Redditch Borough Council Electoral Review - Ward Patterning Stage

Consultation Period: 22 Feb 22 - 31 May 22

Boundary Commission Recommendations

The LGBCE is recommending that 27 councillors should be elected to the council in future. They are now inviting proposals from the council, interested parties and members of the public on a pattern of electoral wards based on that number of councillors.

A public consultation inviting proposals will run from 22 February 2022 to 31 May 2022

In drawing up a pattern of electoral wards, we seek to:

- Make sure that, within an authority, each councillor represents a similar number of electors
- Reflect the electoral cycle so that each ward is represented by three councillors
- Create boundaries that are appropriate, and reflect community ties and identities
- Deliver reviews informed by local needs, views and circumstances

The approach to the ward patterning has been to look at natural existing boundaries as well as the current polling districts in order to get a sense of any community ties. Whilst every opportunity to not cross over any large boundaries such as highways has been taken, it is important to note that the highway infrastructure in Redditch means that this has not always been possible.

New Boundary Target Information

With the LGBCE recommendations in mind the council submission will have the following targets:

- The submission will divide the borough into 9 electoral wards
- Each electoral ward will be represented by 3 councillors
- Electorate as of 01 Feb 2022 is 63402
- We have also included future developments which include an additional 1507 Electors
- Target Electorate per councillor is 2404
- Each Boundary electorate target will be 7212. The submission should ensure that each boundary electorate is as close as possible to this figure for each electoral ward.

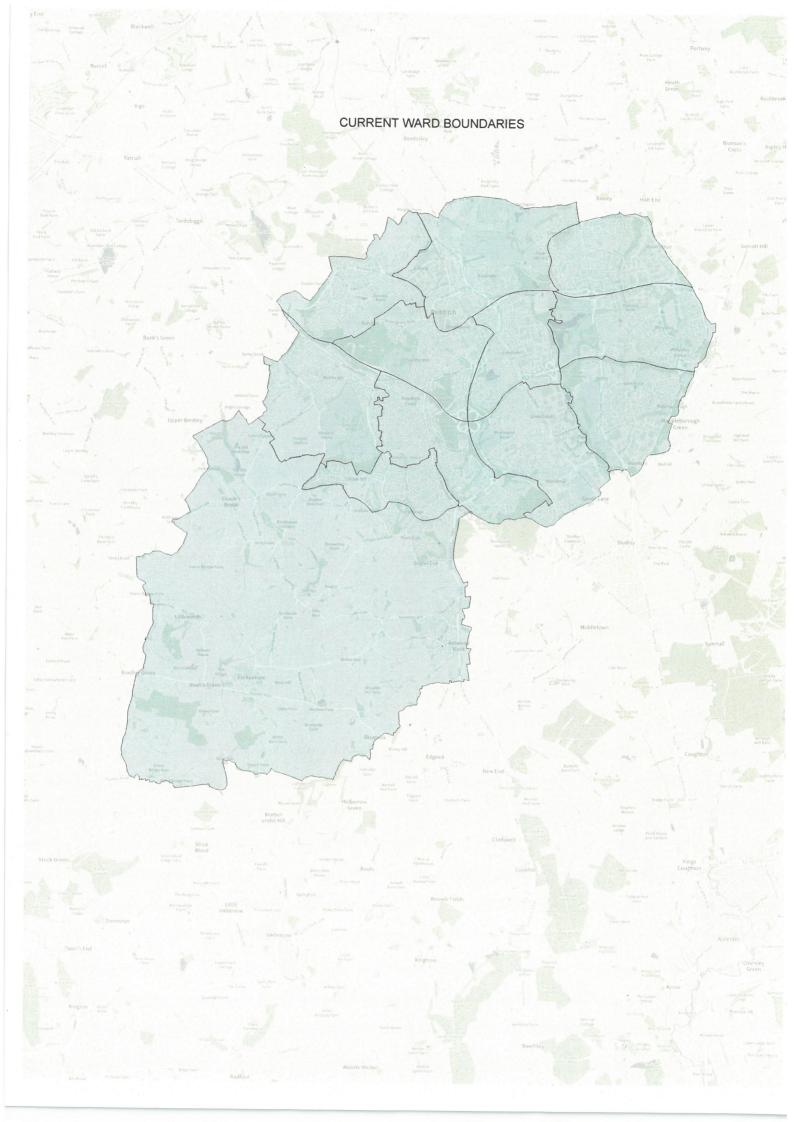
Overview of Changes in Scenario 1

 Astwood Bank and Feckenham Ward has taken on The Callow Hill/Southern part of Crabbs Cross ward

- West Ward has taken in a large portion of Headless Cross
- Headless Cross And Oakenshaw has lost the Healdess Cross section to West Ward and taken on the Crabs Cross section of Crabbs Cross ward and the Throckmorton polling district of the Greenlands Ward
- The Woodrow Section of Greenlands has taken in the West of Matchborough Ward
- The East of Winyates ward has merged with the East of Matchborough Ward
- Lodge Park, the very West of Winyates and the Ipsley part of the Matchborough ward and Riverside of Abbey have been combined to make a new Lakeside ward
- Church Hill ward and the North of Abbey Ward have been combined to make a new North ward
- A small section of the Abbey ward has been added on to Batchley & Brockhill
- The inner Town section of Abbey ward has been added to the Central ward

PROPOSED NEW WARDS





CURRENT/PROPOSED WARD OVERLAY PURPLE = CURRENT WARD BOUNDARIES BLACK = PROPOSED WARD BOUNDAR

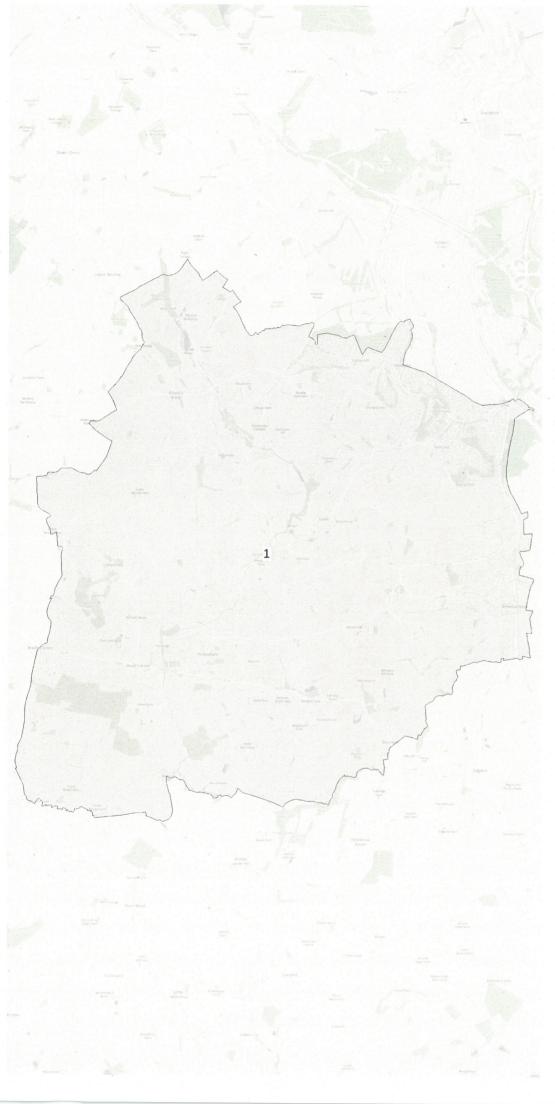


Headless Cross & Webheath

Councillors: 3
Property count: 4150
Total Electorate: 7305
Cllr electorate: 2435

Electorate Status: Balanced

Electorate Target:



Astwood Bank, Callow Hill & Feckenham

Councillors: 3

Property count: 3884

Total Electorate: 6981

Cllr electorate: 2327

Electorate Status: Balanced

Electorate Target:



North

Councillors: 3
Property count: 4407
Total Electorate: 7254

Cllr electorate: 2418
Electorate Status: Balanced

Electorate Target:



Crabbs Cross, Greenlands & Oakenshaw

Councillors: 3
Property count: 4469
Total Electorate: 7332
Cllr electorate: 2444
Electorate Status: Balanced

Electorate Target:



Central

Councillors: 3
Property count: 4302
Total Electorate: 7074

Cllr electorate: 2358

Electorate Status: Balanced

Electorate Target:



Batchley & Brockhill

Councillors: 3
Property count: 4247
Total Electorate: 7374
Cllr electorate: 2458

Electorate Status: Balanced

Electorate Target:



Matchborough West & Woodrow

Councillors: 3
Property count: 4091
Total Electorate: 7128

Cllr electorate: 2376

Electorate Status: Balanced

Electorate Target:



Lakeside

Councillors: 3
Property count: 4301
Total Electorate: 7320
Cllr electorate: 2440
Electorate Status: Balanced

Electorate Target:



Matchborough East & Winyates

Councillors: 3
Property count: 3843
Total Electorate: 7188
Cllr electorate: 2396
Electorate Status: Balanced

Electorate Target: