

Ward summaries for proposed changes

Ward	Description for Review purposes	Recommendation	Submission
Auriol	The Ward has distinct geographic boundaries. Its pentagon shape is contained by the A240 Kingston Road to the south west, the London railway main line to the south east, connecting roads to the north west and north east and Auriol Park to the north. The current population is the lowest in the Borough, making it the only Ward with two members at present. The elector to member ratio is very close to the median.	The LGBCE growth forecast shows a population increase in line with the borough median, maintaining a similar ratio.	<p>Auriol is currently the only 2 member Ward.</p> <p>13 Ward Option supports a merger between Auriol and Stoneleigh. The merger would address the concerns around the number two x two Member Wards, to offer the support with resilience and also to support more efficient governance.</p> <p>The 13 Ward Option moves the merged Wards to a 4 Member Ward.</p> <p>The 14 Ward Option does not merge the Auriol and Stoneleigh, but instead creates two x 2 Member Wards.</p> <p>Both options have a refinement of the normal Auriol boundary with Cuddington.</p>
College	The Ward forms part of the borough boundary to the south east and the B290 Ashley Road to the	The LGBCE growth forecast shows a significant decrease in electors, resulting	

	<p>south west. Its north eastern boundary consists of residential side roads which centre around Alexandra Park. To the north west, the Ward borders Epsom Town Centre. Population changes impact all wards that border Town Ward, which has a strong need to rationalise its high variance in elector numbers.</p>	<p>in a double digit variance, well below the borough median. This makes College Ward well placed to absorb some of the quiet side streets south of the A24. The adjustment on its most easterly point to, demographically similar neighbour, Woodcote Ward, helps to balance the variances.</p>	<p>Both options require adjustments to the College Ward boundary with Town and Woodcote Wards.</p> <p>Ward representation would remain at 3 Members.</p>
<p>Court</p>	<p>The Ward is bordered by Horton Lane to the north west, Chessington Road to the north east and the London railway main line to the south east. To the south west it borders Epsom Town Centre.</p> <p>Court Ward has undergone significant changes since the last boundary review in the late 90s. The development of the Hospital Cluster sites added around 800 new homes to the ward. Most of the new occupants share similar socio-economic status, professions and lifestyles that are quite different to the rest of the Ward. There are several further sites promoted for development in this Ward, making its current representation unsustainable.</p> <p>Court has some of the highest deprivation in Surrey, yet this is polarised within the Ward.</p>	<p>It is proposed that the Livingstone Park estate forms part of a new ward created from the Hospital Cluster sites, while the Parkviews estate remains. This allows Court Ward to absorb demographically similar parts of Town Ward, which has a strong need to rationalise its high variance in elector numbers. It also enables the adoption of a discreet cul-de-sac of streets around Gibraltar Crescent which is isolated by Longmead Road from the rest of West Ewell Ward.</p>	<p>Both options require adjustments to Court Ward boundaries, to create the New Horton Ward, and also to move some of Town to Court, move some of West Ewell to Court.</p> <p>Ward representation would remain at 3 Members.</p>
<p>Cuddington</p>	<p>This Ward forms the northern section of the borough boundary along the north west, north and</p>	<p>The electoral variance is close to the median for the Borough. The LGBCE</p>	

	north east borders. The southern border centres around Auriol Park and surrounding streets except a section of the south east border which runs along the A240 Kingston Road.	forecast shows this falling slightly over the next few years. By adjusting the ward boundary from Ewell Court Ward, which is bisected by the A240 Kingston Road, Cuddington can address a geographical anomaly while balancing its representation.	Both options require a minor adjustments to Ward boundary, with the inclusion of properties in Auriol. Ward representation would remain at 3 Members.
Ewell Court	This Ward is bordered along the whole of its south western flank by the Hogsmill river, while the south east borders the London railway main line. The north east border runs along the A240 Kingston Road with the exception of a small community sandwiched between Cuddington and Auriol wards on the other side of the dual carriageway. Ewell Court forms a very distinct community of mostly retired residents and young families. It is compact and densely populated with little to no opportunity for future development. The removal of the section north of the A240 Kingston Road provides an opportunity to rebalance representation.	Adjust boundaries with Cuddington to follow the A240 and balance out electorate numbers	Both options require adjustments to Ward boundary with Cuddington and result in a move to a 2 Member Ward.
Ewell	This Ward has distinct borders, following the London railway main line to the east, the A24 Ewell by-pass to the west and the Kiln Lane Retail Park to the south west. A section of the Ward is located south of the A24 Ewell by-pass on the other side of a large dual carriageway. That	With the resulting elector per member ratio and limited options for development the proposal for this Ward is to reduce by one Member becoming a two member ward.	Both options require adjustments to Ward boundaries, with land moving from Ewell to Nonsuch, College and Town at the southern end of the Ward. Under both options this Ward

	<p>section forms a residential area isolated from Ewell village, but is better connected with neighbouring wards.</p>		<p>would move to being a 2 Member Ward.</p>
<p>New Ward Horton</p>	<p>Three existing Wards form the borders of this proposed new Ward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ruxley to the North, along the B284 Chessington Road; • Court to the East, along Horton Lane, Chantilly Way and Long Grove Park; and • Stamford to the South, along Christ Church Road. <p>The long fourth border, to the West, is the borough boundary with the London Borough of Kingston.</p> <p>The spine of the potential new ward is the southern section of Horton Lane, which serves as an arterial road connecting five newly developed housing estates that once formed the Hospital Cluster. The newly developed estates were all built, after the last Electoral Review and they form a distinct community of residents, most of whom share a similar socio-economic identity.</p> <p>The nearest shops to four of the five estates are at Horton Retail Centre. Transport links include a bus franchise (Metrobus) operating two routes (E9</p>	<p>It is proposed the Clarendon Park, Livingstone Park, Manor Park and Noble Park estates form a two Member Ward named Horton. The Parkviews estate which is separated from the others by Horton Farm remains in Court ward.</p>	<p>Both options create this new Ward, both also require the necessary adjustments to Ward boundaries of Court, Stamford and Ruxley. New 2 Member Ward.</p>

	<p>and E10) which are exclusive to the Hospital Cluster estates, and dedicated cycle paths and roads which connect the estates.</p> <p>There is considerable opportunity for further development as there are four promoted sites within the proposed area. The elector per member ratio is low compared to the Borough median, allowing for potential growth.</p>		
Nonsuch	<p>This Ward forms part of the borough boundary to the east and south and is bounded by the A24 London Road to the north west. To the south west is a distinct community of residents in an area known as Ewell Downs.</p> <p>Having already undergone major site development, Nonsuch Ward includes three further sites promoted for development.</p>	<p>A modest change to the eastern border will bring a small number of streets into the Ward from south of the A24 without increasing elector numbers above the median.</p>	<p>Both options require adjustments to Ward Boundaries with Ewell.</p> <p>Ward representation would remain at 3 Members.</p>
Ruxley	<p>This Ward forms part of the borough boundary to the west, to the north east is it bounded by the Hogsmill river. The southern border follows Ruxley Lane, taking in Epsom & Ewell High School sports facilities and is bounded by a new housing development called Buckthorn Grange. Buckthorn Grange is now isolated from the rest of Ruxley ward by a new sports facility at Epsom & Ewell High School.</p>	<p>It is proposed to transfer Clarendon Park to the proposed new Ward of Horton and for Buckthorn Grange to be placed in West Ewell ward along with the aforementioned section of Chessington Road and its side roads.</p>	<p>Both options create a new Horton Ward, which require adjustments to Ward boundaries with Court and West Ewell. Both options move Ruxley to a 2 Member Ward.</p>

	<p>The Clarendon Park estate was developed around 20 years ago as part of the Hospital Cluster. It is demographically different to the rest of the ward and separated geographically by a substantial section of Horton Country Park. A section of Chessington Road to the south of the junction with Ruxley Lane, including a network of cul-de-sacs, also has a distinct difference to the rest of the ward. Both are in the 10th decile (least deprived) of the Index of Multiple Deprivation. Whereas the remainder of the Ward is in the 4th decile and 6th decile.</p>		
Stamford	<p>This heart shaped Ward forms part of the borough boundary to the west, Dorking Road to the south, the London railway main line to the south east, and two tributary rivers, Long Grove Park and Horton Country Park to the north.</p> <p>Two new estates were developed in the last 22 years, they are separated from the rest of the ward by Epsom Common and an open space next to a primary school.</p> <p>The Noble Park estate was built in 2012 and is the most recently developed of the Hospital Cluster. The Manor Park estate was completed between 1999 and 2000. The combined electors of both estates (circa 1,550) is sufficient to</p>	<p>The LGBCE growth forecast shows some increase, but given that all the sites promoted for development would be transferred to a new ward this is expected to be much lower in this scenario.</p> <p>It is proposed to transfer Manor Park and Noble Park to a new ward and for a section of cul-de-sacs on the B280 West Hill, as far as Clayhill Green, to join Town ward to supplier electoral balance.</p>	<p>Both options create the new Ward of Horton, both also require the necessary adjustments to Stamford. There is also a refinement with Town. Both options move Stamford to a 2 Member Ward.</p>

	warrant a councillor in their own right. This expansion has given Stamford Ward the greatest under-representation in elector variance in the borough.		
Stoneleigh	<p>This Ward forms part of the borough boundary to the north, while the west adjoins the London railway main line, the south west borders the Ewell by-pass and the south east borders the A24 London Road and Nonsuch Park.</p> <p>Stoneleigh has the greatest over-representation of elector variance in the Borough. It is the most compact Ward alongside neighbouring Auriol which shares a very similar demographic and community. The Stoneleigh & Auriol Residents Association is one of only two RAs to cover two Wards.</p>	The LGBCE forecast shows stable, incremental growth, which sustains the high elector variance. As such It is proposed that Stoneleigh reduces to be a two member ward like its neighbour Auriol. There is no change proposed to the boundaries of Stoneleigh itself.	<p>Both Options leave Stoneleigh in effect with 2 Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14 Ward option leaves Stoneleigh as a standalone 2 Member Ward • 13 Ward option merges Stoneleigh and Auriol which makes it a 4 Member Ward.
Town	<p>This Ward has the least distinct borders and adjoins the greatest number of other Wards (five). The town centre forms the substantive core, while the Kiln Lane Retail park is also a significant location for shopping and employment.</p> <p>Town has the second highest under-representation in the borough and the LGBCE forecast is for elector variance to increase beyond</p>	It is proposed for a section of cul-de-sacs on the B280 West Hill, as far as Clayhill Green, to join Town. The type of housing and population density has more in common with the neighbourhoods in Town ward. This also supports the rebalancing of elector numbers for both Stamford and Town Wards.	<p>Both options seek the same adjustments to Town Ward boundaries. By doing so, this manages the electoral variance for Town.</p> <p>Ward representation would remain at 3 Members.</p>

	<p>20%, making the Ward the most highly populated in the Borough.</p>	<p>A section of the B284 Hook Road and Miles Road is proposed to join Court ward. This puts the entire section of Hook Road from the railway line into one ward and helps to balance elector numbers in both wards.</p> <p>A section of side streets south of the A24, bounded by the London railway main line, is proposed to move from Ewell ward into Town ward. This connects those residents with Kiln Lane Retail park and East Street, which is the main thoroughfare into the town centre, served by several bus routes. This area was previously part of Town and the community living there still regards themselves as most connected to the town centre rather than Ewell village across the Ewell by-pass.</p> <p>A south east section of the Ward, around St Martin's Parish Church, is proposed to join Woodcote and College Wards as these better reflect the suburban residential characteristics of those neighbourhoods. The B284 Church Street forms the division between them. This change also helps to balance elector numbers in all the wards affected.</p>	
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West Ewell	<p>This Ward is bounded by the Hogsmill river the whole length of its north east flank, the south east borders adjoins the London railway main line. The south west border runs along the B284 Chessington Road. The north border follows the Hogsmill river behind Epsom & Ewell High School plus a section of side streets off Chessington Road.</p> <p>West Ewell ward has a close relationship with its neighbour Ruxley, with both Wards covered by the West Ewell and Ruxley Residents Association. Making WERRA one of only two RAs in the borough to cover two wards.</p> <p>However the demographic is polarised with the government's Index of Multiple Deprivation showing West Ewell as having four LSOAs in the 7th, 9th, 10th and 10th decile compared to Ruxley ward's 3 LSOAs which are scored in the 4th, 6th and 10th decile.</p>	<p>A section of Chessington Road to the south of the junction with Ruxley Lane, including a network of cul-de-sacs, has a demographic more closely aligned with West Ewell than Ruxley Ward. It is proposed to move this section to West Ewell Ward. It is also proposed to move the new development Buckthorn Grange to West Ewell as its only access point is Scotts Farm Road.</p> <p>This helps balance elector numbers and gives a more natural boundary between the two wards.</p>	<p>Both options require adjustments to Ward Boundaries with Ruxley and Court.</p> <p>Ward representation would remain at 3 Members.</p>
Woodcote	This Ward is the largest geographically with its western, southern and south eastern borders	Woodcote is forecast for population growth with planning permission already	

	<p>forming the borough boundary. The eastern border runs along the B290 Ashley Road until it meets the edge of the town centre taking in a number of side streets around the A24 Dorking Road.</p>	<p>granted for a major new development at Woodcote Grove.</p> <p>Taking a modest number of streets from Town while transferring the isolated Dalmeny Way will help to keep Woodcote close to the median ratio of electors per Member.</p>	<p>Both options require adjustments to Ward Boundaries with College and Town.</p> <p>Ward representation would remain at 3 Members.</p>
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