

THE 2018 PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARY REVIEW WORKING GROUP
TERMS OF REFERENCE

Objective and Purpose

A cross party working group to consider the initial proposals for new Parliamentary constituency boundaries in the Eastern region, as published for consultation on 13 September 2016.

To ensure that the proposals reflect effective parliamentary constituencies for the residents of Peterborough.

To submit a draft un-confirmed response to the proposals to the Boundary Commission for England within the required timescales (before 5 December 2016) with the final response to be approved by Council on 14th December 2016.

Considerations

For the working group to consider the following proposed changes:

- The significant reduction in the number of constituencies in England from 533 to 501;
- The requirement that every constituency, apart from two specified exceptions, must have an electorate that is no smaller than 71,031 and no larger than 78,507;
- The changes to the constituencies within the Eastern region, namely the reduction from 58 to 57;
- The specific impact on the Peterborough and North West Cambridgeshire constituencies;

Consultation and Communication

To review the proposed Parliamentary constituency boundaries within the Eastern region and the potential effect on the residents of Peterborough.

To formulate a response to the proposals on behalf of Peterborough City Council

Constitution and Powers

Substitution arrangements will apply and Group Leaders will nominate through Group Secretaries

Relevant Officers will attend the meetings.

The Working Group is an informal meeting of members to which the Access to Information rules shall not apply.

The Working Group shall appoint a Chair.

The quorum of the Working Group shall be 3 members.

Meetings of the Working Group will be supported and administered by a senior officer within the Governance team.

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