

Our Recommendations

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

Westmorland and Furness Council

Final Recommendations on the new electoral arrangements



Who we are

- The Local Government Boundary Commission for England is an independent body set up by Parliament.
- We are not part of government or any political party.
- We are accountable to Parliament through a committee of MPs chaired by the Speaker of the House of Commons.
- Our main role is to carry out electoral reviews of local authorities throughout England.

Why Westmorland and Furness?

- The Commission is carrying out an electoral review of Westmorland and Furness as it is a new local authority.

Our proposals

- Westmorland and Furness Council currently has 65 councillors. Based on the evidence we received, we recommend that 65 councillors should serve the council in the future.
- We believe our final recommendations meet our statutory criteria to:
 1. Deliver electoral equality for electors
 2. Reflect community interests and identities
 3. Promote effective and convenient local government

Electoral review

An electoral review examines and proposes new electoral arrangements for a local authority, including:

- The total number of councillors representing the council's electors.
- The names, number and boundaries of wards or electoral divisions.
- The number of councillors for each ward or division.

	Ward name	Number of cllrs	Electorate (2024)	Number of electors per cllr	Variance from average %	Electorate (2030)	Number of electors per cllr	Variance from average %
1	Alston Moor & Fellside	2	5,206	2,603	-4%	5,260	2,630	-8%
2	Appleby & Bongate	1	2,789	2,789	3%	3,006	3,006	6%
3	Arnside, Milnthorpe & Burton	3	8,478	2,826	4%	8,763	2,921	3%
4	Askam & Ireleth	1	2,723	2,723	0%	2,886	2,886	1%
5	Bowness & Lyth	1	2,854	2,854	5%	2,955	2,955	4%
6	Broughton & Coniston	1	3,026	3,026	11%	3,125	3,125	10%
7	Dalton in Furness	2	5,888	2,944	8%	6,271	3,136	10%
8	Grange & Cartmel Peninsula	3	8,658	2,886	6%	9,109	3,036	7%
9	Greenodd & Satterthwaite	1	2,643	2,643	-3%	2,690	2,690	-5%
10	Hawcoat & Newbarns	3	8,805	2,935	8%	9,014	3,005	6%
11	Hesket & Lazonby	2	5,552	2,776	2%	5,683	2,842	0%
12	Kendal Castle	2	5,701	2,851	5%	5,786	2,893	2%
13	Kendal Highgate	2	5,074	2,537	-7%	5,408	2,704	-5%
14	Kendal Nether	1	3,009	3,009	11%	3,056	3,056	7%
15	Kendal South & Oxenholme	2	4,954	2,477	-9%	5,317	2,659	-7%
16	Kendal Strickland & Fell	2	5,030	2,515	-7%	5,370	2,685	-6%
17	Kirkby Lonsdale	1	2,553	2,553	-6%	2,595	2,595	-9%
18	Kirkby Stephen & Brough	2	5,173	2,587	-5%	5,255	2,628	-8%
19	Levens	1	2,902	2,902	7%	2,953	2,953	4%
20	Long Marton & Kirkby Thore	1	2,568	2,568	-6%	2,704	2,704	-5%
21	Low Furness	1	2,804	2,804	3%	2,914	2,914	2%
22	Old Barrow & Hindpool	3	8,371	2,790	3%	9,145	3,048	7%
23	Ormsgill & Parkside	3	8,174	2,725	0%	8,305	2,768	-3%
24	Penrith North	2	5,101	2,551	-6%	6,069	3,035	7%
25	Penrith South	3	7,996	2,665	-2%	8,233	2,744	-4%
26	Risedale & Roosecote	3	8,226	2,742	1%	8,379	2,793	-2%
27	Sedburgh	1	2,557	2,557	-6%	2,744	2,744	-4%
28	Shap & Clifton	2	4,970	2,485	-9%	5,128	2,564	-10%
29	Tebay & Old Hutton	1	2,831	2,831	4%	2,871	2,871	1%
30	Ullswater & Dacre	1	2,775	2,775	2%	2,916	2,916	2%
31	Ulverston North	2	5,961	2,981	10%	6,242	3,121	10%
32	Ulverston South & Swarthmoor	2	4,686	2,343	-14%	5,552	2,776	-2%
33	Upper Kent	1	2,940	2,940	8%	3,003	3,003	6%
34	Walney Island	3	8,271	2,757	1%	8,339	2,780	-2%
35	Windermere, Ambleside & Grasmere	3	7,465	2,488	-8%	7,930	2,643	-7%
Totals		65	176,714	—	—	184,961	—	—
Averages		—	—	2,719	—	—	2,846	—

Summary of our recommendations

We have considered all the submissions we received during our consultation on our draft recommendations.

The final recommendations propose that Westmorland and Furness Council should have 65 councillors, the same as there are now.

Westmorland and Furness should have 35 wards, an increase of 2. The boundaries of 28 of the existing wards should change.

The 65 councillors should represent 9 three-councillor wards, 12 two-councillor wards and 14 single-councillor wards across the Authority.

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

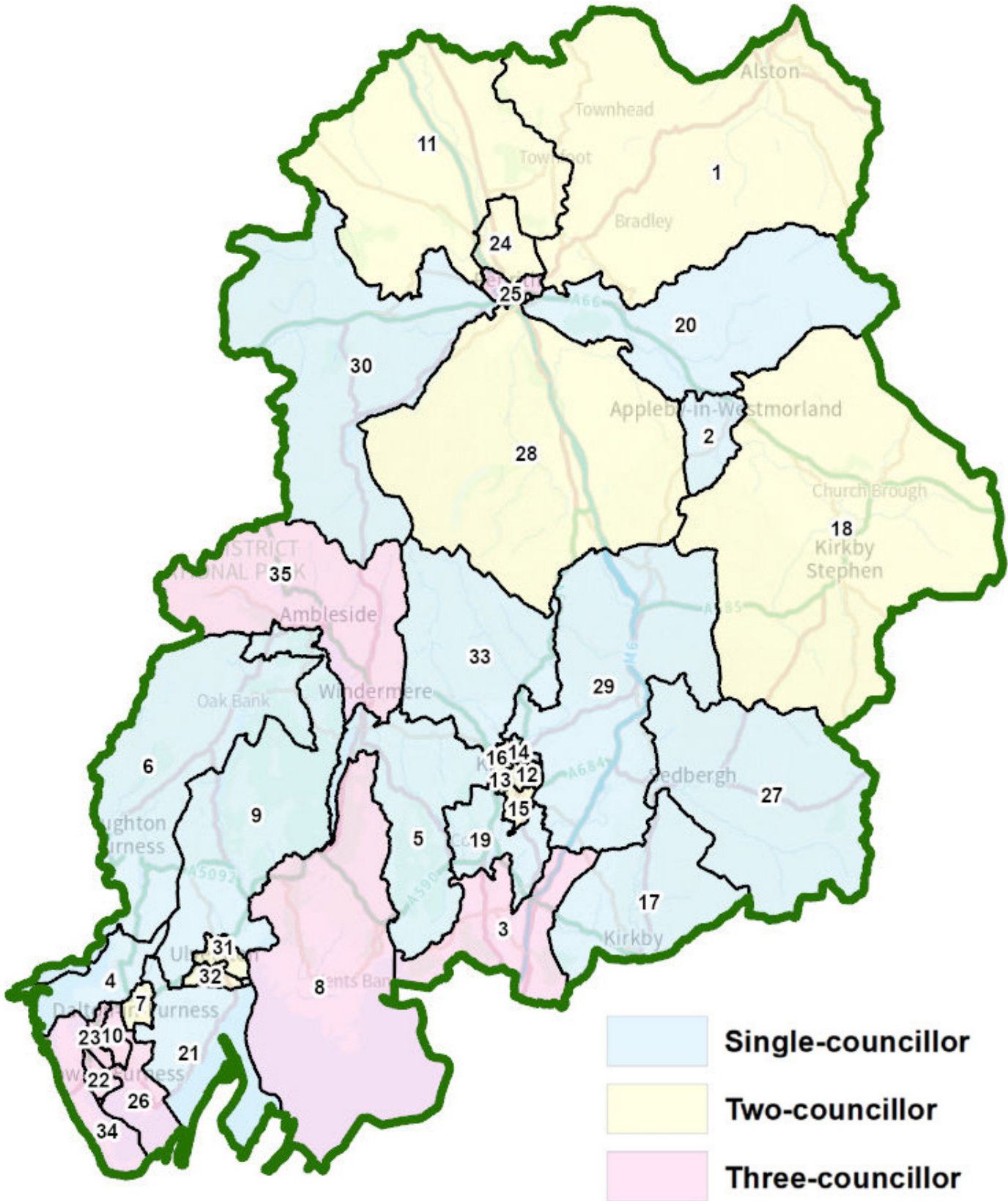
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- view the map of our recommendations down to street level.
- zoom into the areas that interest you most.
- read the full report of our recommendations.
- find more guidance on the review process

Stage of Review	Description
27 August - 4 November 2024	Public consultation on warding arrangements
4 March - 12 May 2025	Public consultation on draft recommendations
30 September 2025	Publication of final recommendations
May 2027	Subject to parliamentary approval - implementation of new arrangements at local elections

Overview of final recommendations for Westmorland and Furness Council

View this map online and explore it in more detail at: <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/westmorland-and-furness>



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- 23 Ormsgill & Parkside
- 24 Penrith North
- 25 Penrith South
- 26 Risedale & Roosecote
- 27 Sedbergh
- 28 Shap & Clifton
- 29 Tebay & Old Hutton
- 30 Ullswater & Dacre
- 31 Ulverston North
- 32 Ulverston South & Swarthmoor
- 33 Upper Kent
- 34 Walney Island
- 35 Windermere, Ambleside & Grasmere