

Second Review of Scottish Parliament Boundaries Final Recommendations/ Further Proposals Meeting Papers

Action required

1. The Commission is invited to consider the style of its final recommendations/ further proposals meeting papers.

Background

2. When developing its final recommendations meeting papers for both the 2018 Review and 2023 Review, the Boundary Commission for Scotland followed a style of meeting paper that could be easily replicated for the Review Final Report. This approach avoided a lot of repetition when drafting the Final Report. The First Review of Scottish Parliament Boundaries Final Report followed a similar method.
3. The Secretariat suggests that the Commission consider follow a similar approach for the Second Review Report and its meeting papers.
4. A draft template final recommendations/ further proposals meeting paper for Ayrshire is provided at Appendix A. The draft paper includes a sample constituency map style for the Final Report as well.
5. A copy of the First Review of Scottish Parliament Boundaries Report is available on the archived Boundary Commission for Scotland website, see link below https://webarchive.nrscotland.gov.uk/20190114232149mp_/http://www.bcom.m-scotland.independent.gov.uk/includes/downloadfile.asp?file=/1st_holyrood/final_rec/docs/1st_SP_Review_report.pdf. Printed copies of the First Review report can be posted or collected on request.
6. The Commission will wish to consider the style and structure of its Final Report for the Second Review at a later meeting. The Report must be submitted to Parliament before 1 May 2025.

Recommendation

7. The Commission is invited to suggest any changes or additions to the draft meeting paper, including the map style for the Final Report in Appendix A.

Secretariat
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