

Second Review of Scottish Parliament Boundaries Provisional Proposals – Constituency Names and designations

Action required

1. The Commission is invited to confirm constituency names and their designation for its constituency provisional proposals for the Second Review of Scottish Parliament Boundaries.
2. A list of the agreed constituency provisional proposal boundaries so far is at Appendix A with a summary by council area grouping and some suggested constituency names.

Background

3. The Commission's policy governing the naming of constituencies is detailed in its Second Review Guidance Booklet.
4. The booklet states: "Our recommendations for each constituency must include the name by which it should be known and whether it should be designated as a county constituency or a burgh constituency. The designation of a constituency affects the expenses allowable at elections.
5. The Act does not define the terms burgh constituency or county constituency. We consider that where constituencies include predominantly urban areas, they will normally be designated as burgh constituencies, and where constituencies are predominantly rural, they will normally be designated as county constituencies."
6. The Boundary Commission for Scotland's (BCS) Information Paper "Constituency names in Scotland since 1950" has been printed and is enclosed. The Information Paper includes the names of both UK and Scottish Parliament constituencies. It can also be found on the BCS website in the Information Papers section: https://www.bcomm-scotland.independent.gov.uk/sites/default/files/Constituency_names_since_1950.pdf.
7. The Commission will be aware that BCS are currently concluding their 2023 Review so some of the existing UK Parliament constituency names are likely to change.
8. The NRS Population Estimates for Settlements and Localities in Scotland, mid-2020 has also been printed. This lists the top 250 largest settlements. This can be viewed on the NRS website: <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/statistics-and-data/statistics/statistics-by-theme/population/population-estimates/settlements-and-localities/>.
9. A map of historical Counties is also enclosed.

Designations

10. Whilst legislation does not define the size of a Burgh or County constituency, Burgh constituencies are generally urban and County constituencies are more rural.
11. All of the existing burgh constituencies cover an area of 106 km² or less with one exception: Airdrie and Shotts burgh constituency (214 km²). All of the

existing county constituencies cover an area of 109 km² or more with three exceptions: Clydebank and Milngavie county constituency (71 km²); Kirkcaldy county constituency (100 km²); Cumbernauld and Kilsyth county constituency (105 km²).

Recommendation

12. The Secretariat recommends that the Commission agree its provisional proposals for constituency names and designations.

**Secretariat,
March 2023**

**Second Review of Scottish Parliament Boundaries – Provisional proposals
agreed constituency boundaries**

| Existing constituency name | Boundary |
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| Aberdeen Central | Unchanged |
| Aberdeen Donside | Unchanged |
| Aberdeen South and North Kincardine | Unchanged |
| Aberdeenshire East | TBC at Mintlaw |
| Aberdeenshire West | Unchanged |
| Airdrie and Shotts | Boundary amended by Newmains |
| Almond Valley | Boundary amended, now includes Armadale, Bathgate, Whitburn |
| Angus North and Mearns | Unchanged |
| Angus South | Unchanged |
| Argyll and Bute | Boundary amended, now includes Lomond North (Garelochhead) but not Helensburgh |
| Ayr | Unchanged |
| Banffshire and Buchan Coast | TBC at Mintlaw |
| Caithness, Sutherland and Ross | TBC |
| Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley | Unchanged |
| Clackmannanshire and Dunblane | Boundary amended by Doune |
| Clydebank and Milngavie | Boundary amended, now includes Bearsden but only part of Clydebank. Tbc |
| Clydesdale | Boundary amended by Strathaven/ Stonehouse to follow a ward |
| Coatbridge and Chryston | Boundary amended, no longer includes Steps/ Chryston but adds Bellshill |
| Cowdenbeath | Meeting Paper suggested Cowdenbeath, Inverkeithing and Rosyth. Boundary amended by Limekilns, Lochgelly and Burntisland |
| Cumbernauld and Kilsyth | Boundary amended, no longer includes Kilsyth but adds Steps/ Chryston |
| Cunninghame North | Unchanged |
| Cunninghame South | Boundary amended by Stewarton |
| Dumbarton | Boundary amended, now includes part of Clydebank but loses Garelochhead. Tbc |
| Dumfriesshire | Unchanged |
| Dundee City East | Unchanged |
| Dundee City West | Unchanged |
| Dunfermline | Boundary amended by Limekilns |
| East Kilbride | Boundary amended to follow ward, west of East Kilbride |
| East Lothian | Boundary amended, no longer includes Prestonpans |

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| Eastwood | TBC |
| Edinburgh Central | All Edinburgh boundaries amended |
| Edinburgh Eastern | All Edinburgh boundaries amended |
| Edinburgh Northern and Leith | All Edinburgh boundaries amended |
| Edinburgh Pentlands | All Edinburgh boundaries amended |
| Edinburgh Southern | All Edinburgh boundaries amended |
| Edinburgh Western | All Edinburgh boundaries amended |
| Ettrick, Roxburgh and Berwickshire | Unchanged |
| Falkirk East | Unchanged |
| Falkirk West | Unchanged |
| Galloway and West Dumfries | Unchanged |
| Glasgow Anniesland | All Glasgow boundaries amended tbc |
| Glasgow Cathcart | All Glasgow boundaries amended tbc |
| Glasgow Kelvin | All Glasgow boundaries amended tbc |
| Glasgow Maryhill and Springburn | All Glasgow boundaries amended tbc |
| Glasgow Pollok | All Glasgow boundaries amended tbc |
| Glasgow Provan | All Glasgow boundaries amended tbc |
| Glasgow Shettleston | All Glasgow boundaries amended tbc |
| Glasgow Southside | All Glasgow boundaries amended tbc |
| Greenock and Inverclyde | TBC |
| Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse | Boundary amended by Strathaven/ Stonehouse to follow a ward. Tbc |
| Inverness and Nairn | TBC |
| Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley | Boundary amended by Stewarton |
| Kirkcaldy | Boundary amended by Burntisland and Leven |
| Linlithgow | Boundary amended. Loses Bathgate and Whitburn. Gains South Queensferry, Kirkliston, Cramond, Silverknowes. |
| – | Livingston (new constituency) |
| Mid Fife and Glenrothes | Meeting Paper suggested Glenrothes. Boundary amended by Leven and Lochgelly |
| Midlothian North and Musselburgh | Only includes Dalkeith in Midlothian but also includes Prestonpans and Portobello |
| Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale | Tweeddale and Lauderdale no longer within constituency. Includes all of Midlothian except Dalkeith |
| Moray | Unchanged |
| Motherwell and Wishaw | Boundary amended by Newmains and now includes Holytown |
| Na h-Eileanan an Iar | n/a |
| North East Fife | Unchanged |
| Orkney Islands | n/a |
| Paisley | TBC |
| Perthshire North | Minor changes to follow ward boundaries by Perth |

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| Perthshire South and Kinross-shire | Minor changes to follow ward boundaries by Perth |
| Renfrewshire North and West | TBC |
| Renfrewshire South | TBC |
| Rutherglen | Boundary amended by Blantyre. Tbc |
| Shetland Islands | n/a |
| Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch | TBC |
| Stirling | Boundary amended by Doune |
| Strathkelvin and Bearsden | Now includes Bishopbriggs, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch |
| Uddingston and Bellshill | - (did include part of South Lanarkshire) |

Second Review of Scottish Parliament Boundaries by council area grouping

Dumfries and Galloway Council area – See map 1

Discussed meeting 9/12/2022 – Paper 25. Option 1 – no change.

- Dumfriesshire – unchanged
- Galloway and West Dumfries – unchanged

Suggestion – retain existing constituency names.

Existing UK Parliament names: Dumfries and Galloway, Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale

Dundee City Council area – See map 2

Discussed meeting 9/12/2022 – Paper 27. Option 1 – no change.

Dundee City East – unchanged

Dundee City West – unchanged

Suggestion – retain existing constituency names.

Existing UK Parliament names: Dundee East, Dundee West

Perth and Kinross Council area – See map 3

Discussed meeting 9/12/2022 – Paper 27. Option 1A – minor changes by Perth to align with ward boundaries.

- Perthshire North
- Perthshire South and Kinross-shire

Suggestion – retain existing constituency names.

Existing UK Parliament names: Ochil and South Perthshire, Perth and North Perthshire

Fife Council area – See map 4

Discussed meeting 9/12/2022 – Paper 28 and 9/2/2023 – Paper 30. Option 2A.

- North East Fife – unchanged
- Mid Fife and Glenrothes – now includes Cardenden
- Kirkcaldy – no longer includes Burntisland or Auchtertool
- Cowdenbeath – no longer includes Cardenden. Now includes Burntisland or Auchtertool and Limekilns
- Dunfermline – no longer includes Limekilns

Suggestion – retain existing constituency names where little change. Alternative names: Mid Fife; Glenrothes; Glenrothes and Leven; Kirkcaldy and Methil; Kirkcaldy and Buckhaven; Cowdenbeath, Burntisland, Dalgety Bay and Rosyth; West Fife

Existing UK Parliament names: North East Fife; Glenrothes; Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath; Dunfermline and West Fife

East Ayrshire, North Ayrshire, South Ayrshire Council areas – See map 5

Discussed meeting 9/2/2023 – Paper 31. Option 1A.

- Ayr – unchanged
- Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley – unchanged
- Cunninghame North – unchanged
- Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley – no longer includes Stewarton
- Cunninghame South – now includes Stewarton

Suggestion – retain existing constituency names where little change. Alternative names: Irvine, Kilwinning and Stewarton or Irvine, Kilwinning and Annick.

Existing UK Parliament names: North Ayrshire and Arran, Central Ayrshire, Kilmarnock and Loudoun, Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock

Clackmannanshire, Falkirk and Stirling Council areas – See map 6

Discussed meeting 9/2/2023 – Paper 33. Option 1A.

- Falkirk East – unchanged
- Falkirk West – unchanged
- Clackmannanshire and Dunblane – now includes Doune
- Stirling – no longer includes Doune

Suggestion – retain existing constituency names where little change. Alternative names: Clackmannanshire, Dunblane and Doune; Clackmannanshire and Teith; Stirling and Trossachs

Existing UK Parliament names: Stirling, Ochil and South Perthshire, Falkirk, Linlithgow and East Falkirk

City of Edinburgh, East Lothian, Midlothian and West Lothian Council areas – See map 7

Discussed meeting 9/2/2023 – Paper 35. 9/3/2023 – Paper 39. Option 2.

- Edinburgh Central – all boundaries changed.
- Edinburgh Eastern – all boundaries changed.
- Edinburgh Northern and Leith – all boundaries changed.
- Edinburgh Pentlands – all boundaries changed.
- Edinburgh Southern – all boundaries changed.
- Edinburgh Western – all boundaries changed.
- Almond Valley – all boundaries changed.
- Linlithgow – all boundaries changed.
- Midlothian North and Musselburgh – all boundaries changed.
- Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale – all boundaries changed.
- East Lothian – all boundaries changed.

Suggested alternative names: Edinburgh Western and Linlithgow; Bathgate and Whitburn; Edinburgh South Western; Mid Edinburgh; Edinburgh North Western.

Existing UK Parliament names: Linlithgow and East Falkirk, Livingston, Midlothian, East Lothian, Edinburgh: West; South West; North and Leith; South; East.

Highland Council area – see maps in paper 50

Discussed meeting 9/2/2023 – Paper 32. 9/3/2023 – Paper 37 (Option 1A). 6/4/2023 – Paper 50 TBC.

- Caithness, Sutherland and Ross – TBC see Paper 50.
- Inverness and Nairn – TBC see Paper 50.
- Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch – TBC see Paper 50.

Existing UK Parliament names: Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross; Ross, Skye and Lochaber; Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey.

Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire, Angus and Moray Council areas – see maps in paper 51

Discussed meeting 9/2/2023 – Paper 34. 9/3/2023 – Paper 38 (Option 1A). 6/4/2023 – Paper 51 TBC.

- Aberdeen Central – unchanged
- Aberdeen Donside – unchanged
- Aberdeen South and North Kincardine – unchanged
- Aberdeenshire East – unchanged
- Aberdeenshire West – TBC
- Angus North and Mearns – unchanged
- Angus South – unchanged
- Banffshire and Buchan Coast – TBC
- Moray – unchanged

Suggestion – retain existing constituency names as minor changes to existing boundary by Mintlaw.

Existing UK Parliament names: Banff and Buchan; Gordon; Moray; West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine; Aberdeen North; Aberdeen South; and Angus.

South Lanarkshire/ Scottish Borders – see maps in paper 47

Discussed meeting 9/3/2023 – Paper 40 (Option 2). 6/4/2023 – Paper 47 TBC.

- Ettrick, Roxburgh and Berwickshire – unchanged
- East Kilbride – minor change
- Rutherglen – minor change TBC
- Clydesdale – all boundaries changed.
- Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse – all boundaries changed.
- Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale – all boundaries changed.
- Uddingston and Bellshill – all boundaries changed.

Suggestion – retain existing constituency names where little change. Alternative names: Lanark and Tweeddale; Clyde Valley and Tweeddale; Larkhall, Carluke and Strathaven; Larkhall, Carluke, Avondale and Clydesdale South; Hamilton, Bothwell and Uddingston.

Existing UK Parliament names: Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk; Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale; East Kilbride, Strathaven and Lesmahagow; Lanark and Hamilton East; Rutherglen and Hamilton West.

Glasgow City, Inverclyde, Renfrewshire, East Renfrewshire Council areas – see maps in paper 49

9/3/2023 – Paper 41 (Option 2B). 6/4/2023 – Paper 49. TBC

- Eastwood – TBC see Paper 49.
- Greenock and Inverclyde – TBC see Paper 49.
- Paisley – TBC see Paper 49.
- Renfrewshire North and West – TBC see Paper 49.
- Renfrewshire South – TBC see Paper 49.
- Glasgow Anniesland – TBC see Paper 49.
- Glasgow Cathcart – TBC see Paper 49.
- Glasgow Kelvin – TBC see Paper 49.
- Glasgow Maryhill and Springburn – TBC see Paper 49.
- Glasgow Pollok – TBC see Paper 49.
- Glasgow Provan – TBC see Paper 49.
- Glasgow Shettleston – TBC see Paper 49.
- Glasgow Southside – TBC see Paper 49.

Existing UK Parliament names: East Renfrewshire; Glasgow Central; Glasgow East; Glasgow North; Glasgow North East; Glasgow North West; Glasgow South; Glasgow South West; Inverclyde; Paisley and Renfrewshire North; and Paisley and Renfrewshire South.

Argyll and Bute, West Dunbartonshire, East Dunbartonshire and North Lanarkshire Council areas – see maps in paper 48

Discussed meeting 9/3/2023 – Paper 42 (Option 4). 6/4/2023 – Paper 48. TBC

- Airdrie and Shotts – TBC see Paper 48
- Argyll and Bute– TBC see Paper 48
- Clydebank and Milngavie – TBC see Paper 48
- Coatbridge and Cryston – TBC see Paper 48
- Cumbernauld and Kilsyth – TBC see Paper 48
- Dumbarton – TBC see Paper 48
- Motherwell and Wishaw – TBC see Paper 48
- Strathkelvin and Bearsden – TBC see Paper 48
- Uddingston and Bellshill – TBC see Paper 48

Existing UK Parliament names: Argyll and Bute; Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill; Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East; East Dunbartonshire; Motherwell and Wishaw; and West Dunbartonshire.