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Summary

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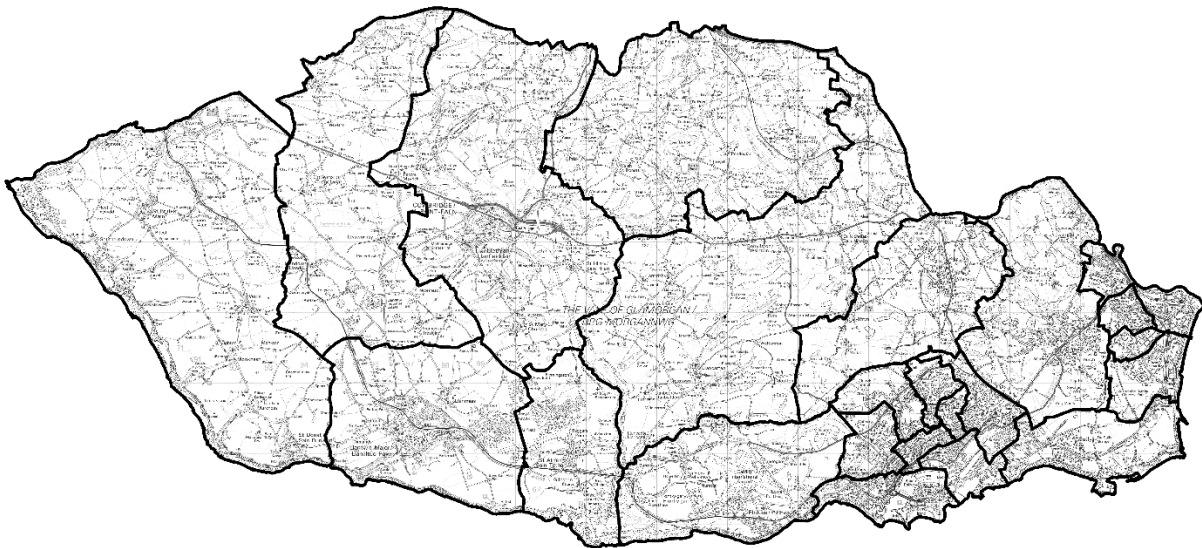
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County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan

Summary of Final Recommendations



Who we are :

The Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales is an independent Welsh Government Sponsored Body.

It was established under the Local Democracy (Wales) Act 2013 with the main purpose of publishing a programme of work which keeps under review the electoral arrangements for the 22 principal councils.

The Commission makes electoral review recommendations, which it feels are in the interest of effective and convenient local government.

This review has been conducted as a result of the former Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government's Written Statement of 23 June 2016 as part of an all Wales review programme for the 2022 local government elections.

Summary of our Recommendations:

The Commission recommends a council of 54 members, an increase from the present 47 members.

The Commission recommends a change to the arrangement of electoral wards that will achieve a marked improvement in the level of electoral parity across the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan.

The Commission recommends 24 electoral wards.

The largest under-representation is recommended to be 25% above the proposed county average in **Plymouth**.

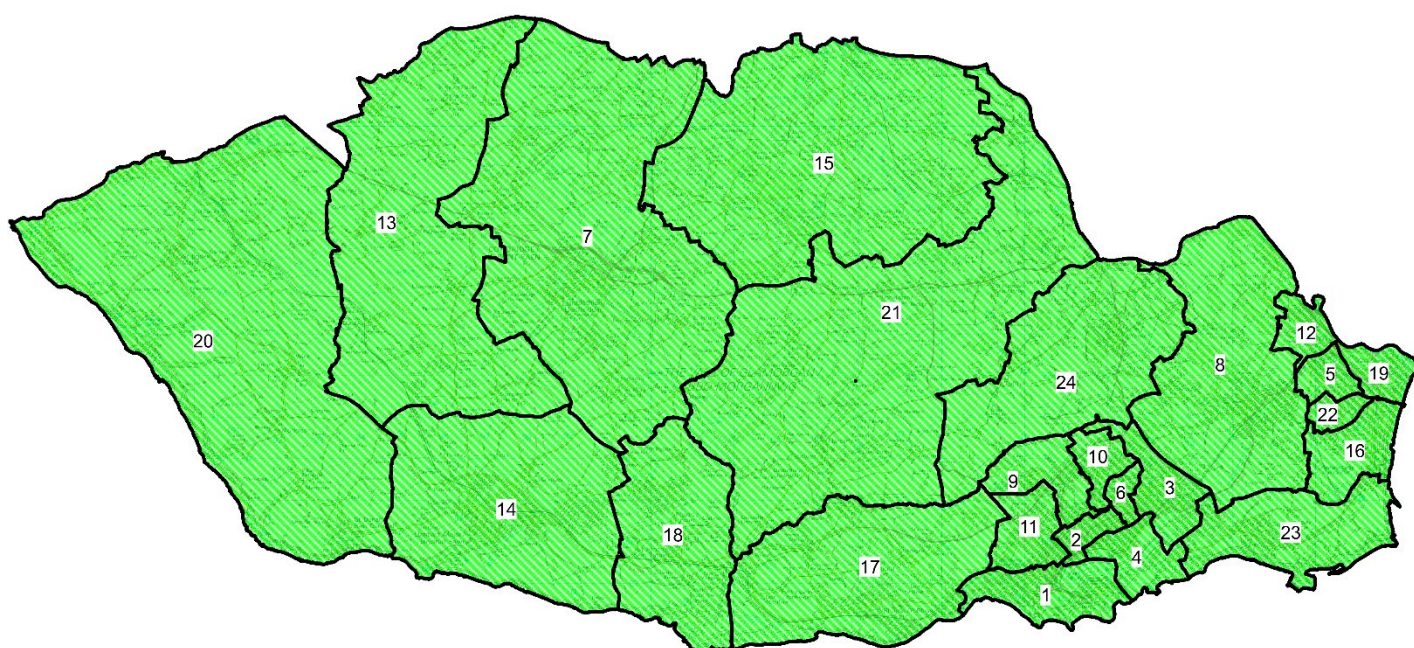
The largest over-representation is recommended to be 25% below the proposed county average in **St Athan**.

The Commission recommends 19 multi-member wards in the County consisting of: 11 two-member electoral wards; five three-member electoral wards and three four-member electoral wards.

The Commission recommends no change to 13 electoral wards.

| Stage of Review | Description |
|---|---|
| 30 April 2019 | The Commission wrote to Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council and other interested parties |
| 08 May 2019 – 30 July 2019 | Initial Consultation Period |
| 13 February 2020 | Draft Proposals Published |
| 20 February 2020 – 24 March 2020 01 September 2020 – 20 October 2020 | Consultation Period on Draft Proposals |
| 05 February 2021 | Final Recommendations Published |

Overview of Final Recommendations for the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan



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Key :

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|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Baruc | 13. Llandow |
| 2. Buttrills | 14. Llantwit Major |
| 3. Cadoc | 15. Peterston Super-Ely |
| 4. Castleland | 16. Plymouth |
| 5. Cornerswell | 17. Rhoose |
| 6. Court | 18. St Athan |
| 7. Cowbridge | 19. St Bride's Major |
| 8. Dinas Powys | 20. St Nicholas and Llancafarn |
| 9. Dyfan | 21. St Augustine's |
| 10. Gibbonsdown | 22. Stanwell |
| 11. Illtyd | 23. Sully |
| 12. Llandough | 24. Wenvoe |

What happens next?

We have now completed our review of electoral arrangements for the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan.

It now falls to the Welsh Government, if it thinks fit, to give effect to these final recommendations either as submitted, or with modifications.

The Welsh Government may also direct us to conduct a further review.

Our Final Recommendations:

The table lists all the wards we are proposing along with the number of voters 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 2024, so you can see the impact of the recommendations for the future.

| WARD NAME | No. OF COUNCILLORS | ELECTORATE 2019 | 2019 RATIO | % variance from average | ELECTORATE 2024 | 2024 RATIO | % variance from average |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|
| Baruc | 3 | 5,589 | 1,863 | 5% | 6,680 | 2,227 | 9% |
| Buttrills | 2 | 4,256 | 2,128 | 20% | 5,033 | 2,517 | 23% |
| Cadoc | 4 | 7,000 | 1,750 | -1% | 7,825 | 1,956 | -5% |
| Castleland | 2 | 3,270 | 1,635 | -8% | 4,124 | 2,062 | 1% |
| Cornerswell | 2 | 3,965 | 1,983 | 12% | 4,409 | 2,205 | 8% |
| Court | 2 | 3,219 | 1,610 | -9% | 3,697 | 1,849 | -10% |
| Cowbridge | 3 | 5,047 | 1,682 | -5% | 5,757 | 1,919 | -7% |
| Dinas Powys | 4 | 6,086 | 1,522 | -14% | 7,356 | 1,839 | -10% |
| Dyfan | 2 | 4,031 | 2,016 | 14% | 4,447 | 2,224 | 8% |
| Gibbonsdown | 2 | 3,693 | 1,847 | 4% | 4,716 | 2,358 | 15% |
| Illtyd | 3 | 6,117 | 2,039 | 15% | 6,725 | 2,242 | 9% |
| Llandough | 1 | 1,490 | 1,490 | -16% | 1,681 | 1,681 | -18% |
| Llandow | 1 | 1,649 | 1,649 | -7% | 1,615 | 1,615 | -21% |
| Llantwit Major | 4 | 7,432 | 1,858 | 5% | 9,179 | 2,295 | 12% |
| Peterston Super-Ely | 1 | 1,515 | 1,515 | -15% | 1,490 | 1,490 | -27% |
| Plymouth | 2 | 4,450 | 2,225 | 25% | 4,791 | 2,396 | 17% |
| Rhose | 3 | 5,508 | 1,836 | 3% | 5,879 | 1,960 | -4% |
| St Athan | 2 | 2,659 | 1,330 | -25% | 4,124 | 2,062 | 1% |
| St Bride's Major | 2 | 3,375 | 1,688 | -5% | 3,209 | 1,605 | -22% |
| St Nicholas and Llancarfan | 1 | 1,621 | 1,621 | -9% | 1,880 | 1,880 | -8% |
| St Augustine's | 3 | 5,104 | 1,701 | -4% | 6,066 | 2,022 | -1% |

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|-----------------|-----------|---------------|--------------|-----|----------------|--------------|------|
| Stanwell | 2 | 3,260 | 1,630 | -8% | 3,597 | 1,799 | -12% |
| Sully | 2 | 3,572 | 1,786 | 1% | 4,558 | 2,279 | 11% |
| Wenwoe | 1 | 1,957 | 1,957 | 10% | 1,930 | 1,930 | -6% |
| Total | 54 | 95,865 | 1,775 | | 110,768 | 2,051 | |