	173
LHW	Hulland Ward	Hulland Ward	Hulland	822	892
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PMH	Matlock	Matlock - Hurst Farm Ward	Matlock East & Tansley	1089	1102
PMR	Matlock	Matlock - Riber & Starkholmes Ward	Matlock East & Tansley	72	158
PMS	Matlock	Matlock - Riber & Starkholmes Ward	Matlock East & Tansley	590	597
PTA	Tansley	Tansley	Matlock East & Tansley	987	1045
PMC	Matlock	Matlock - Chesterfield Road East Ward	Matlock West	911	1221
QMA	Matlock	Matlock - Smedley Street	Matlock West	1495	1513
QMB	Matlock	Matlock - Matlock Bank & Sheriff Fields	Matlock West	1598	1754
QMC	Matlock	Matlock - North Of Jackson Road Ward	Matlock West	1324	1340
GSH	Shirley	Shirley	Norbury	205	207
GSN	Snelston	Snelston	Norbury	158	160
OAL	Alkmonton	Alkmonton	Norbury	59	60
OBO	Boylestone	Boylestone	Norbury	159	161
OCU	Cubley	Cubley	Norbury	202	204
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BAS part		Ashbourne - Compton		Ashbourne North	297	330	Calver & Longstone	1	1,817	1,817	6%	1,839
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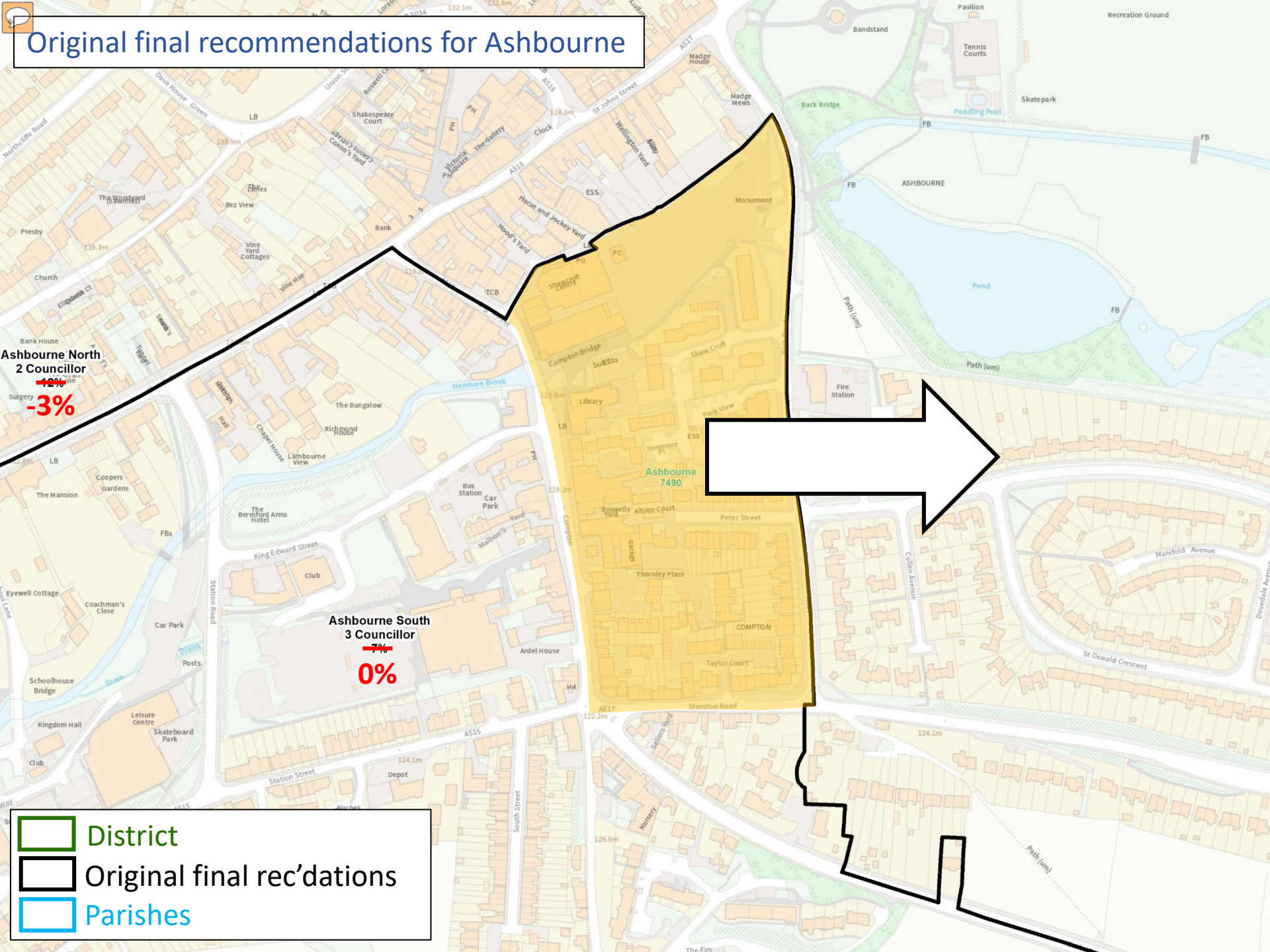
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Number of councillors:	34	34
Overall electorate:	58,108	61,392
Average electorate per cllr:	1,709	1,806

Polling district	Parish	Parish ward	Grouped parish council	Existing ward	Electorate 2020	Electorate 2026	Name of ward	Cllrs per ward	Electorate 2020	Electors per Cllr 2020	Variance 2020	Electorate 2026
AAB	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - Belle Vue		Ashbourne North	1505	1566	Ashbourne North	2	3,450	1,725	1%	3,534
AAP	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - Parkside		Ashbourne North	1041	1054	Ashbourne South	3	5,052	1,684	-1%	5,771
AOU	Offcote & Underwood	Offcote & Underwood		Ashbourne North	415	420	Bakewell	2	3,652	1,826	7%	3,751
BAH	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - Hilltop Ward		Ashbourne South	2637	3143	Bonsall & Winstar	1	1,934	1,934	13%	1,957
BAS	Ashbourne	Ashbourne - St Oswald		Ashbourne South	1556	1727	Bradwell	1	1,610	1,610	-6%	1,628
CBB	Baslow & Bubnell	Baslow & Bubnell		Chatsworth	1013	1025	Brailsford	1	1,539	1,539	-10%	1,950
CBE	Beeley	Beeley		Chatsworth	125	127	Calver & Longstone	1	1,817	1,817	6%	1,839
CCH	Chatsworth	Chatsworth		Chatsworth	13	13	Chatsworth	1	1,777	1,777	4%	1,799
CED	Edensor	Edensor		Chatsworth	126	128	Cromford & Matlock Bath	1	1,783	1,783	4%	1,804
CPI	Pilsley	Pilsley		Chatsworth	112	113	Darley Dale	3	4,858	1,619	-5%	5,118
DBR	Brailsford	Brailsford		Brailsford	988	1392	Brassington	1	1,888	1,888	10%	1,912
DHO	Hollington	Hollington		Brailsford	182	184	Doveridge & Sudbury	1	1,634	1,634	-4%	1,948
DLO	Longford	Longford		Brailsford	303	307	Hartington & Taddington	1	1,734	1,734	1%	1,754
DME	Mercaston	Mercaston		Brailsford	66	67	Hathersage	2	3,619	1,810	6%	3,662
EDO	Doveridge	Doveridge		Doveridge & Sudbury	1288	1598	Hulland	1	1,690	1,690	-1%	1,913
ESU	Sudbury	Sudbury		Doveridge & Sudbury	346	350	Matlock East & Tansley	3	4,645	1,548	-9%	5,144
FCA	Calver	Calver		Calver & Longstone	573	580	Matlock West	3	4,776	1,592	-7%	4,996
FCU	Curbar	Curbar		Calver & Longstone	340	344	Norbury	1	1,795	1,795	5%	1,886
FFR	Froggatt	Froggatt		Calver & Longstone	170	172	Tideswell	1	1,894	1,894	11%	1,916
FSM	Stoney Middleton	Stoney Middleton		Hathersage	411	416	Wirksworth	3	5,105	1,702	0%	5,233
GBR	Bradley	Bradley		Ashbourne North	262	265	Youlgrave	1	1,856	1,856	9%	1,877
GCC	Clifton & Compton	Clifton & Compton		Ashbourne South	417	422						
GEW	Edlaston & Wyaston	Edlaston & Wyaston		Ashbourne South	156	190						
GOS	Osmaston	Osmaston		Ashbourne South	121	122						
GSH	Shirley	Shirley		Norbury	205	207						
GSN	Snelston	Snelston		Norbury	158	160						
GYE	Yeldersley	Yeldersley		Ashbourne South	165	167						
HAW	Ashford In The Water	Ashford In The Water		Bakewell	375	380						
HBM	Bakewell	Bakewell		Bakewell	819	884						
HBT	Bakewell	Bakewell		Bakewell	2186	2212						
HNH	Nether Haddon	Nether Haddon		Bakewell	8	8						
HOH	Over Haddon	Over Haddon		Bakewell	203	205						
HSH	Sheldon	Sheldon		Bakewell	61	62						
IBI	Hartington Nether Quarter	Hartington Nether Quarter		Hartington & Taddington	344	348						
IEA	Eaton & Alsop	Eaton & Alsop		Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	74	75						
IFB	Fenny Bentley	Fenny Bentley		Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	138	140						
ILH	Tissington & Lea Hall	Tissington & Lea Hall		Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	7	7						
IMA	Mappleton	Mappleton		Ashbourne North	124	125						
ING	Newton Grange	Newton Grange		Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	39	39						
IPA	Parwich	Parwich		Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	381	386						
ITH	Thorpe	Thorpe		Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	137	139						
ITI	Tissington & Lea Hall	Tissington & Lea Hall		Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	128	130						
JAB	Abney & Abney Grange	Abney & Abney Grange		Hathersage	41	41						
JEY	Eyam	Eyam		Hathersage	795	805						
JGR	Grindleford	Grindleford		Hathersage	765	774						
JHA	Hathersage	Hathersage		Hathersage	1572	1591						
JHI	Highlow	Highlow		Hathersage	23	23						
JOF	Offerton	Offerton		Hathersage	12	12						
KBR	Bradwell	Bradwell		Bradwell	1153	1167						
KFO	Foolow	Foolow		Bradwell	111	112						
KGH	Great Hucklow	Great Hucklow		Bradwell	117	118						
KGR	Grindlow	Grindlow		Bradwell	31	31						

KHA	Hazlebadge	Hazlebadge	Bradwell	20	20
KLH	Little Hucklow	Little Hucklow	Bradwell	73	74
LBI	Biggin	Biggin	Hulland	98	241
LCA	Callow	Callow	Wirksworth	42	43
LHU	Hulland	Hulland	Hulland	171	173
LHW	Hulland Ward	Hulland Ward	Hulland	822	892
LKI	Kirk Ireton	Kirk Ireton	Hulland	378	383
MAL	Aldwark	Aldwark	Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	34	34
MAT	Atlow	Atlow	Ashbourne North	103	104
MBA	Ballidon	Ballidon	Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	55	56
MBD	Bradbourne	Bradbourne	Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	97	98
MBS	Brassington	Brassington	Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	471	477
MCA	Carsington	Carsington	Wirksworth	129	131
MHG	Hognaston	Hognaston	Hulland	221	224
MHP	Hopton	Hopton	Wirksworth	89	90
MIB	Ible	Ible	Bonsall & Winster	36	36
MIG	Ivonbrook Grange	Ivonbrook Grange	Bonsall & Winster	14	14
MKN	Kniveton	Kniveton	Dovedale, Parwich & Brassing	327	331
NGL	Great Longstone	Great Longstone	Calver & Longstone	576	583
NHA	Hassop	Hassop	Calver & Longstone	58	59
NLC	Litton	Litton	Tideswell	148	150
NLL	Litton	Litton	Tideswell	286	289
NLM	Litton	Litton	Tideswell	61	62
NMH	Little Longstone	Little Longstone	Calver & Longstone	76	77
NRO	Rowland	Rowland	Calver & Longstone	24	24
NWA	Wardlow	Wardlow	Bradwell	105	106
OAL	Alkmonton	Alkmonton	Norbury	59	60
OBO	Boylestone	Boylestone	Norbury	159	161
OCU	Cubley	Cubley	Norbury	202	204
OHB	Hungry Bentley	Hungry Bentley	Norbury	50	51
OMM	Marston Montgomery	Marston Montgomery	Norbury	318	391
ONR	Norbury & Roston	Norbury & Roston	Norbury	238	241
ORO	Rodsley	Rodsley	Norbury	90	91
OSH	Somersal Herbert	Somersal Herbert	Norbury	70	71
OYE	Yeaveley	Yeaveley	Norbury	246	249
PMC	Matlock	Matlock - Chesterfield Road East Ward	Matlock East & Tansley	911	1221
PMG	Matlock	Matlock - Matlock Green Ward	Matlock East & Tansley	815	863
PMH	Matlock	Matlock - Hurst Farm Ward	Matlock East & Tansley	1089	1102
PMR	Matlock	Matlock - Riber & Starkholmes Ward	Matlock East & Tansley	72	158
PMS	Matlock	Matlock - Riber & Starkholmes Ward	Matlock East & Tansley	590	597
PTA	Tansley	Tansley	Matlock East & Tansley	987	1045
QMA	Matlock	Matlock - Smedley Street	Matlock West	1495	1513
QMB	Matlock	Matlock - Matlock Bank & Sheriff Fields	Matlock West	1598	1754
QMC	Matlock	Matlock - North Of Jackson Road Ward	Matlock West	1143	1182
QMC part			Matlock East & Tansley	181	158
RBO	Bonsall	Bonsall	Bonsall & Winster	659	667
RCR	Cromford	Cromford	Cromford & Matlock Bath	1200	1214
RMB	Matlock Bath	Matlock Bath	Cromford & Matlock Bath	583	590
SDH	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale South Ward	Darley Dale	667	690
SHE	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale South Ward	Darley Dale	639	647
SHE part			Matlock West	400	405
SNG	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale North Ward	Darley Dale	1317	1333
SNW	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale North Ward	Darley Dale	1350	1553

SUH	Darley Dale	Darley Dale - Darley Dale South Ward	Darley Dale	372	376
TBP	Blackwell In The Peak	Blackwell In The Peak	Hartington & Taddington	29	29
TBR	Brushfield	Brushfield	Hartington & Taddington	14	14
TCH	Chelmorton	Chelmorton	Hartington & Taddington	267	270
TES	Hartington Middle Quarter	Hartington Middle Quarter	Hartington & Taddington	308	312
TFL	Flagg	Flagg	Hartington & Taddington	158	160
THA	Hartington Town Quarter	Hartington Town Quarter	Hartington & Taddington	269	272
TTA	Taddington	Taddington	Hartington & Taddington	345	349
VBI	Birchover	Birchover	Youlgrave	281	284
VNT	Northwood & Tinkersley	Northwood & Tinkersley	Darley Dale	513	519
VRO	Rowsley	Rowsley	Chatsworth	388	393
VSL	Stanton-In-Peak	Stanton-In-Peak - Stanton Lees Ward	Youlgrave	47	48
VSP	Stanton-In-Peak	Stanton-In-Peak - Stanton In Peak Ward	Youlgrave	205	207
VSW	Stanton-In-Peak	Stanton-In-Peak - Warren Carr Ward	Youlgrave	30	30
WEL	Elton	Elton	Bonsall & Winster	323	327
WGR	Gratton	Gratton	Bonsall & Winster	14	14
WSD	South Darley	South Darley - South Darley Ward	Bonsall & Winster	306	310
WSO	South Darley	South Darley - Oker & Snitterton Ward	Matlock West	140	142
WSW	South Darley	South Darley - Wensley Ward	Bonsall & Winster	130	132
WWI	Winster	Winster	Bonsall & Winster	452	457
XTI	Tideswell	Tideswell	Tideswell	1371	1387
XWH	Wheston	Wheston	Tideswell	28	28
YHA	Harthill	Harthill	Youlgrave	45	46
YMO	Monyash	Monyash	Youlgrave	265	268
YMS	Middleton & Smerrill	Middleton & Smerrill	Youlgrave	118	119
YYO	Youlgrave	Youlgrave	Youlgrave	865	875
ZMI	Middleton	Middleton	Wirksworth	729	738
ZWB	Wirksworth	Wirksworth - Wirksworth Bolehill Ward	Wirksworth	621	628
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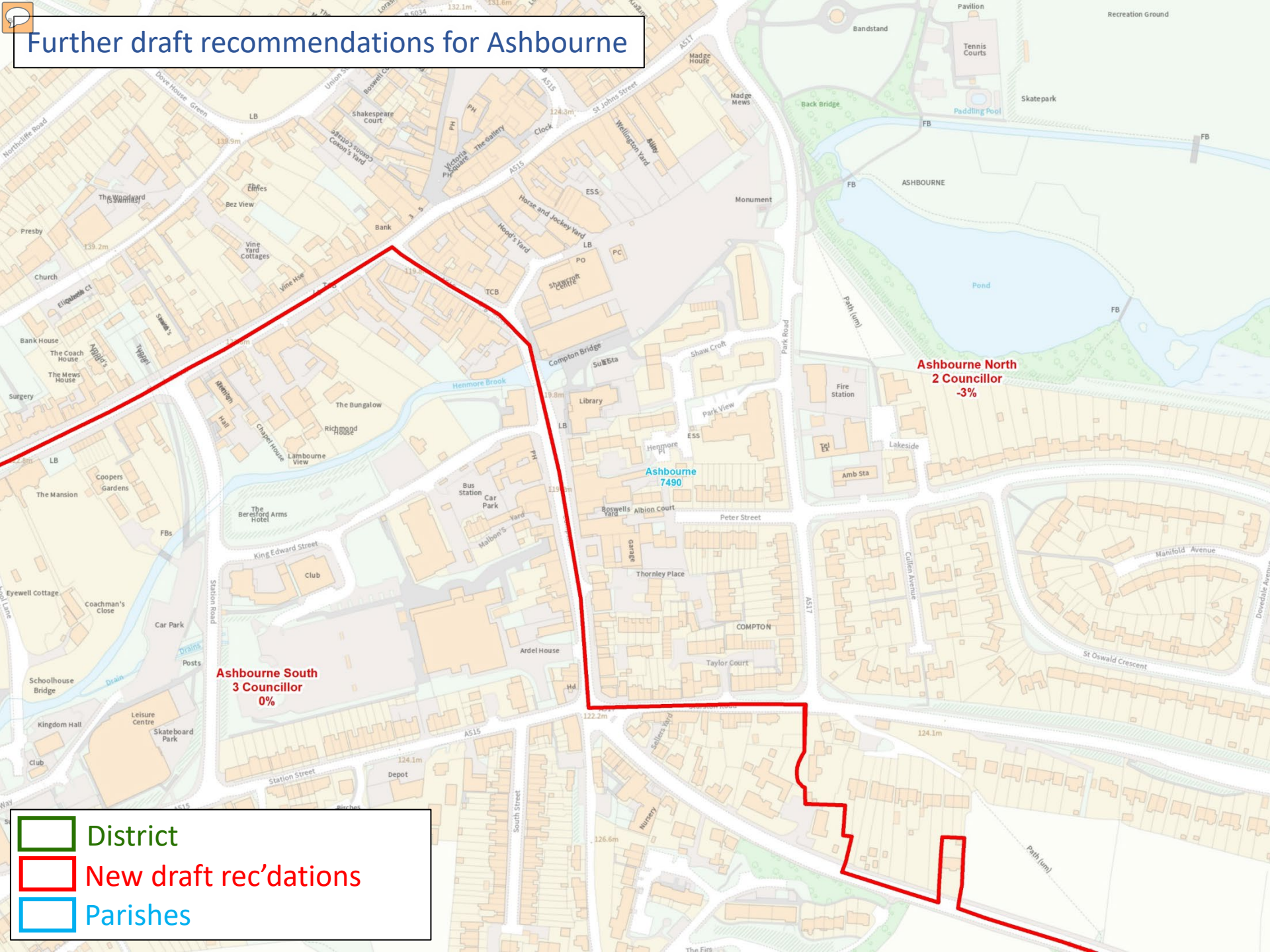
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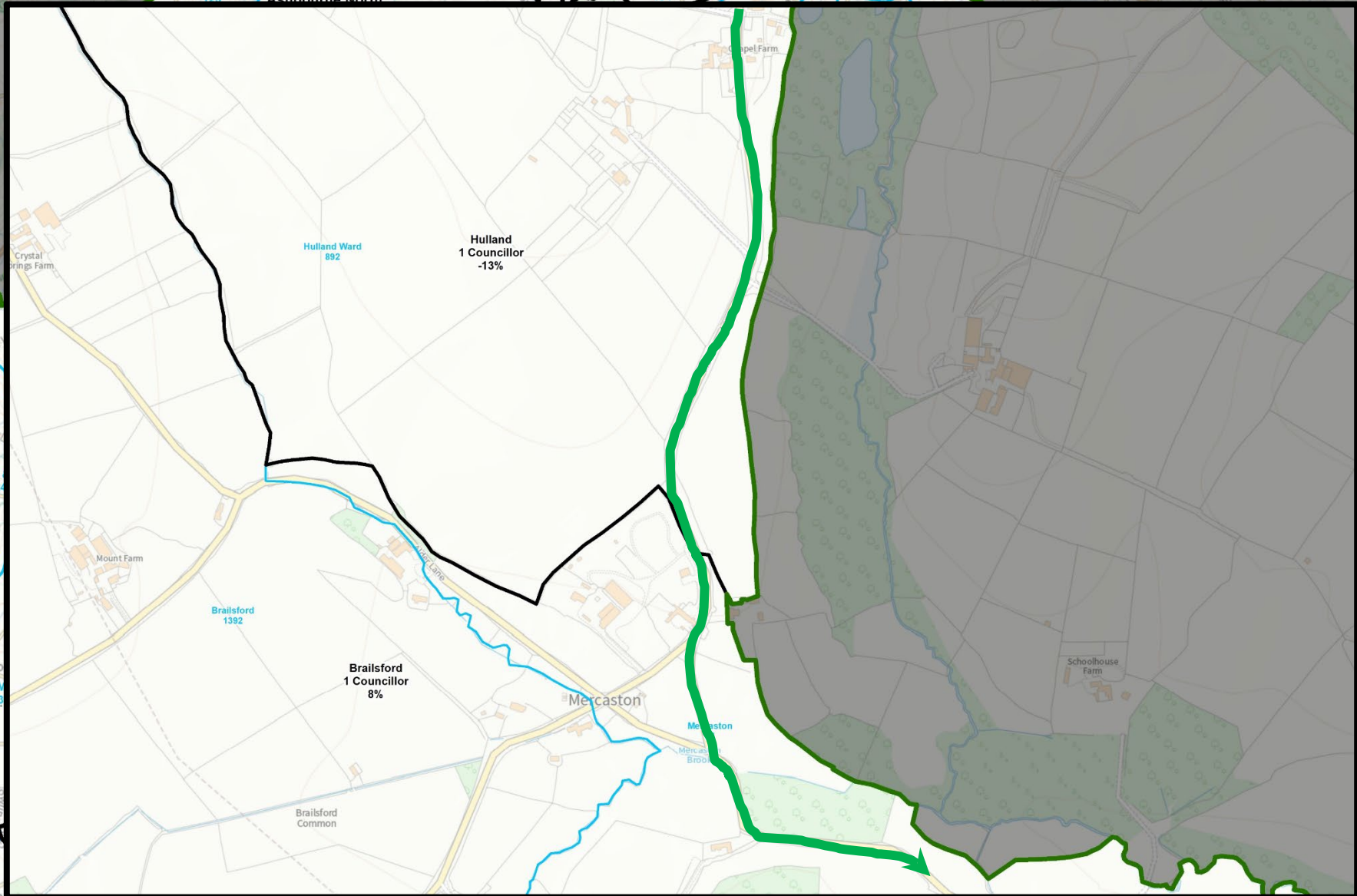
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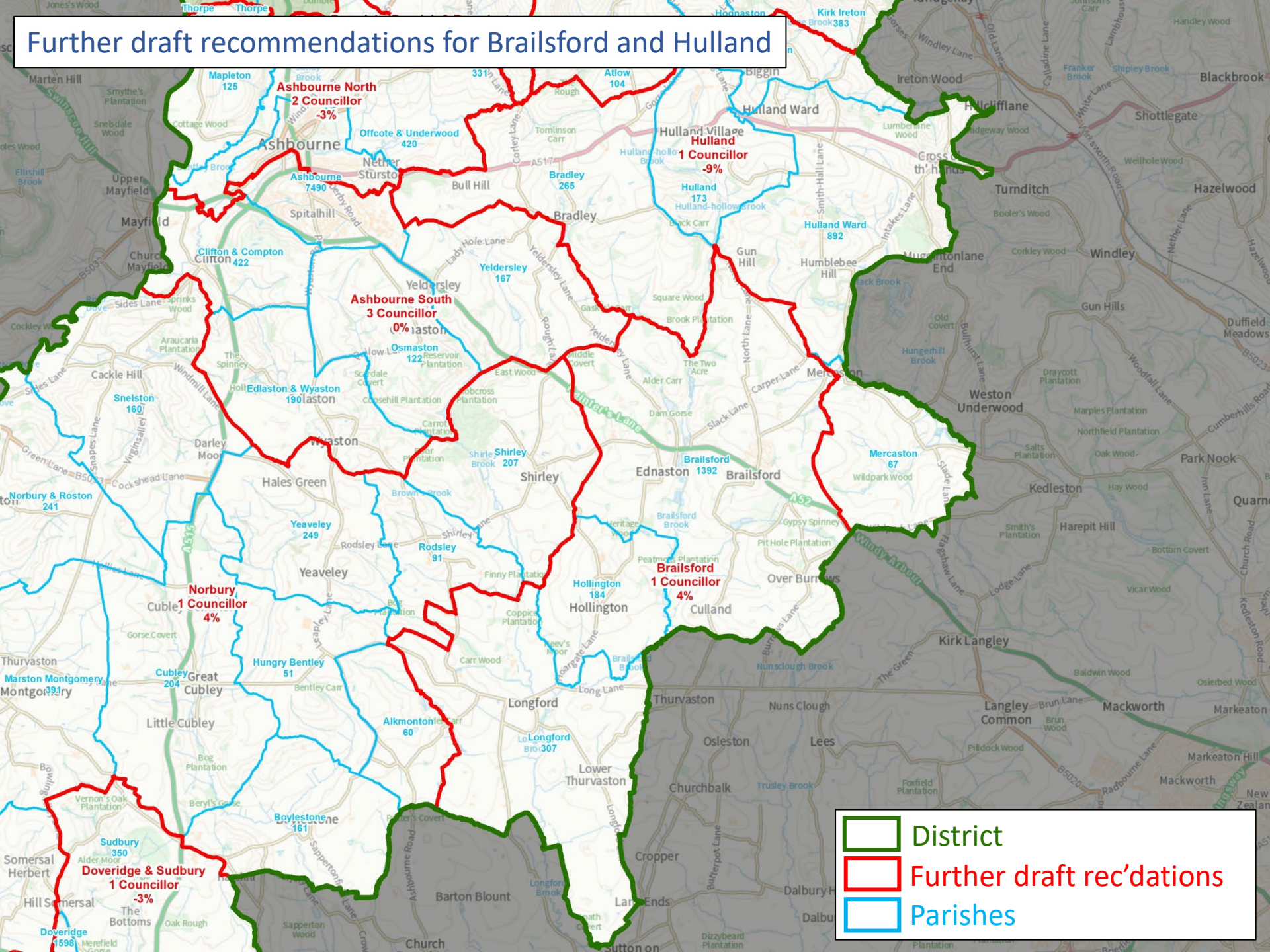


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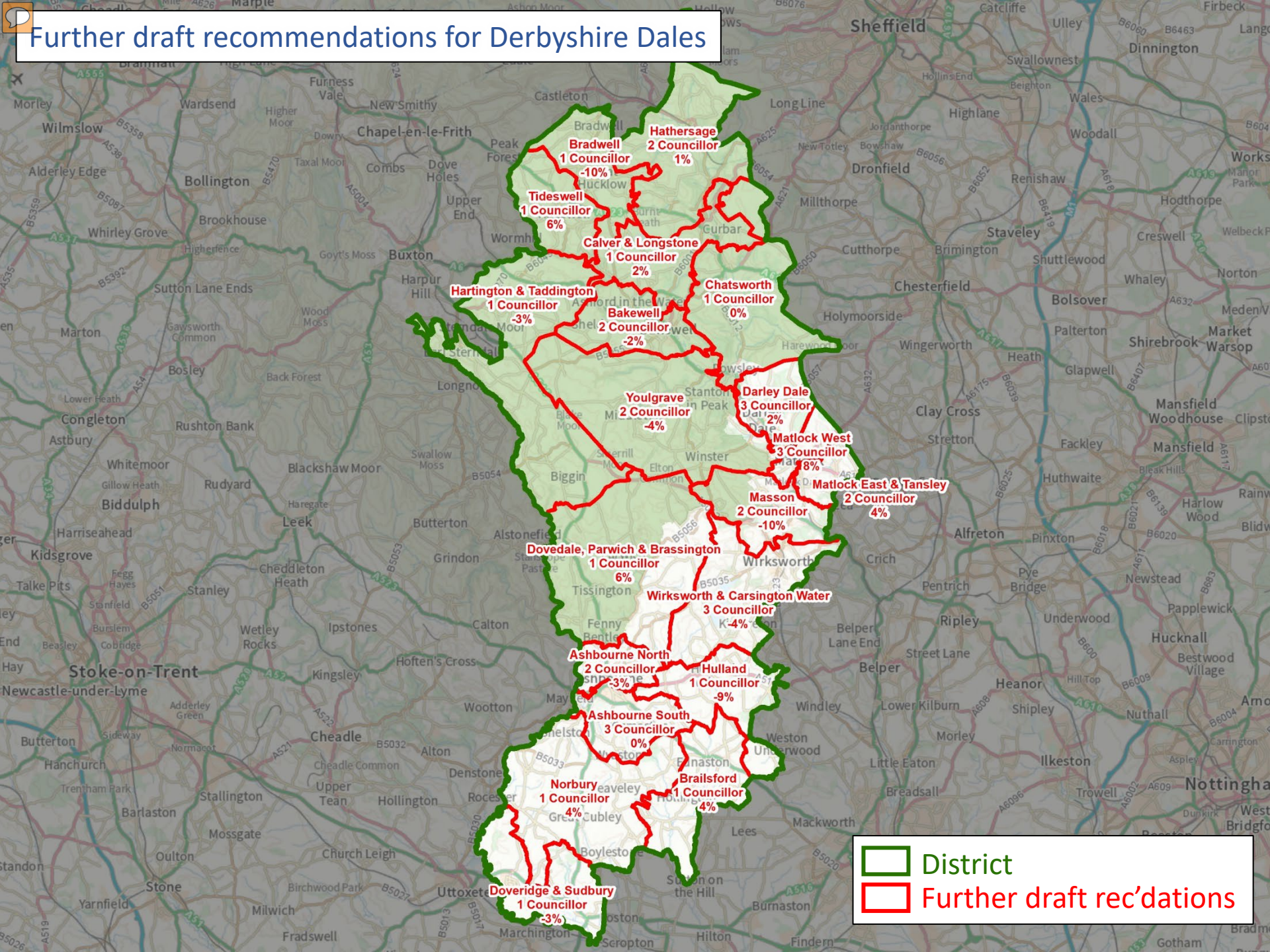


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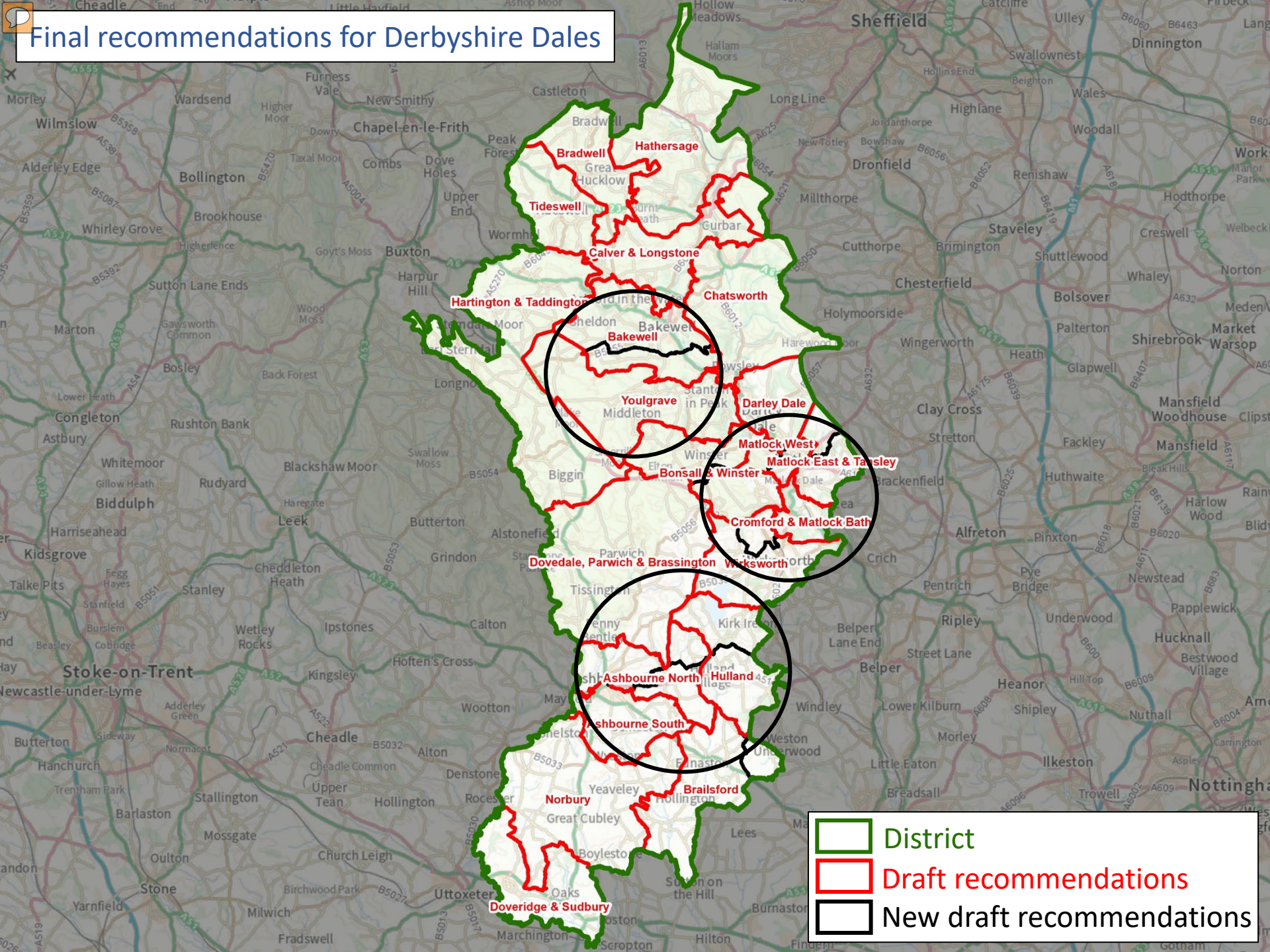
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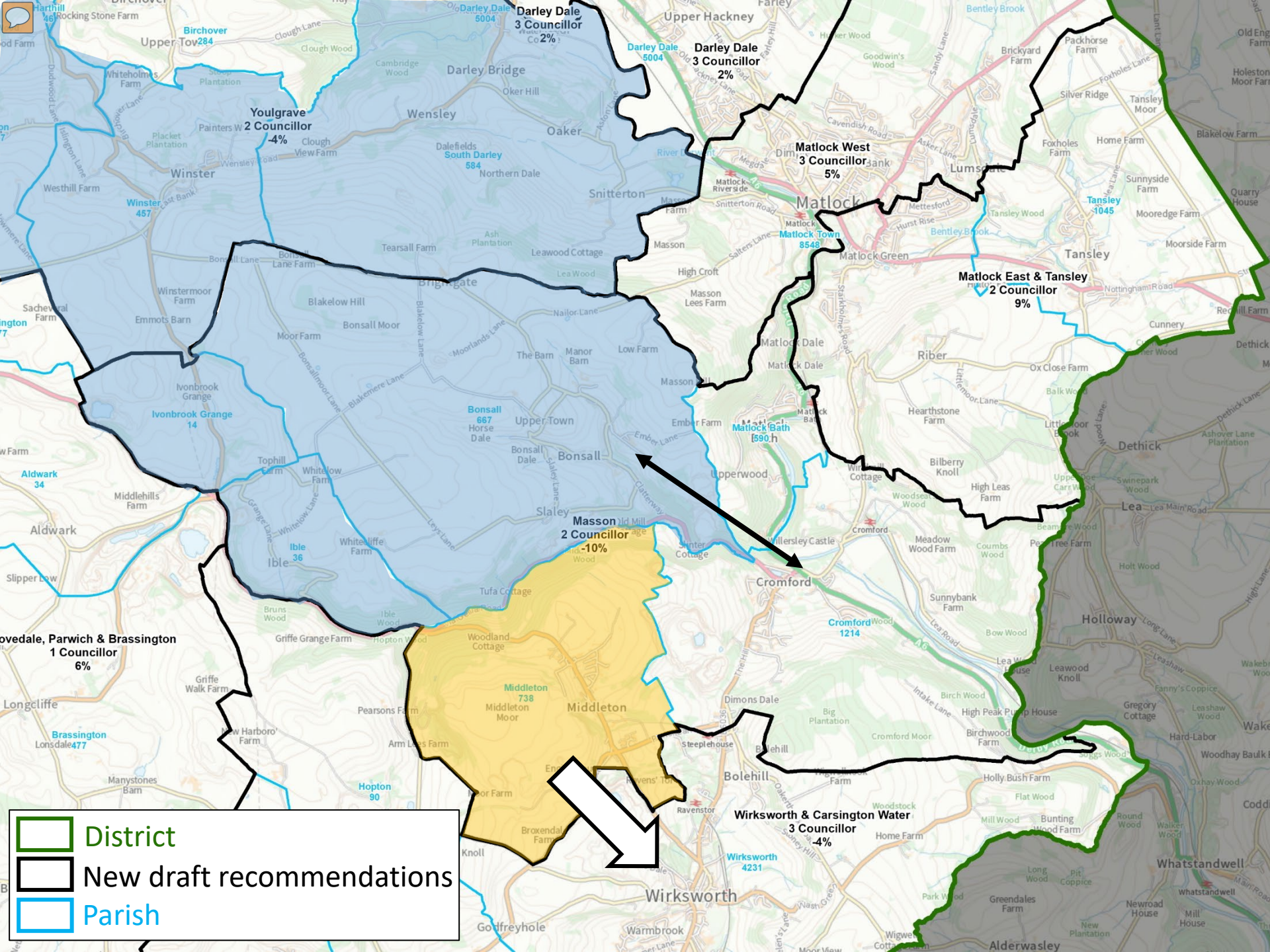
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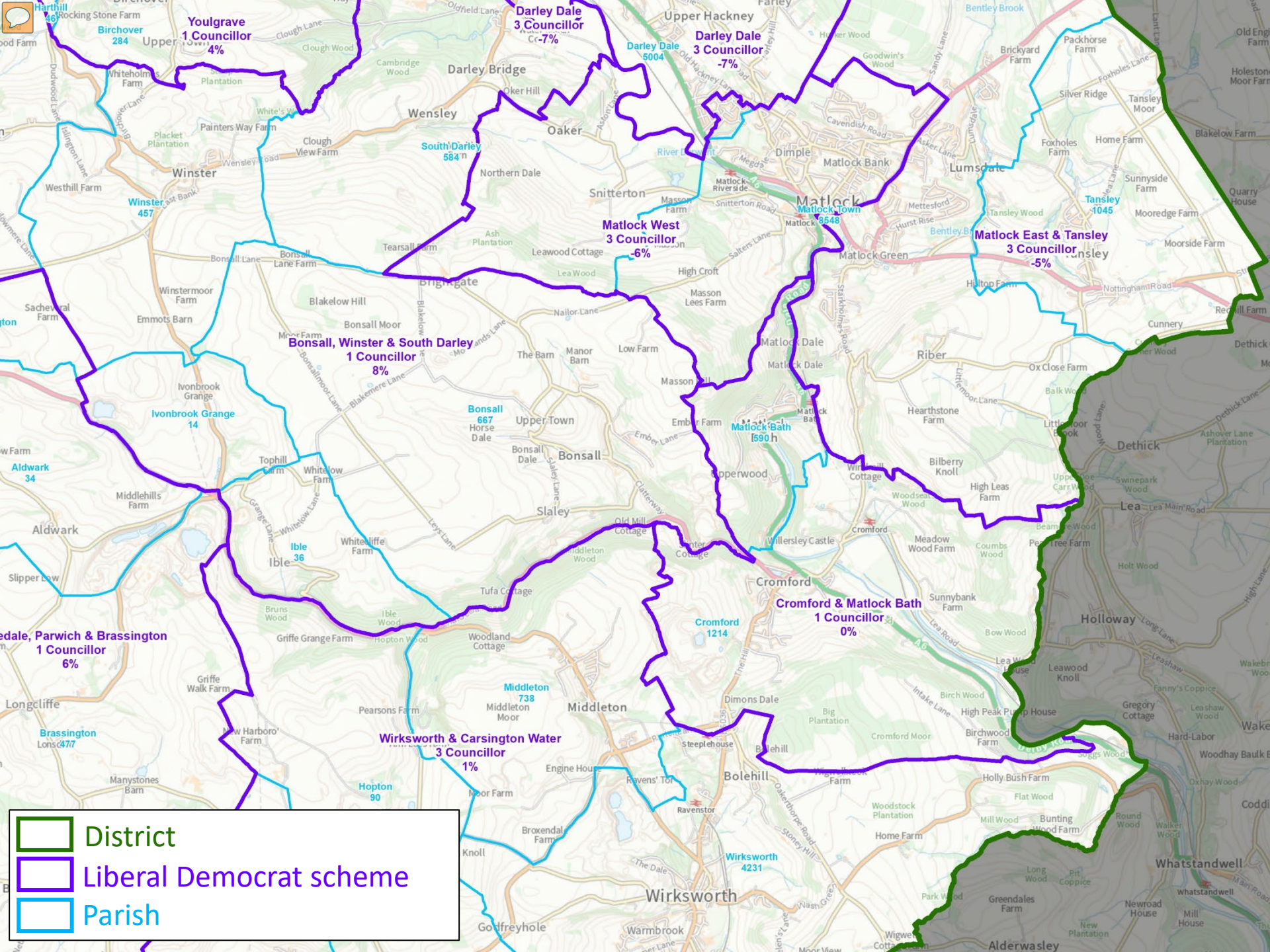
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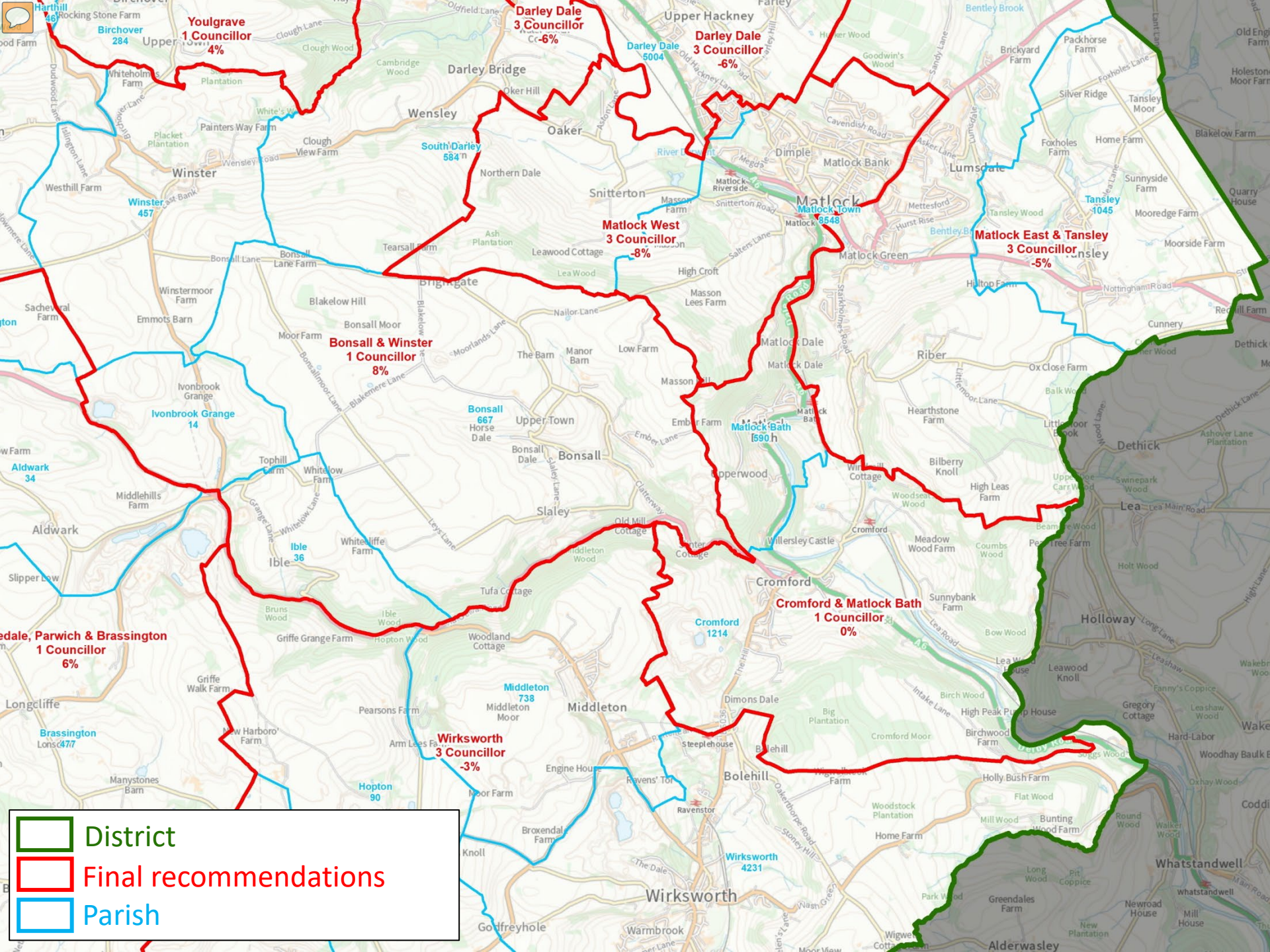




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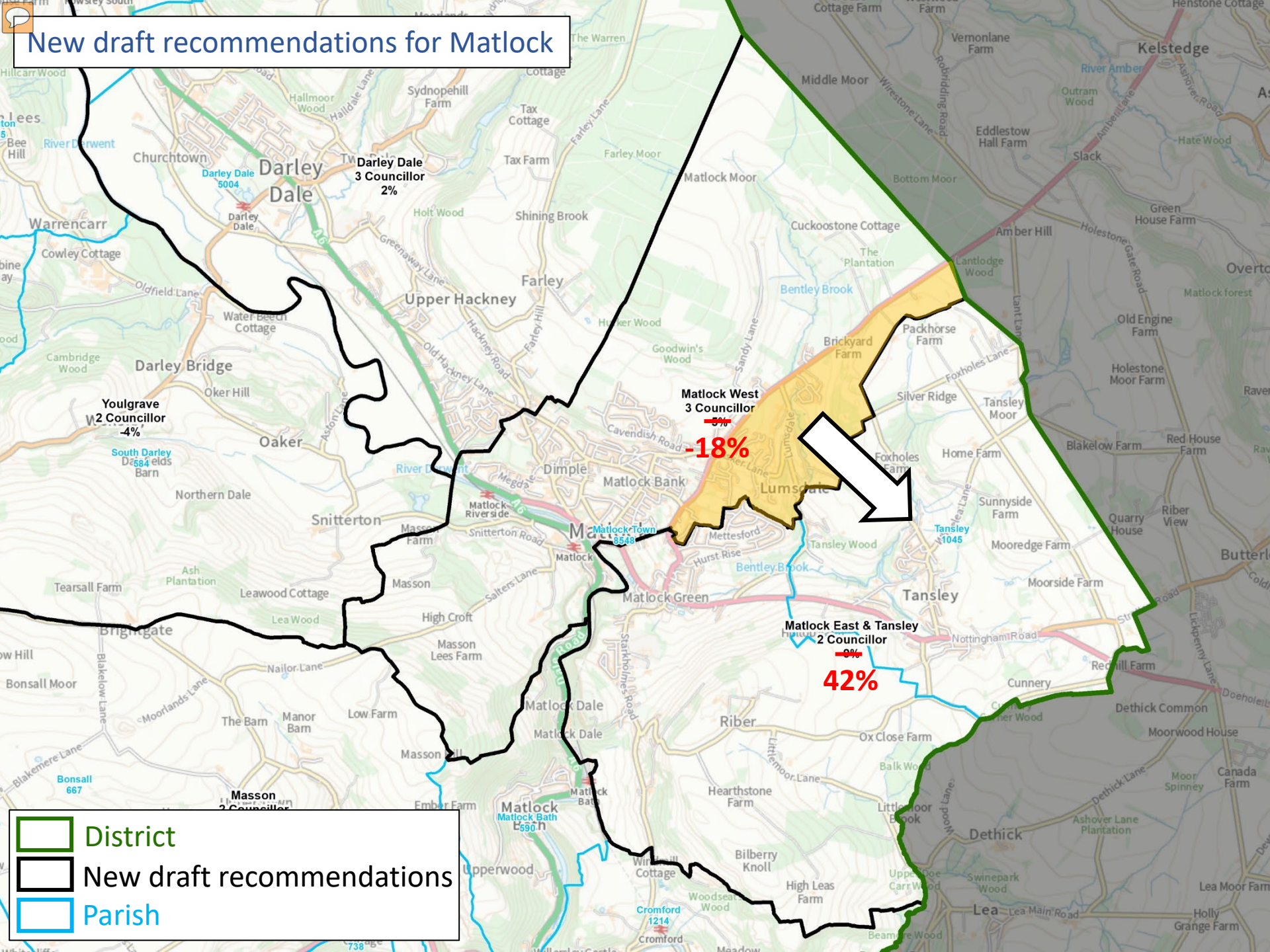





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