

Oxfordshire County Council Electoral Review Full Council Briefing

September 2022

About us:

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England

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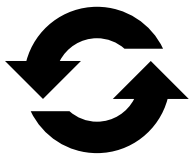
Objective



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You can contact us with questions at any time throughout the review.

What is an electoral review?

An electoral review considers the electoral arrangements for a local authority

Number of councillors



Number of divisions



Boundaries between divisions



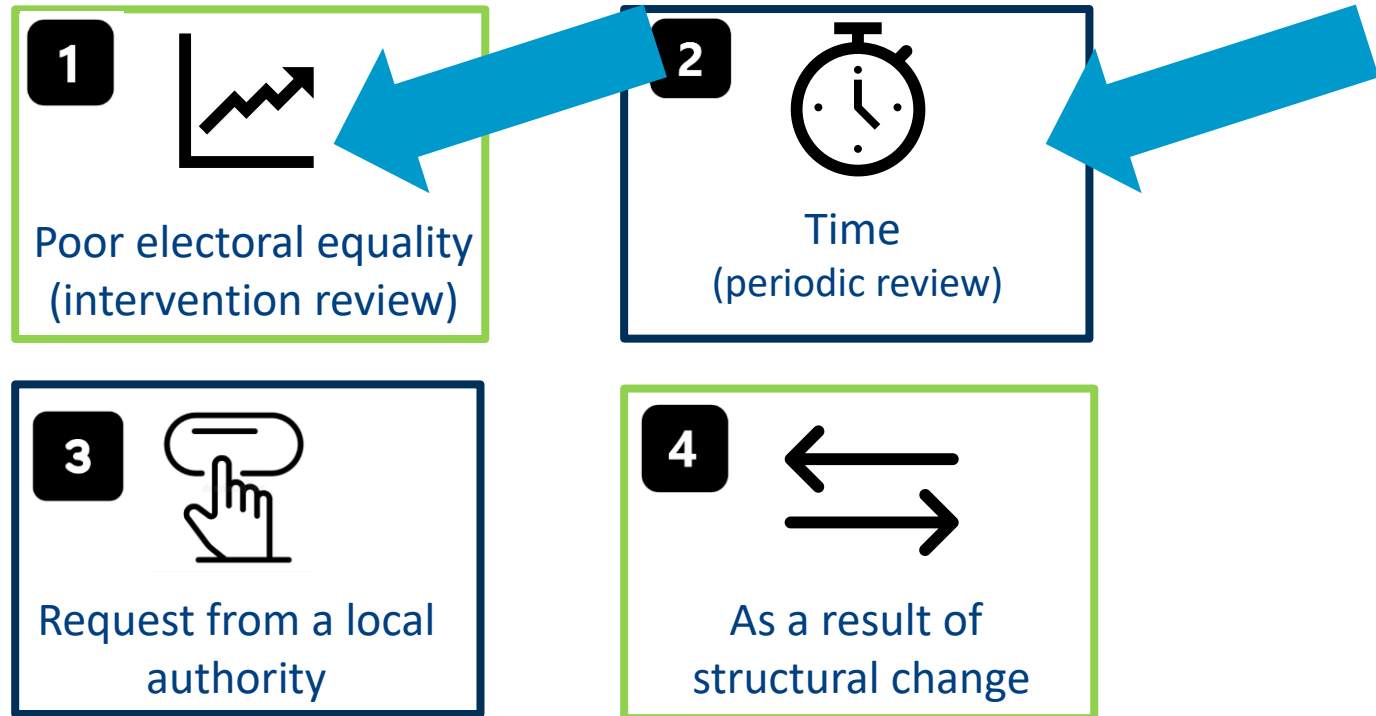
Names of each division



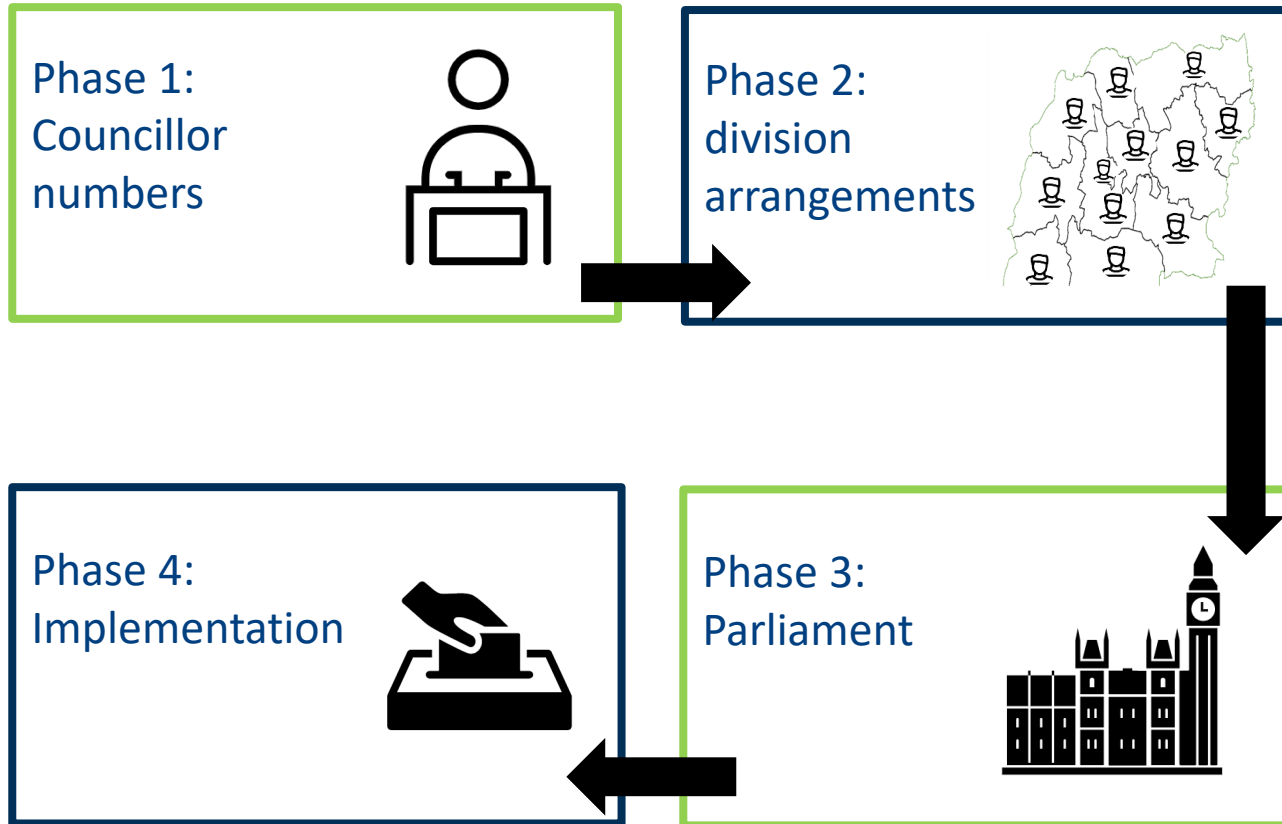
Number of councillors elected to each division



We review authorities for one of four reasons



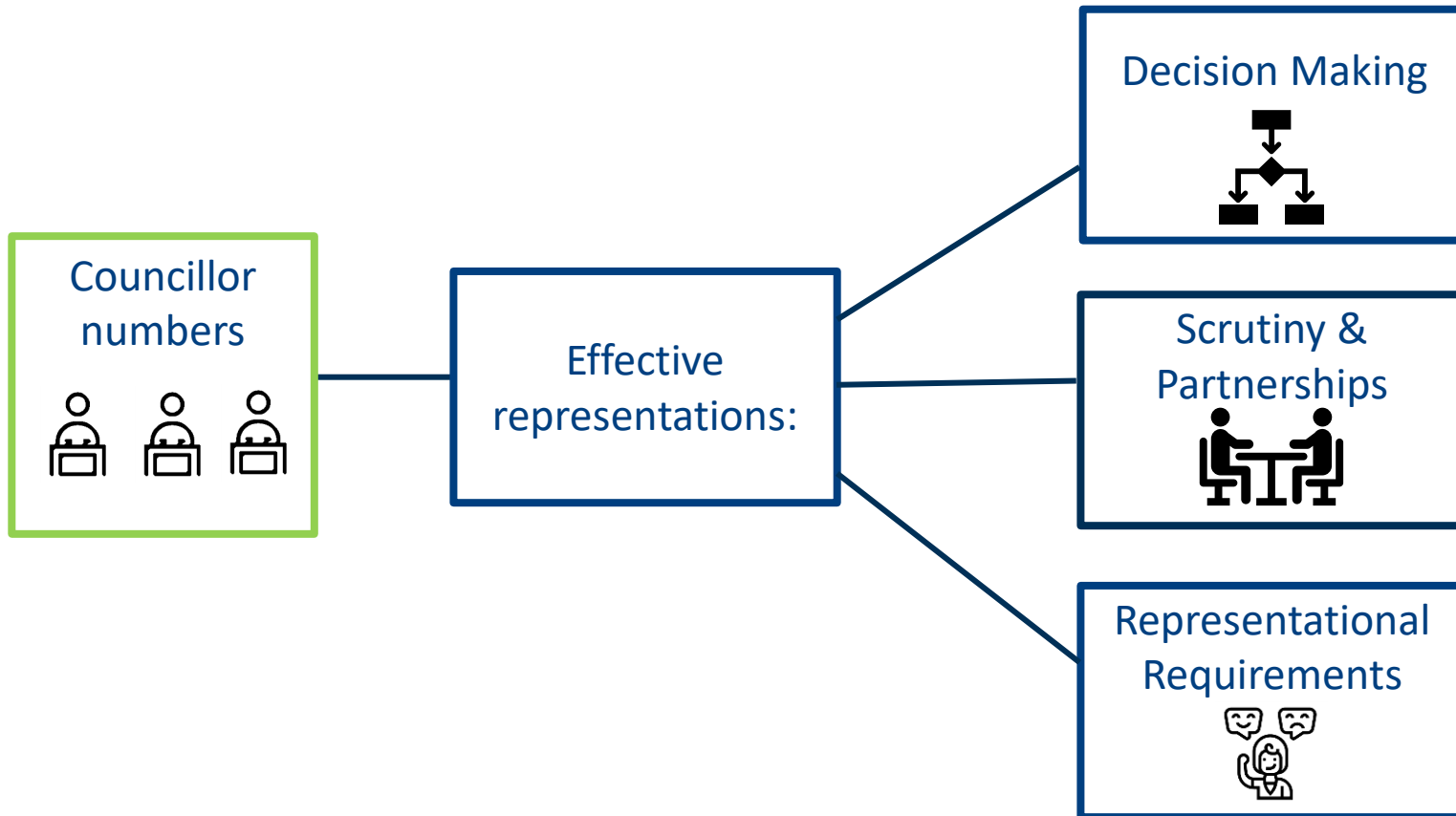
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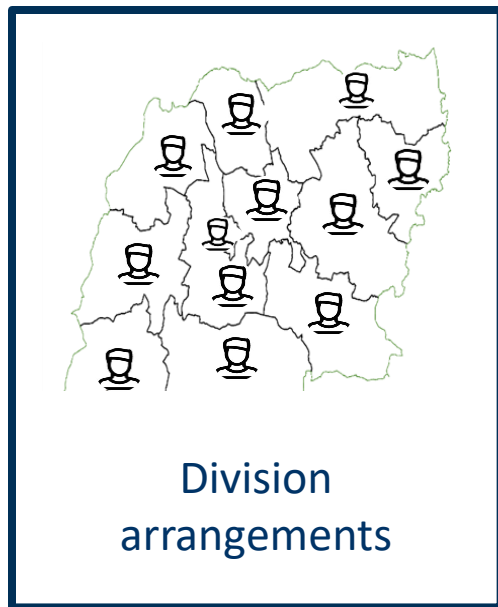
Phase 1: councillor numbers



Phase 1: councillor numbers (cont.)



Phase 2: division arrangements arrangements



The local community has at least two opportunities to tell us their views about how divisions should be arranged.

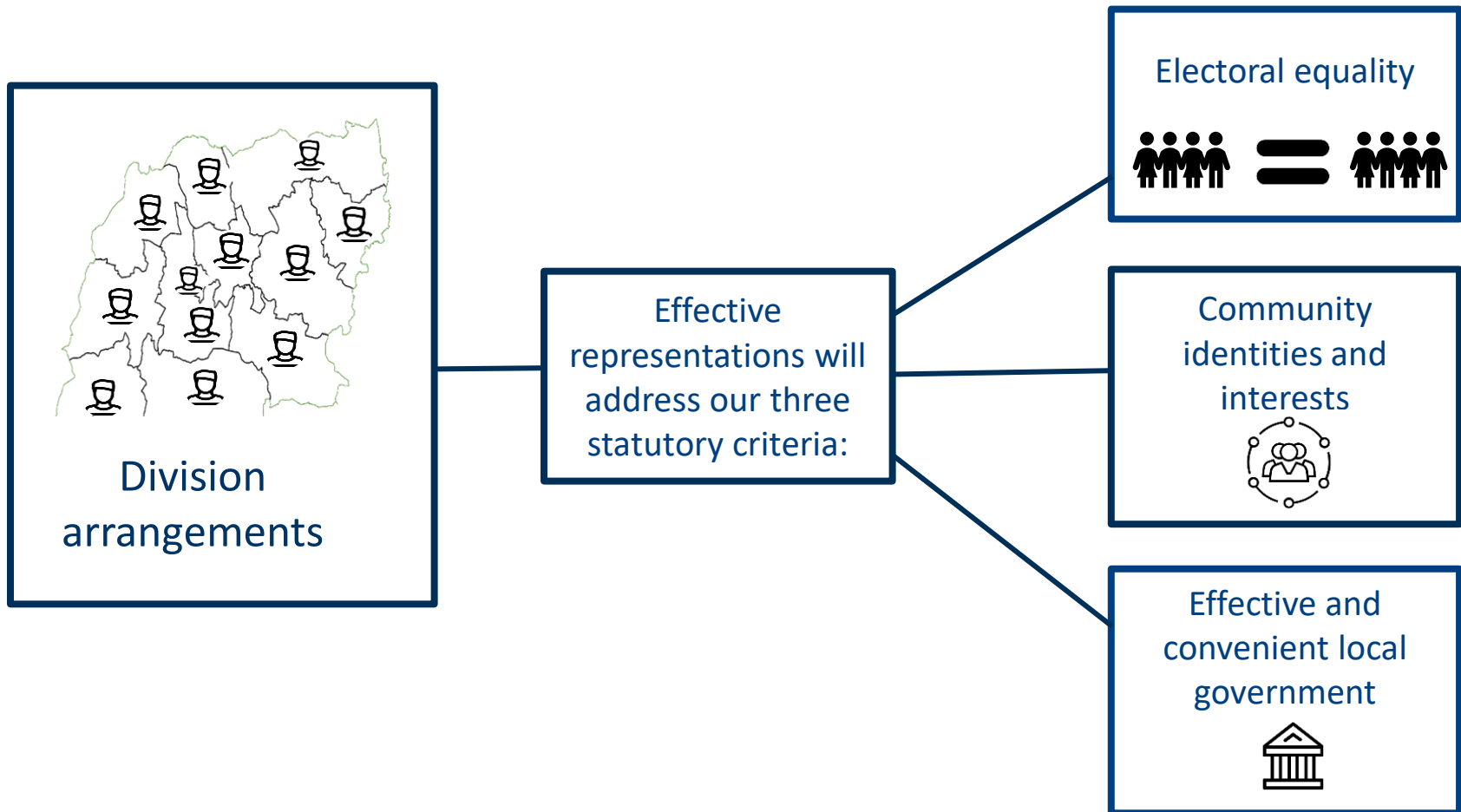
First consultation on division arrangements arrangements:
21 February 2023
– 1 May 2023

Consultation on draft proposals:
25 July 2023 –
2 October 2023

Sometimes we will hold an additional round of consultation if we want to test some proposals that are very different from our draft proposals

Publication of final proposals:
9 January 2024
(later if further consultation needed)

Phase 2: division arrangements arrangements (cont.)



What do we mean by electoral equality?

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Electoral data

Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council

Using this sheet:

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

Scroll right to see the second table

What is the polling district code?	Is there any other description you use for this area?	Is this polling district contained in a parish? If not, leave this cell blank.	Is this polling district contained in a parish ward? If not, leave this cell blank.	Is this polling district contained in a group of parishes with a joint parish council? If not, leave this cell blank.	What ward is this polling district in?	What is the current electorate?	What is the predicted electorate?
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Polling district	Description of area	Parish	Parish ward	Grouped parish council	Existing ward	Electorate 2021	Electorate 2027
EX1	Example 1	Little Example		Little and Even Litter	Example	480	502
EX2	Example 2	Even Litter Example		Little and Even Litter	Example	67	68
EX3	Example 3	Medium Example			Example	893	897
EX4	Example 4	Big Example	Big Example East		Example	759	780
EX5	Example 5	Big Example	Big Example West		Example	803	824

CAA		Aylesford Parish	North Ward		Aylesford North & Walderlade	586	621
CAB		Aylesford Parish	Blue Bell Hill Ward		Aylesford North & Walderlade	1090	1160
CAC		Aylesford Parish	Eccles Ward		Aylesford North & Walderlade	1330	1425
CAD		Aylesford Parish	Walderlade Ward		Aylesford North & Walderlade	2084	2268
CBA		Aylesford Parish	South Ward		Aylesford South	3838	4135
FAA		Borough Green			Borough Green & Long Mill	3158	3340
FAB		Platt			Borough Green & Long Mill	1356	1443
FAC		Plaxtol			Borough Green & Long Mill	854	919
FAD		Shipbourne			Borough Green & Long Mill	398	414
CCA		Burham			Burham & Wouldham	1050	1122
CCB		Wouldham			Burham & Wouldham	1791	2841
FBA					Cage Green	1823	1928
FBB					Cage Green	1789	1905
TCA					Castle	2048	2193
TCB					Castle	1465	1585
CDA					Ditton	1330	1415
CDB					Ditton	2513	2691
FDA		Addington			Downs & Mereworth	657	700
FDB		Birling			Downs & Mereworth	359	380
FDC		Mereworth	Village Ward		Downs & Mereworth	568	622
FDD		Offham			Downs & Mereworth	614	661
FDE		Ryars			Downs & Mereworth	660	700
FDF		Trottscliffe			Downs & Mereworth	421	449
FDG		West Peckham			Downs & Mereworth	292	315
FEA		East Malling & Larkfield	East Malling Ward		East Malling	3870	4197
FFA		East Peckham			Hadlow & East Peckham	2547	2724
FFB		Hadlow	Golden Green Ward		Hadlow & East Peckham	432	475
FFC		Hadlow	Hadlow Ward		Hadlow & East Peckham	2519	2690
TGA					Higham	3653	3926
FHA		Hildenborough			Hildenborough	1616	1701
FHB		Hildenborough			Hildenborough	2140	2299
FIA					Higham	1772	1907









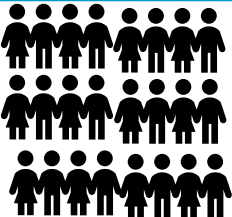




































Check your data	2021	2027
Number of councillors:	54	54
Overall electorate:	98,327	106,628
Average electorate per cllr:	1,821	1,978

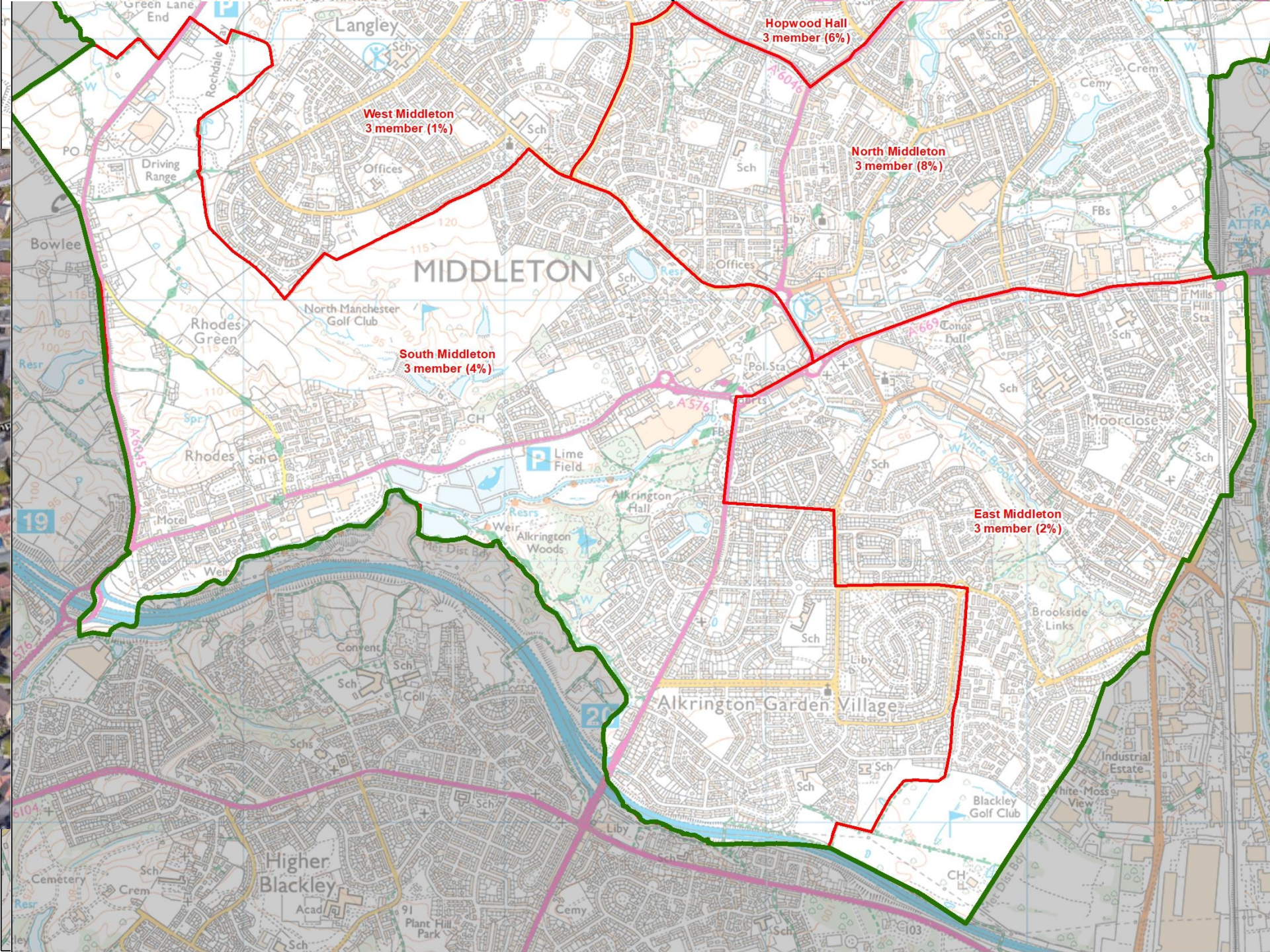
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Fill in the name of each ward once	Fill in the number of councillors per ward	These cells will show you the electorate and variance. They change depending what you enter in the table to the left.
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Name of ward	Number of cllrs per ward	Electorate 2021	Variance 2021	Electorate 2027	Variance 2027
Aylesford North & Walderlade	3	5,090	-7%	5,474	-8%
Aylesford South	2	3,838	5%	4,135	5%
Borough Green & Long Mill	3	5,766	6%	6,116	3%
Burham & Wouldham	2	2,841	-22%	3,963	0%
Cage Green	2	3,612	-1%	3,833	-3%
Castle	2	3,513	-4%	3,778	-5%
Ditton	2	3,843	6%	4,106	4%
Downs & Mereworth	2	3,571	-2%	3,827	-3%
East Malling	2	3,870	6%	4,197	6%
Hadlow & East Peckham	3	5,498	1%	5,889	-1%
Higham	2	3,653	0%	3,926	-1%
Hildenborough	2	3,756	3%	4,000	1%
Judd	2	3,928	8%	4,137	5%
Kings Hill	3	6,509	-13%	7,916	-33%
Larkfield North	2	3,558	-2%	3,798	-4%
Larkfield South	2	3,408	-6%	3,632	-8%
Medway	3	5,372	-2%	5,708	-4%
Snodland East & Ham Hill	2	3,649	0%	3,894	-2%
Snodland West & Holborough Lakes	3	4,929	-10%	5,152	-13%
Trench	2	3,530	-3%	3,802	-4%
Vauxhall	2	3,912	7%	4,125	4%
Wateringbury	1	1,564	-14%	1,688	-15%
West Malling & Leybourne	3	5,632	3%	6,020	1%
Wrotham, Ightham & Stansted	2	3,485	-4%	3,712	-6%

What do we mean by electoral equality?



Langley

Hopwood Hall
3 member (6%)

West Middleton
3 member (1%)

North Middleton
3 member (8%)

MIDDLETON

South Middleton
3 member (4%)

East Middleton
3 member (2%)

Alkington Garden Village

Higher Blackley

Blackley Golf Club

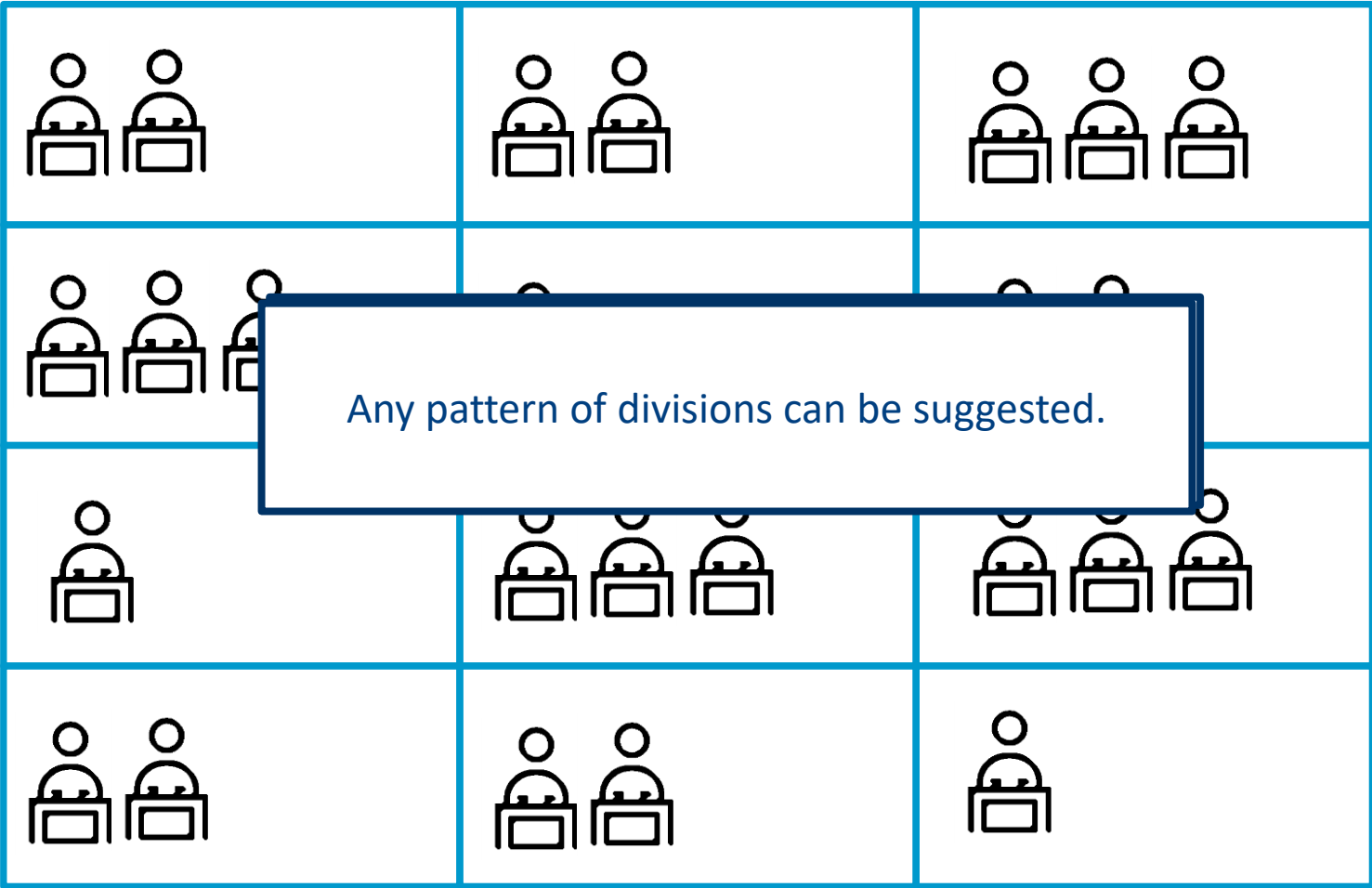
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We look for strong and identifiable boundaries that should make it easy for residents to represent their areas.

Number of councillors per division



What we can't consider

Political consequences

“It ain't broke, don't fix it” arguments

Parliamentary boundaries

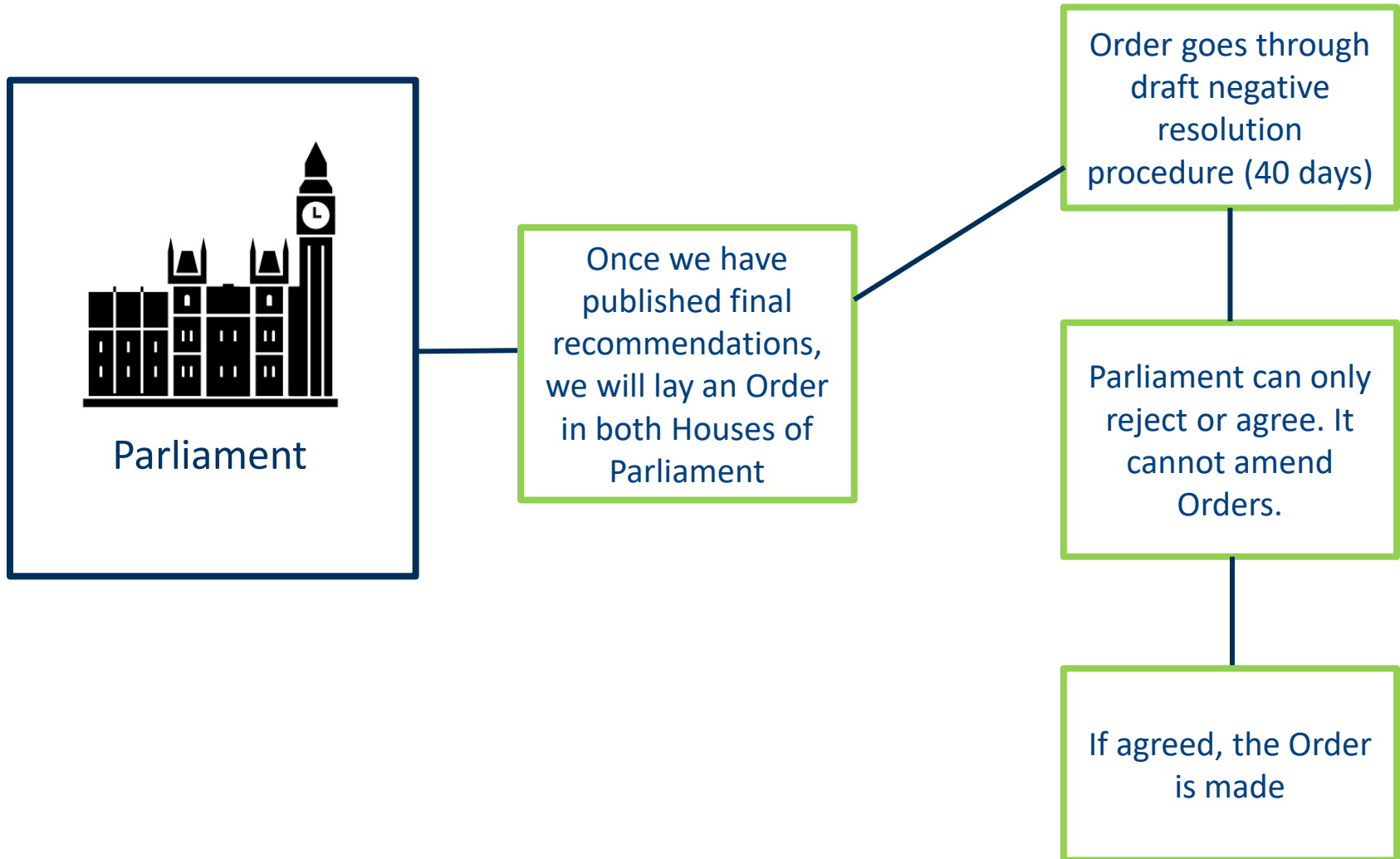
Postcodes or addresses

House prices or insurance

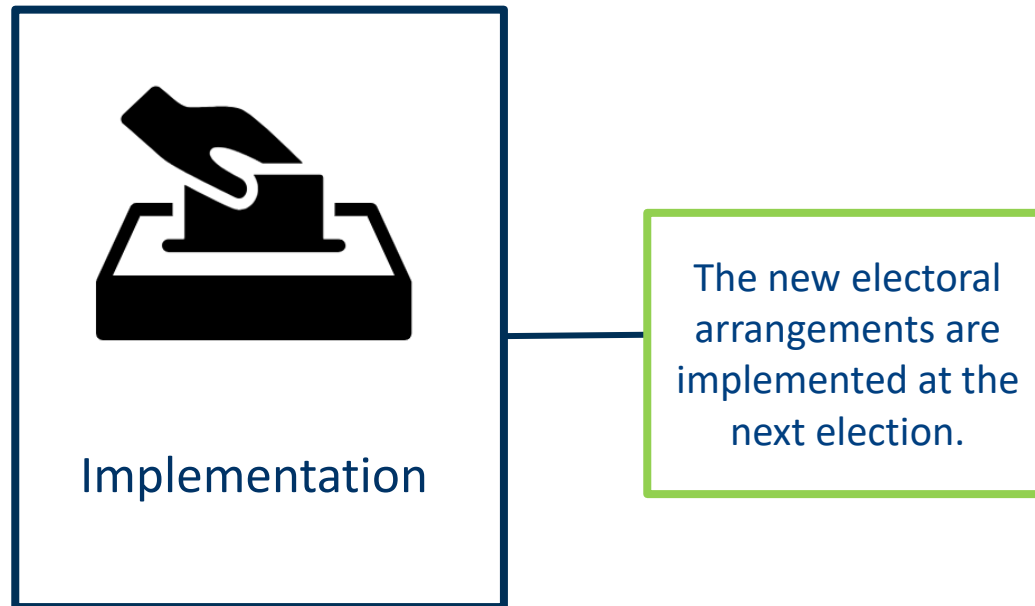
The external boundaries for the county

Phase 3: Parliament

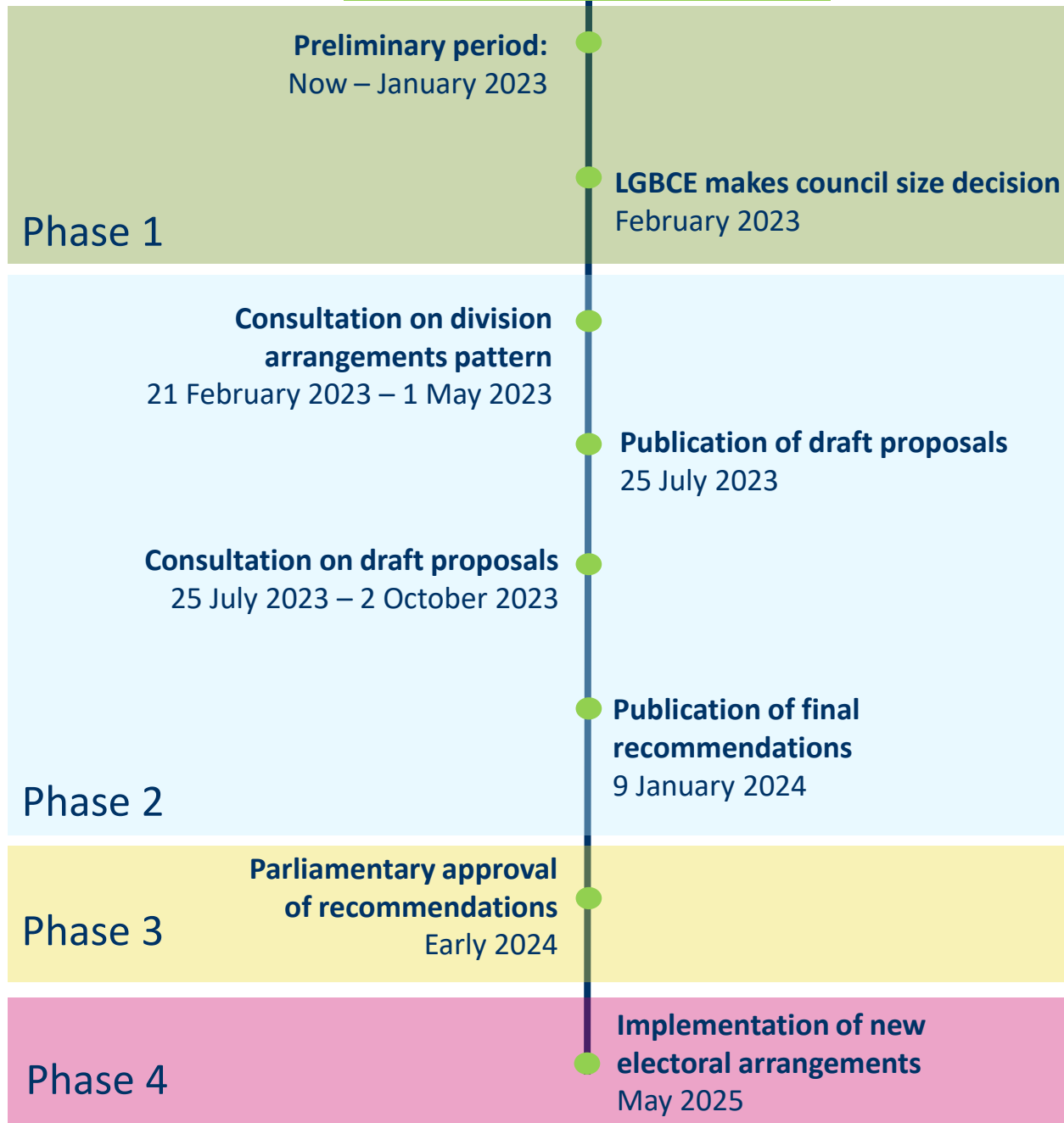
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Phase 4: Implementation



REVIEW TIMELINE



How we consult

Write to all key stakeholders in the local area



Social media



Local media



Community briefings



Flyers and posters



Work with your officers



Ask for your help



How to make a
submission or
get in contact
during the
review



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