

Dear Sir/Madam,

The 2023 Boundary Review - Initial Proposals for new Parliamentary constituency boundaries

We have previously been in contact with you concerning publication of our initial proposals for new constituency boundaries, on 8 June 2021. This marks the start of eight weeks of statutory consultation on those proposals, during which we are inviting people to view and comment on the new boundaries. The BCE is an independent and impartial public body, and must make its recommendations for new Parliamentary boundaries to Parliament in July 2023. This is the first of three rounds of consultation we will undertake before that date.

As part of this consultation, we are legally required to place the consultation documents on deposit in every proposed constituency, and your site is one of those places of deposit. We would be grateful if you would keep a tally of how many members of the public request access to the boundary proposals in your venue, and send this to us at the end of the consultation period.

The enclosed documents are to be placed on deposit at your library/town hall/civic building, for the public to be able to access during the period 8 June 2021 to 2 August 2021 inclusive. Please note that they must not be removed during this period, and should in other respects follow the same procedures you apply to other public reference material you hold.

These documents are provided under strict embargo prior to publication on 8 June 2021. I would therefore respectfully request that you do not distribute or otherwise publicise our proposals until formal publication on the 8th. Documents received on Monday 7 June should be held in your office and not placed on display, or given to any enquirers, until Tuesday 8th.

For the 2023 Review, the Commission is promoting use of a specifically-designed consultation website as the primary tool for displaying our proposals, and receiving comments on them. This is available at www.bcereviews.org.uk. The proposals and maps for the whole of your area - and the rest of England - will be published on the website on the 8th, which will start the eight-week consultation period.

Please follow us on our social media channels, [@BCEReviews](https://twitter.com/BCEReviews) on Twitter and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/BCEReviews), to keep up to date with key information about the 2023 Review. You are welcome to retweet or share our posts about the launch of the initial proposals to raise awareness about the review in your area, or we can provide suggested copy if you prefer.

Thank you for your assistance in publicising the 2023 Boundary Review.

Yours faithfully,

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