

The Second Review of  
Scottish Parliament Boundaries

# Provisional Proposals for Constituencies



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## **Introduction**

1. Boundaries Scotland is an independent advisory non-departmental public body sponsored and wholly funded by the Scottish Government. Our role in this review is to make recommendations for: the boundaries and names for constituencies and regions for the Scottish Parliament.

## **Second Review of Scottish Parliament Boundaries**

2. We commenced the Second Review of Scottish Parliament Boundaries in September 2022. The Review is required by the Scotland Act 1998 and we must submit a report containing our recommendations to Scottish Ministers by 1 May 2025. If subsequently approved by the Scottish Parliament, the new boundaries will be effective at the next Scottish Parliament election, expected in May 2026.
3. The rules state we must review and make recommendations for the boundaries of 73 constituencies and eight regions. Three constituencies are defined in legislation and are not under review, they are: Na h-Eileanan an Iar; Orkney Islands; and Shetland Islands. The overall number of MSPs will remain at 129.
4. Our review does not affect UK Parliament boundaries, council area or ward boundaries or any services provided within them.
5. For further information on the policies and procedures we have adopted to underpin this review and the legal requirements for constituency design, please refer to our Policies and Procedures booklet, which is available on our website [www.boundaries.scot](http://www.boundaries.scot).
6. The existing constituencies have remained unchanged since 2011 and were used in the 2011, 2016 and 2021 Scottish Parliament elections.
7. Since the last review which reported in 2010 there has been significant change to the electorate, including the extension of the franchise for Scottish Parliamentary elections to those 16 and over. Changes to the population and the electorate have varied across Scotland, with some areas experiencing significant increases and others remaining relatively unchanged or falling. Even areas which have not experienced population growth or reduction may find that the constituency boundaries alter as a result of change required elsewhere to ensure that all constituencies and regions are of a similar electoral size.

## Our Provisional Proposals - Constituencies

8. In our proposals:
  - 21 constituencies are unchanged (including the three protected island constituencies).
  - one constituency retains its boundary but with a new name.
  - 26 constituencies have new boundaries but retain their existing names.
  - 25 constituencies have both new names and new boundaries.
9. Maps of each proposed constituency can be found in this document. A table also shows what has changed from the existing constituencies such as the constituency name, boundary or both the boundary and name. There is also a table showing which proposed constituencies overlap existing constituencies.
10. We have developed our Provisional Proposals using electorate data from 1 September 2022. The number of electors registered in each council area electoral ward can be found on our website.

## Public consultation on our Provisional Proposals for Constituencies

11. We are now consulting the public on our Provisional Proposals. Details of how to participate in the consultation are given below. This public consultation will inform any Revised or Further Recommendations for consultation later in 2023 or 2024.
12. The public consultation on our Provisional Proposals runs from 17 May 2023 until 17 June 2023.
13. You can tell us what you think of our proposals by leaving a comment on our consultation site: **[consult.boundaries.scot](https://consult.boundaries.scot)**
14. On the consultation site you can view the boundaries of our Provisional Proposals and compare them with the existing constituency boundaries. Maps of each constituency and further information will also be available to download.
15. We welcome all comments on our proposals, whether in support or not, to help inform our deliberations. Maintaining public confidence in the review process is a key part of our responsibilities. We place great importance on representations made to us during the consultation stages of a review.
16. Where comments contain suggestions for improvements to our proposals it would be helpful if they were accompanied by an alternative proposal that takes account of statutory requirements and considers the consequences for the wider area. We also welcome suggestions of alternative names for constituencies. All comments will be evaluated by the quality of argument and the evidence provided, within the legislative framework for the review. We are unable to accept comments via social media.

17. Comments can be made in the following ways:

- Consultation site: **consult.boundaries.scot**
- in writing to: Boundaries Scotland, Thistle House,  
91 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD
- by email to: boundaries.scot@scottishboundaries.gov.uk

18. During the consultation period we display our proposals at Display Points. There is at least one Display Point in each proposed constituency. A full list of Display Points is available on our website [www.boundaries.scot](http://www.boundaries.scot)

### **Further Stages**

19. Depending on responses to this consultation stage we may hold a one month consultation on Revised Recommendations for constituencies later in 2023 and we may need to hold a number of local inquiries. We may also consult on Further Recommendations for constituencies in 2024.

20. We expect to consult on our proposals for regions in 2024.

21. We will submit our Final Recommendations to the Scottish Parliament in 2025.

## Provisional Proposals for Constituencies

Constituency Name	Electorate	Area (sq. km)	Designation	Changes from existing
Aberdeen Central	55,994	26	Burgh	U
Aberdeen Donside	62,531	92	County	U
Aberdeen South and North Kincardine	61,544	197	County	U
Aberdeenshire East	60,667	1,278	County	B
Aberdeenshire West	59,983	3,532	County	U
Airdrie, Newmains and Shotts	66,243	223	County	BN
Angus North and Mearns	55,006	1,427	County	U
Angus South	58,622	1,319	County	U
Argyll and Bute	55,737	7,096	County	B
Ayr	62,566	49	Burgh	U
Banff and Buchan Coast	61,992	1,076	County	BN
Bathgate and Almond Valley	61,257	189	County	BN
Bearsden, Milngavie and Clydebank North	58,415	68	Burgh	BN
Bellshill and Coatbridge	63,361	43	Burgh	BN
Caithness, Sutherland and Ross	56,532	12,792	County	U
Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley	59,218	2,083	County	U
Clackmannanshire and Dunblane	55,421	461	County	B
Clyde Valley and Tweeddale	60,443	2,518	County	BN
Cowdenbeath	59,195	153	County	B
Cumbernauld and Chryston	62,578	90	County	BN
Cunninghame North	56,604	777	County	U
Cunninghame South	62,113	243	County	B
Dumbarton and Helensburgh	57,666	222	County	BN
Dumfriesshire	61,848	2,879	County	U
Dundee City East	56,030	28	Burgh	U
Dundee City West	56,705	35	Burgh	U
Dunfermline	60,987	202	County	B
East Kilbride	61,700	54	Burgh	B
East Lothian	59,385	670	County	B
Edinburgh Central	59,203	14	Burgh	B
Edinburgh Eastern	64,870	29	Burgh	B
Edinburgh Forth and Linlithgow	55,866	167	County	BN
Edinburgh Northern and Leith	59,650	13	Burgh	B
Edinburgh Pentlands	55,545	108	County	B
Edinburgh Southern	60,377	21	Burgh	B
Edinburgh Western	59,884	20	Burgh	B
Ettrick, Roxburgh and Berwickshire	55,131	3,194	County	U
Falkirk East	61,529	206	County	U
Falkirk West	63,861	109	County	U
Fife North East	56,669	774	County	N
Galloway and West Dumfries	57,094	3,797	County	U
Glasgow Anniesland	60,545	18	Burgh	B
Glasgow Cardonald and Pollok	54,058	20	Burgh	BN
Glasgow Central and Govan	61,924	21	Burgh	BN
Glasgow Kelvin and Maryhill	64,836	21	Burgh	BN

Glasgow Priesthill and Giffnock	63,822	29	Burgh	BN
Glasgow Shettleston and Baillieston	65,738	29	Burgh	BN
Glasgow Southside and Cathcart	58,859	18	Burgh	BN
Glasgow Springburn and Provan	59,829	35	Burgh	BN
Hamilton and Uddingston	54,496	51	Burgh	BN
Inverclyde	60,794	174	County	BN
Inverness and Nairn	69,113	1,314	County	B
Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley	54,927	258	County	B
Kirkcaldy	55,100	65	Burgh	B
Kirkintilloch and Kilsyth	62,771	195	County	BN
Larkhall and Clydesdale	57,386	668	County	BN
Livingston	56,009	138	County	BN
Mid Fife and Glenrothes	58,436	178	County	B
Midlothian North and Musselburgh	55,122	51	Burgh	B
Midlothian South	64,424	339	County	BN
Moray	63,133	2,056	County	U
Motherwell	62,652	58	Burgh	BN
Na h-Eileanan an Iar	21,769	3,270	County	U
Orkney Islands	17,696	1,087	County	U
Paisley and Renfrew	63,856	37	Burgh	BN
Perthshire North	59,944	3,979	County	B
Perthshire South and Kinross-shire	60,095	1,442	County	B
Renfrewshire South	61,966	267	County	B
Renfrewshire West	61,690	126	County	BN
Rutherglen	62,400	33	Burgh	B
Shetland Islands	17,965	1,657	County	U
Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch	63,573	12,367	County	B
Stirling	55,613	1,958	County	B

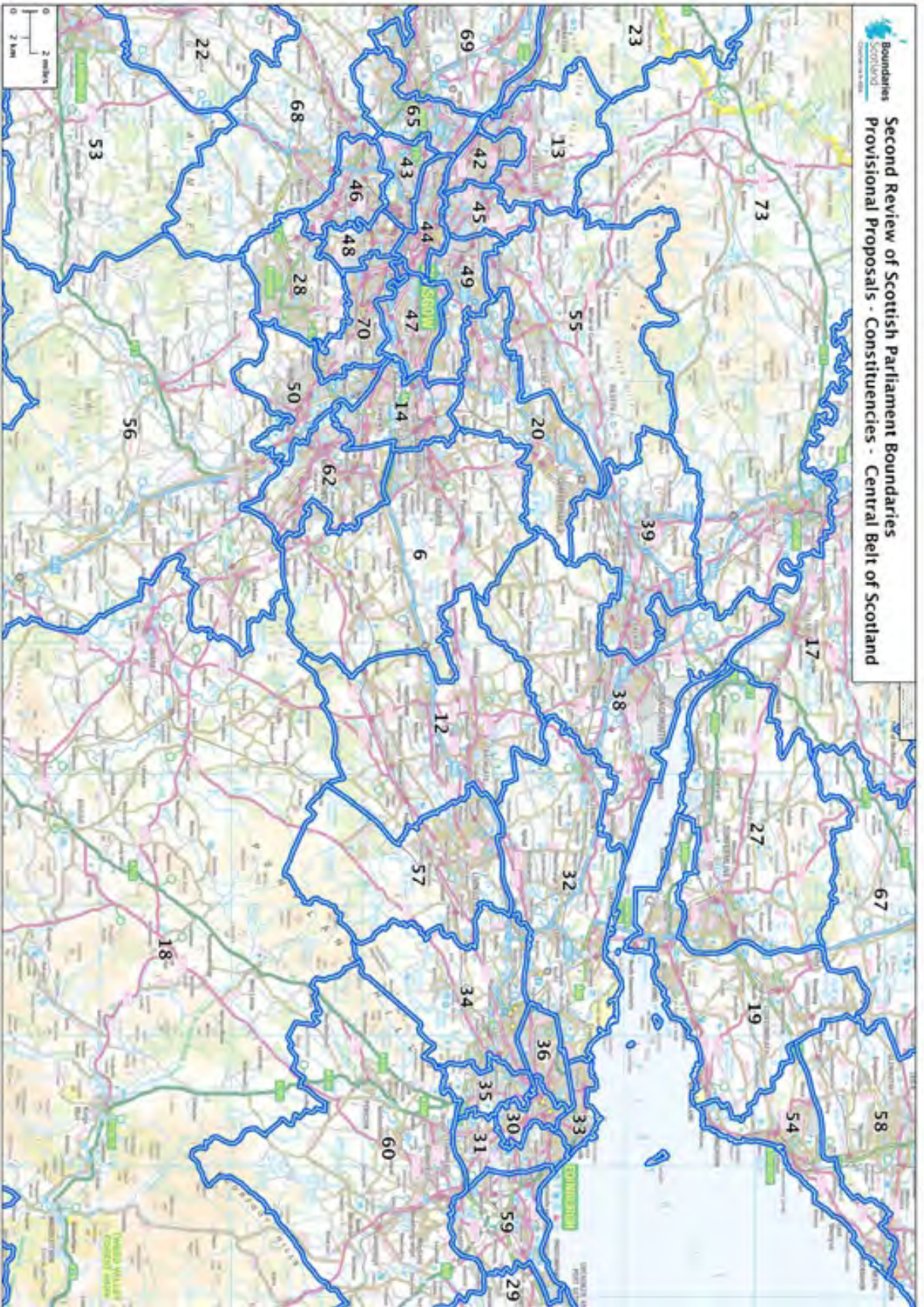
B – boundary changed from existing constituency. Name unchanged.

BN – new constituency boundary and new constituency name.

N – name changed. Boundary unchanged from existing constituency.

U – unchanged.

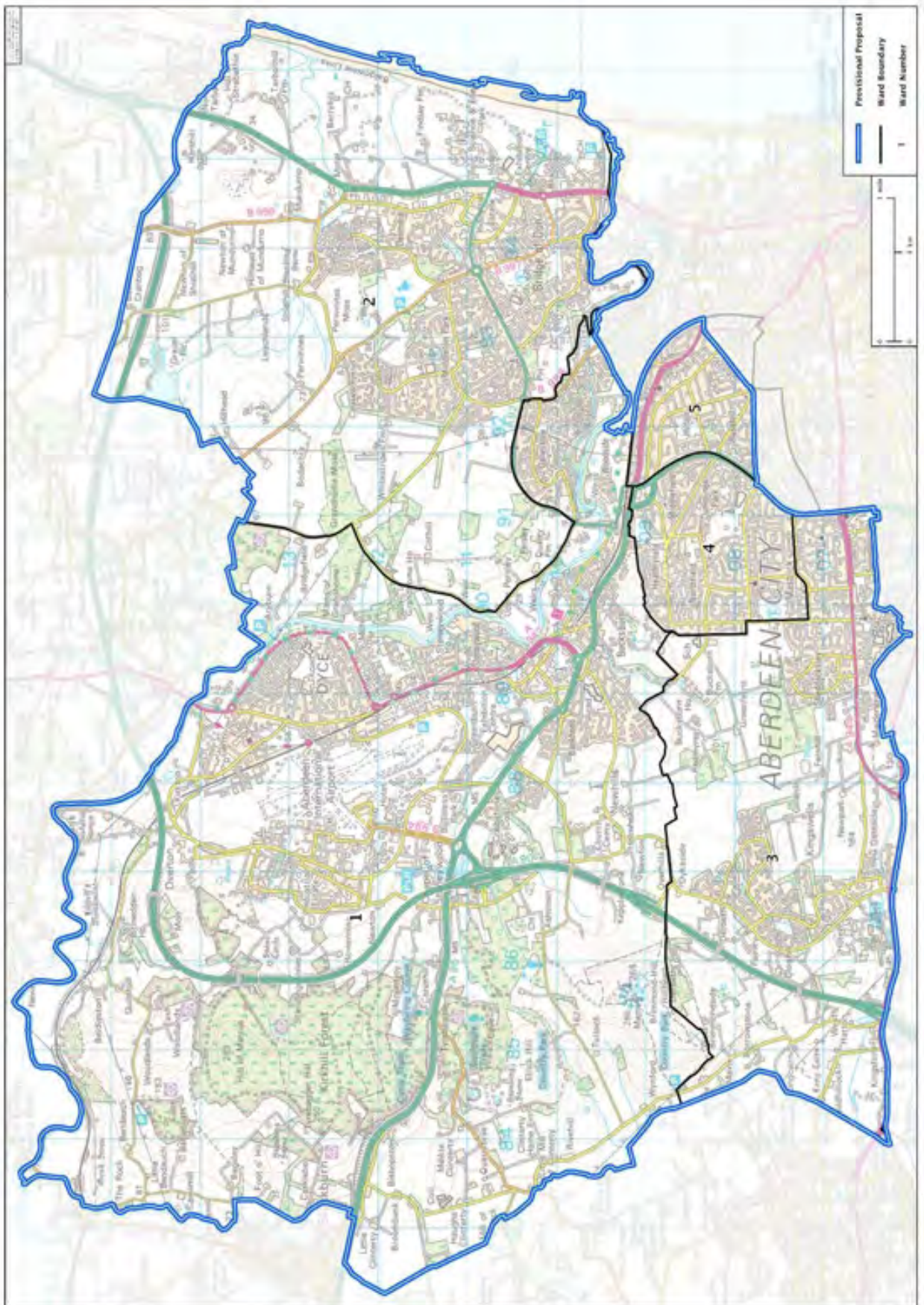




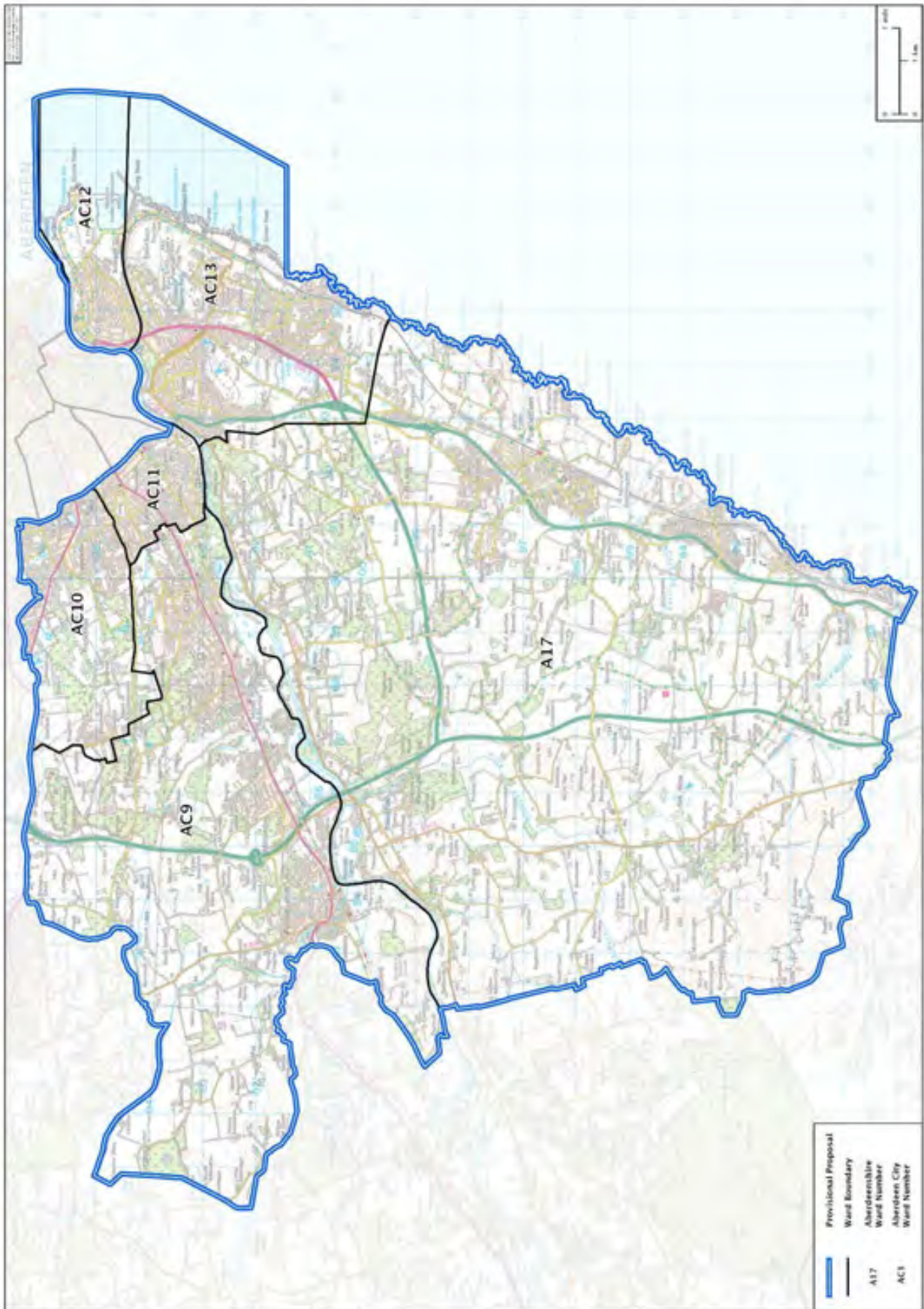
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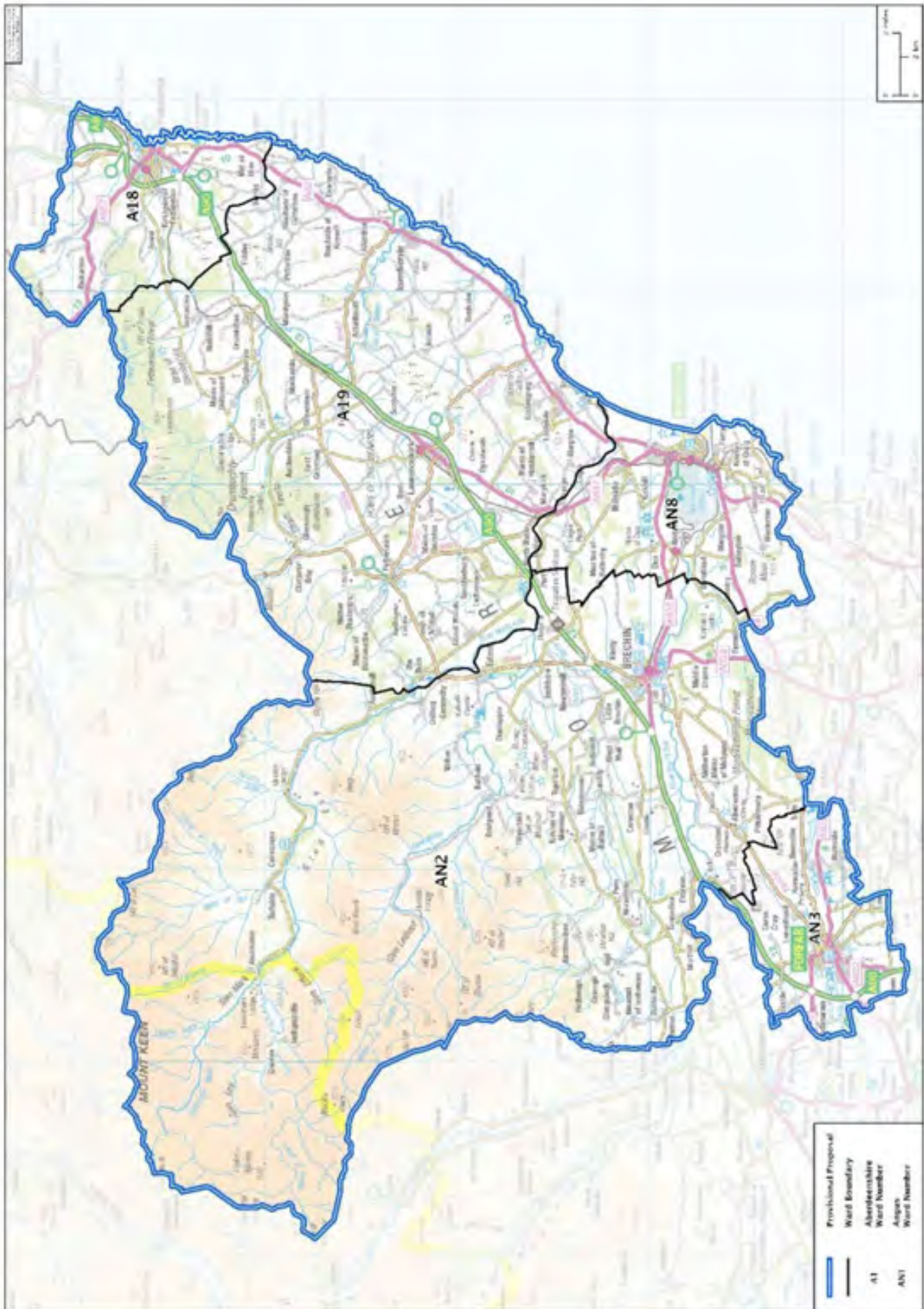
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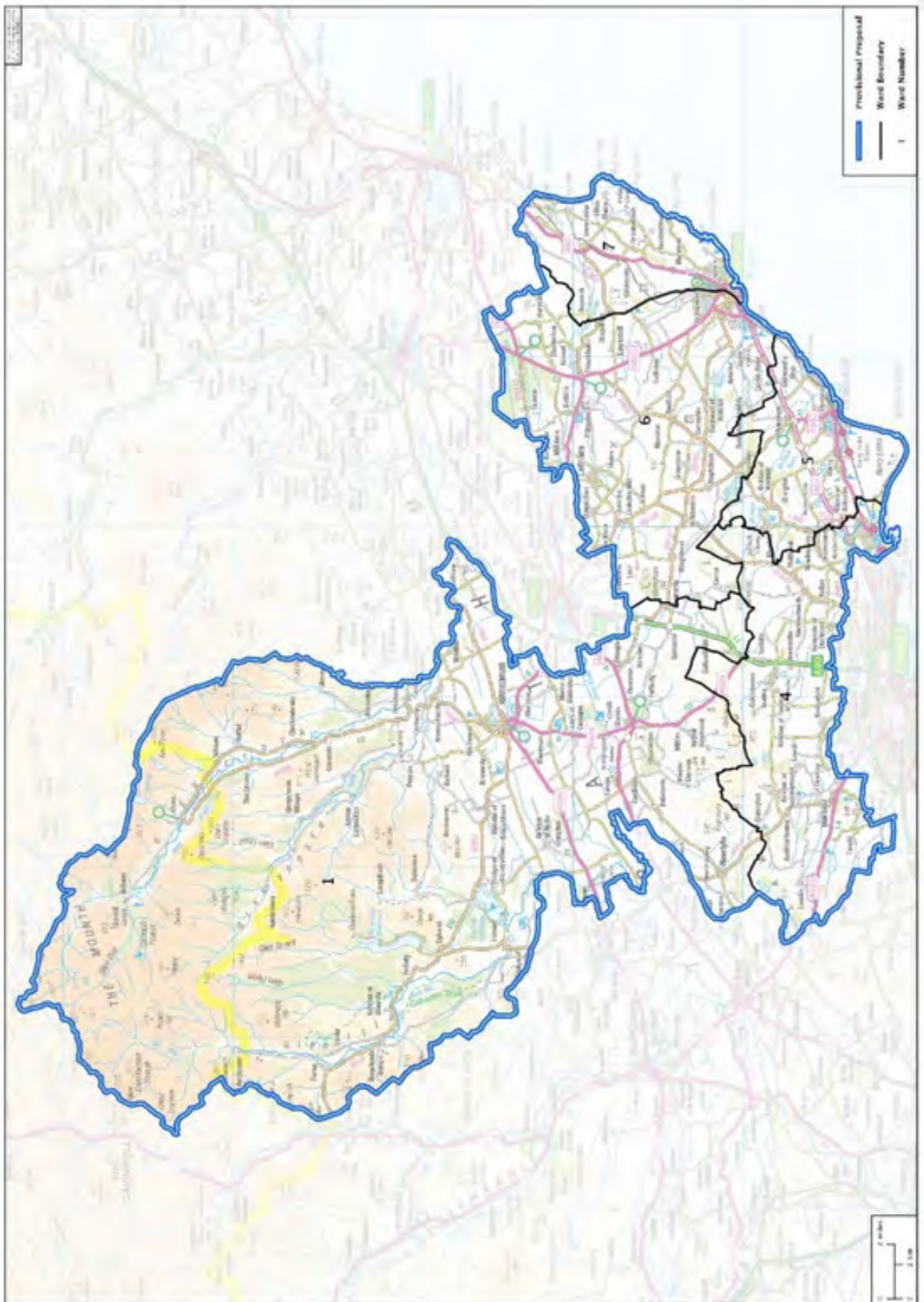
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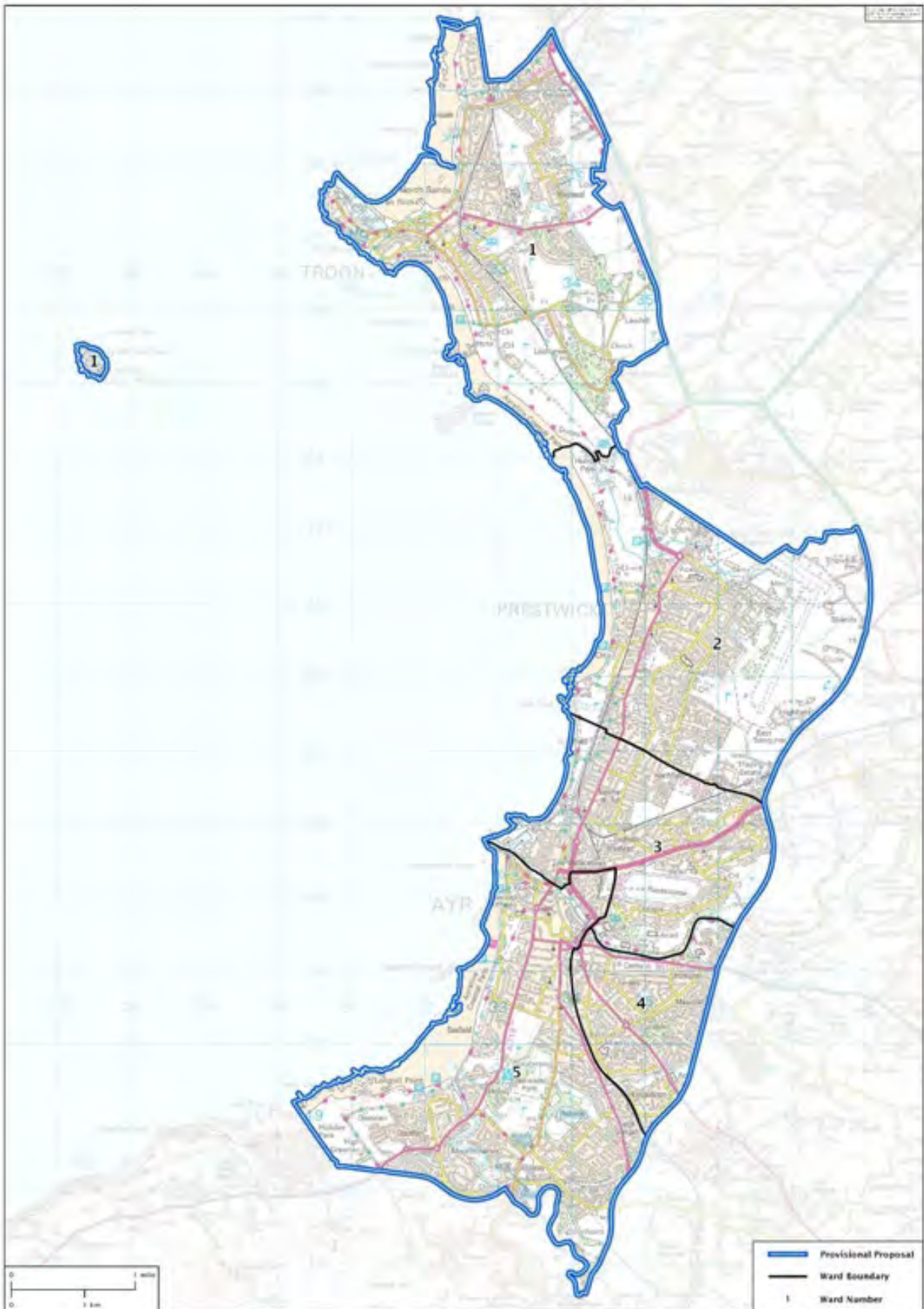
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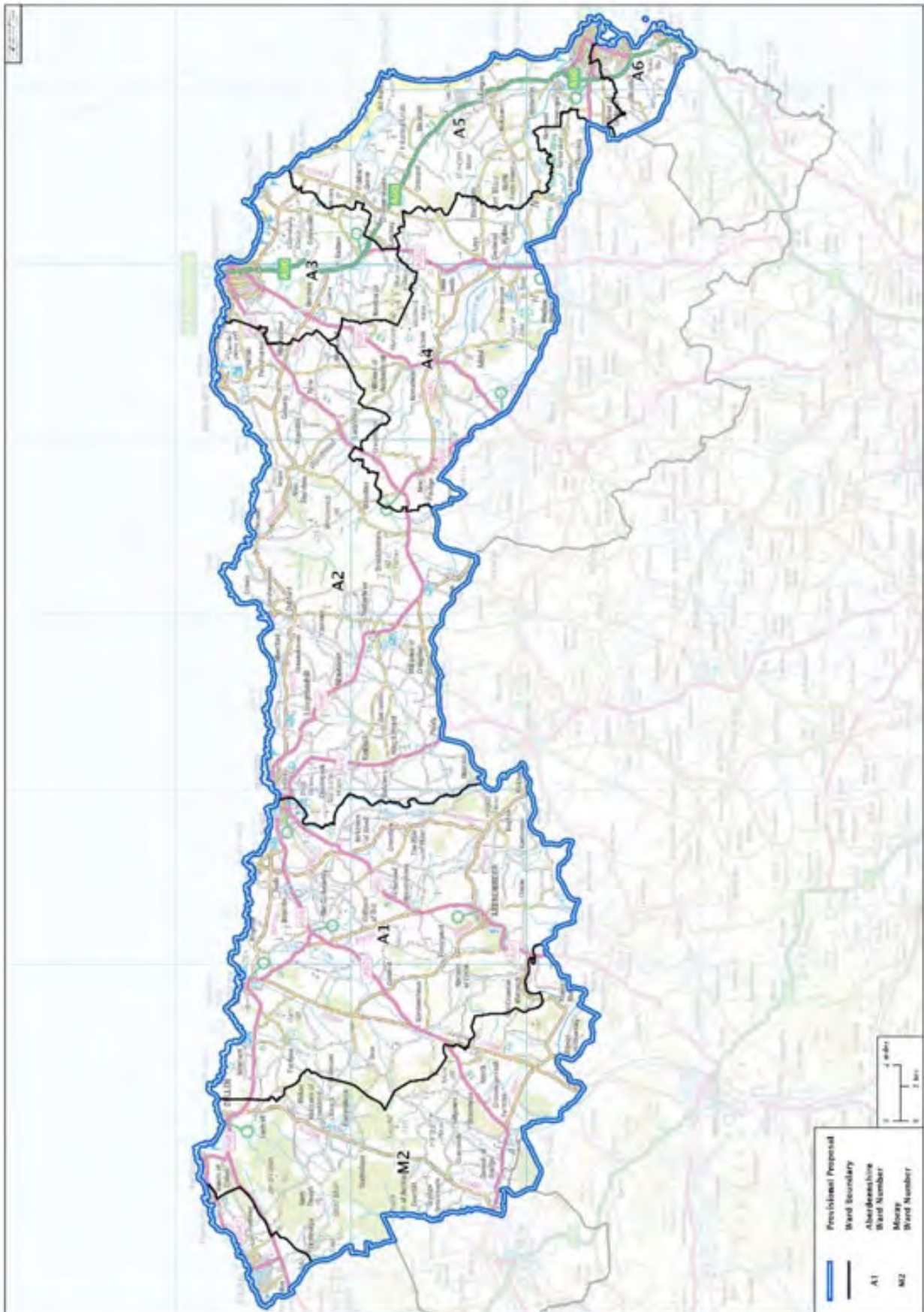
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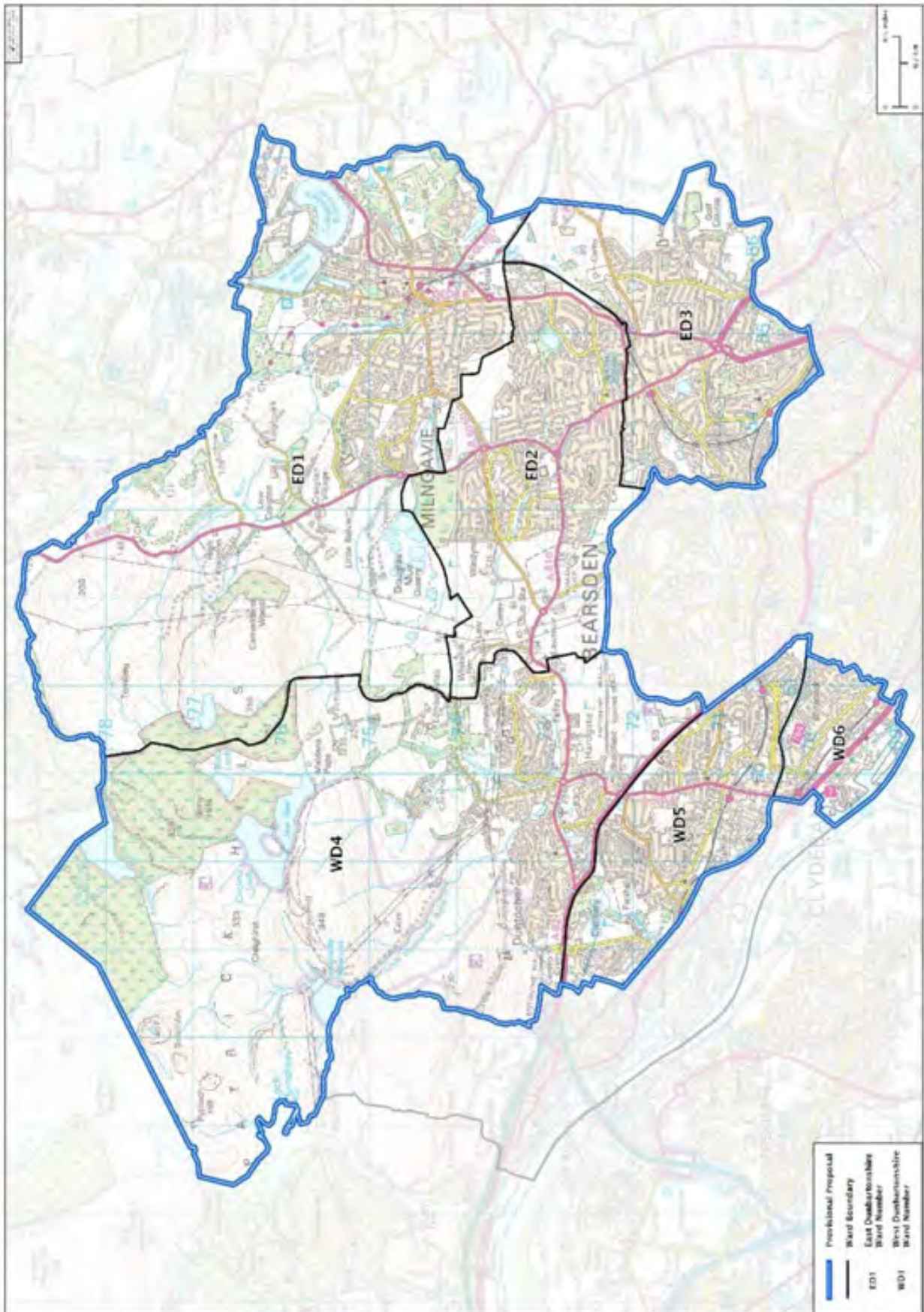
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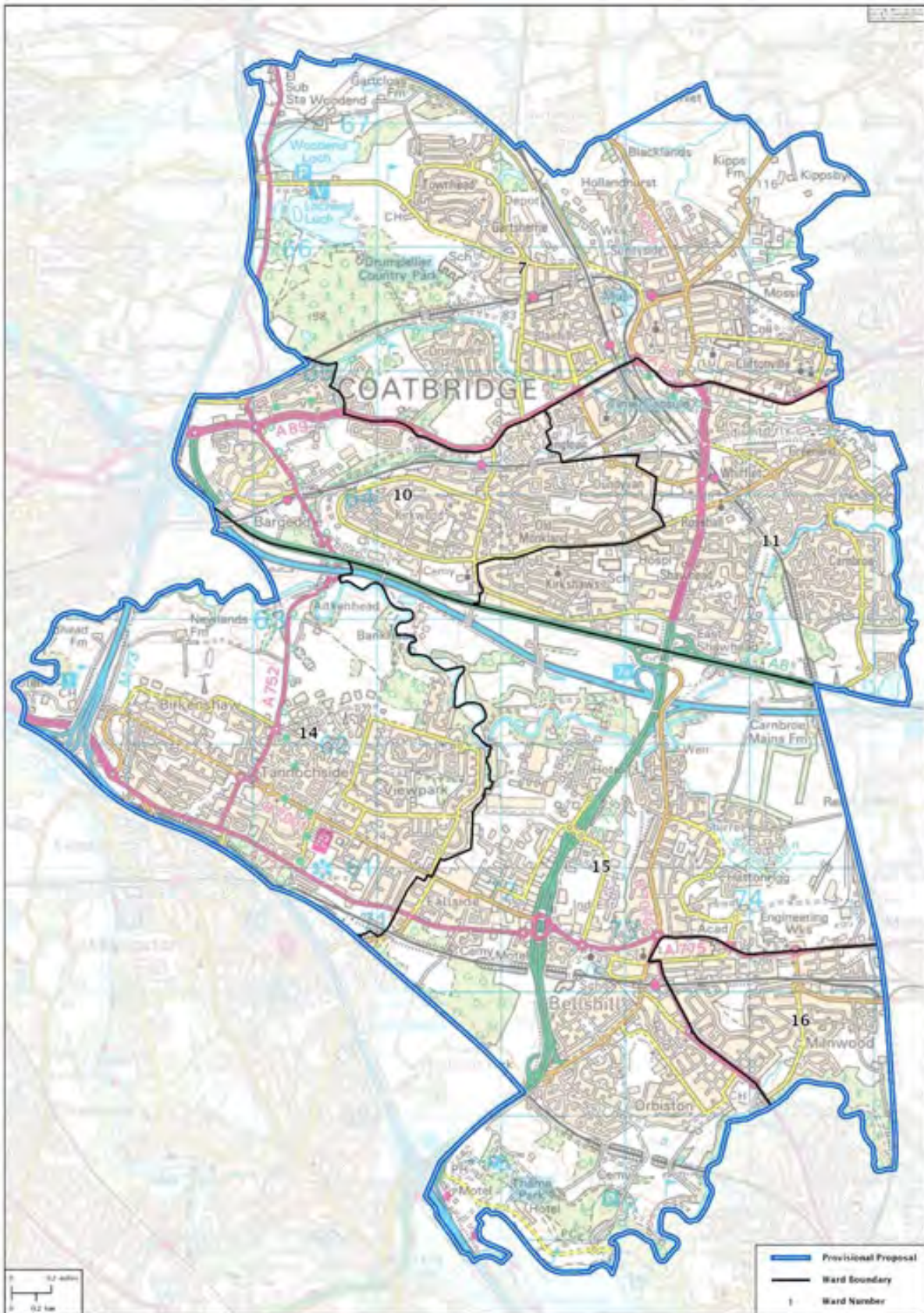
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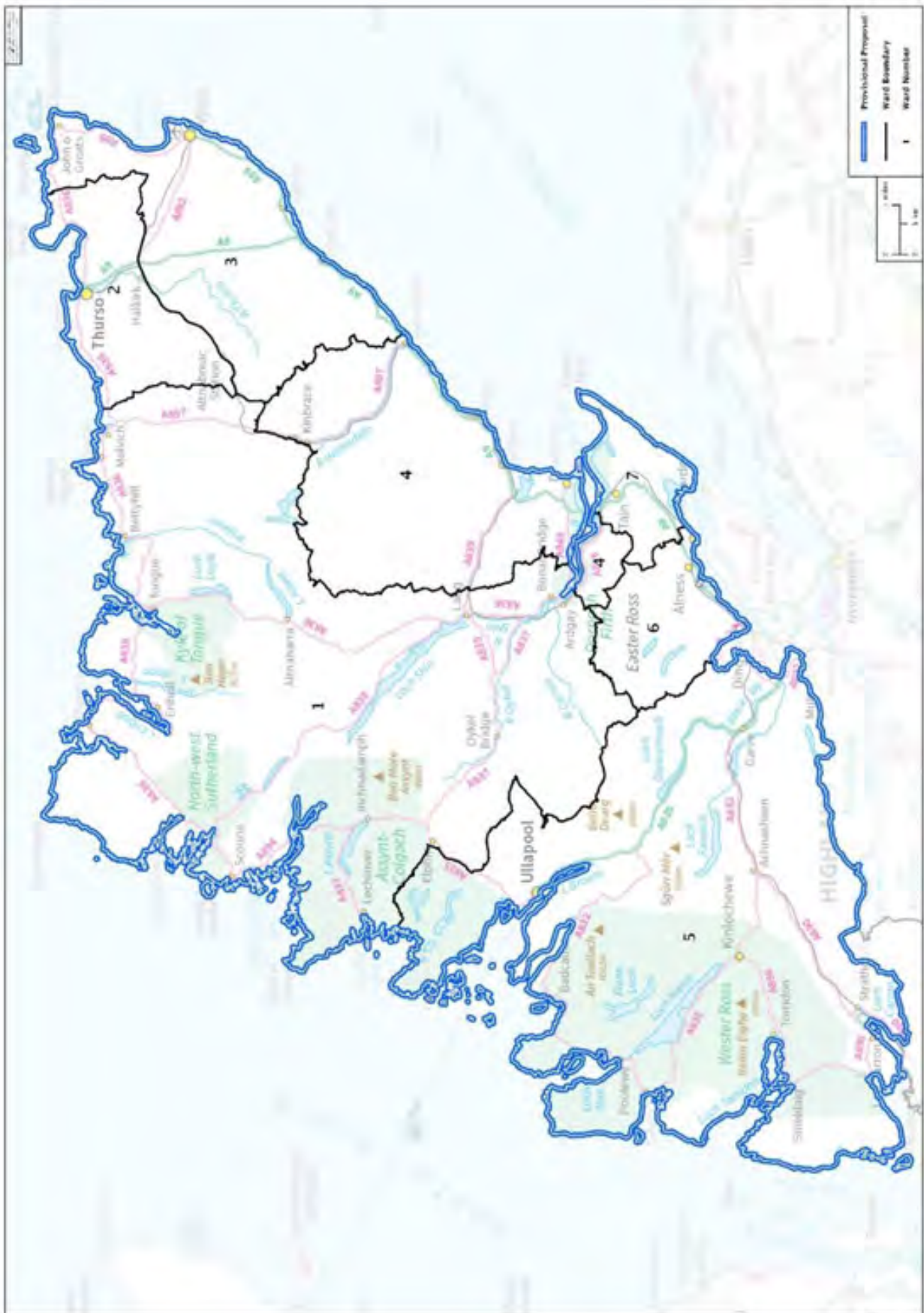
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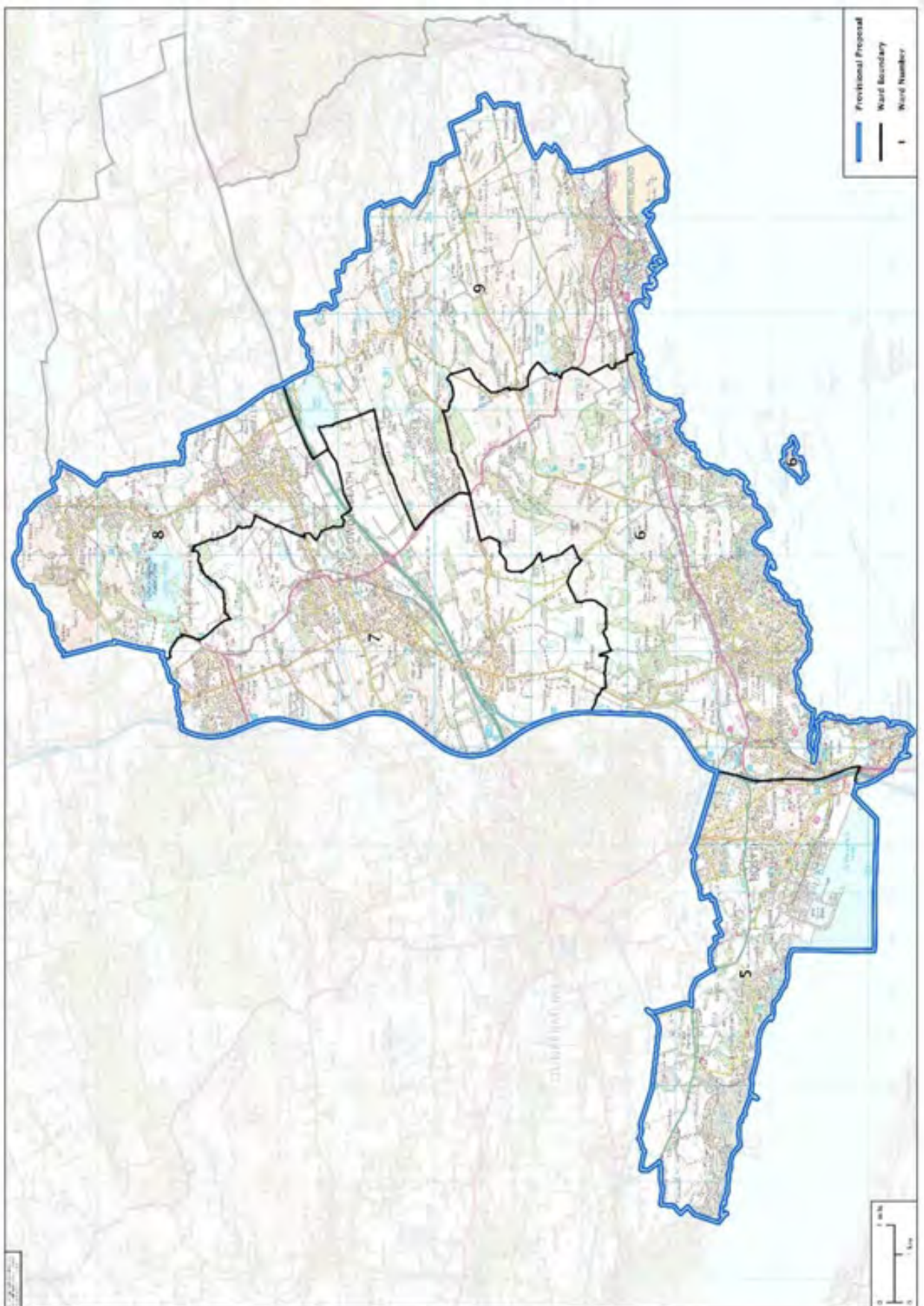




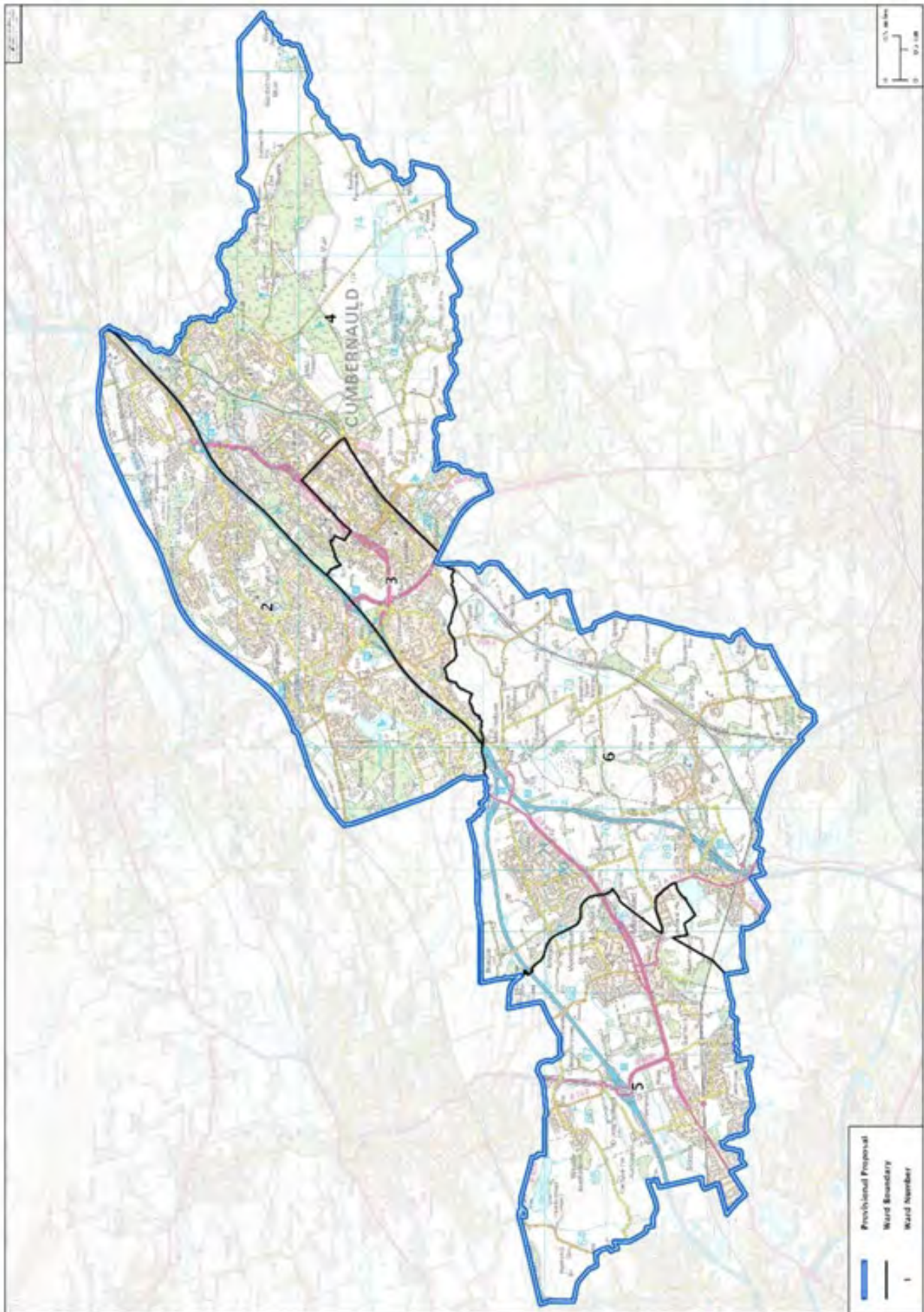
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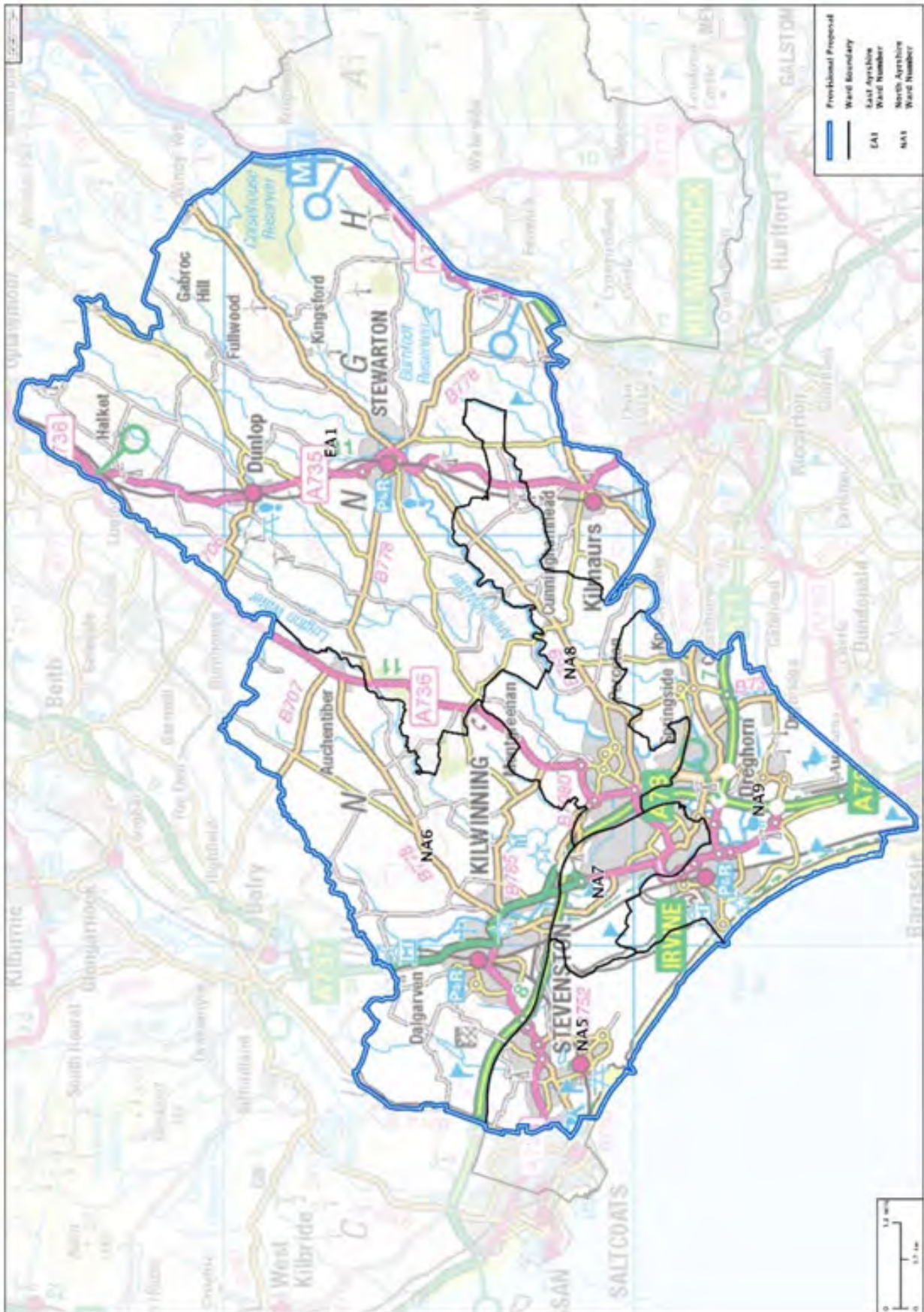
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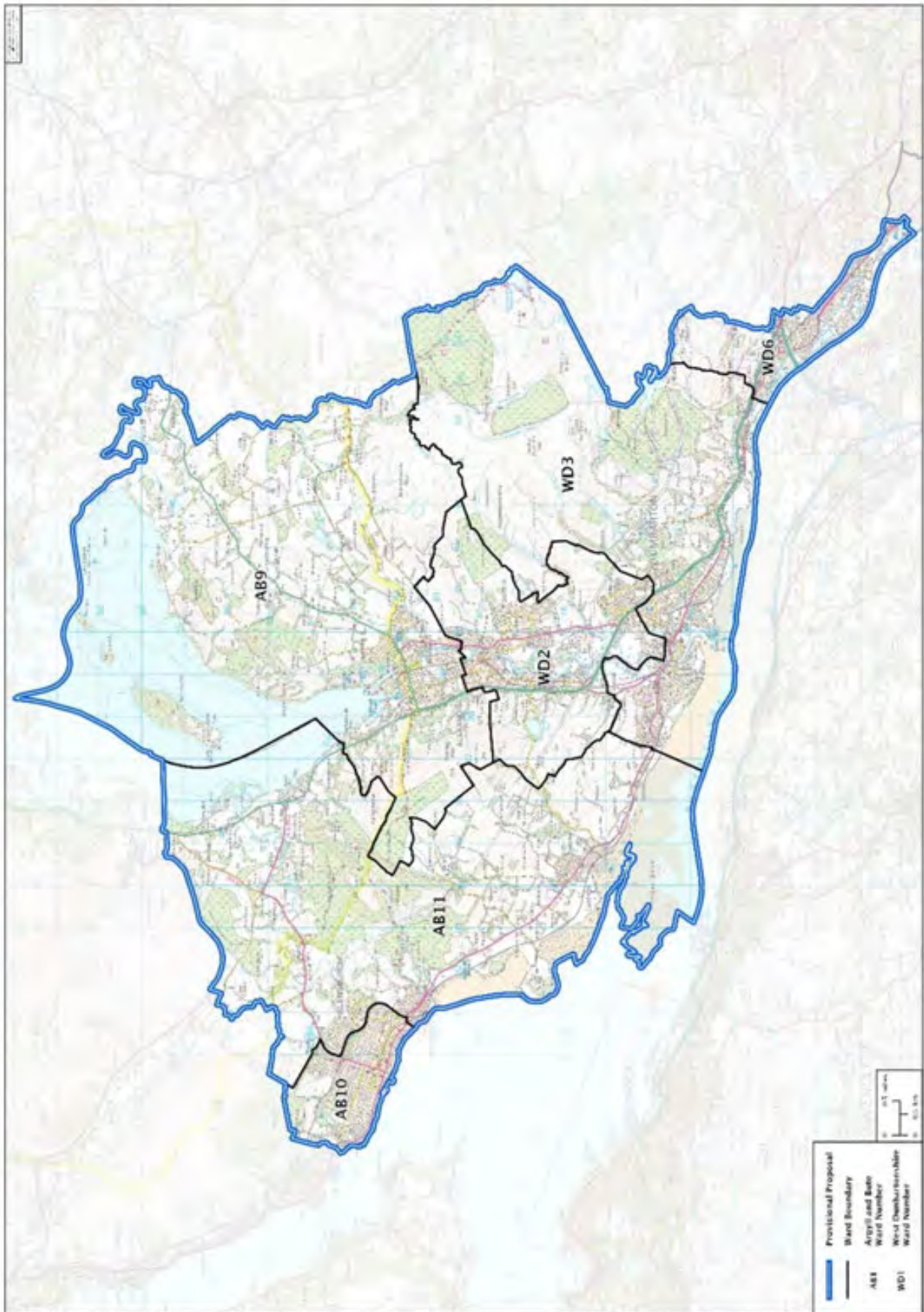
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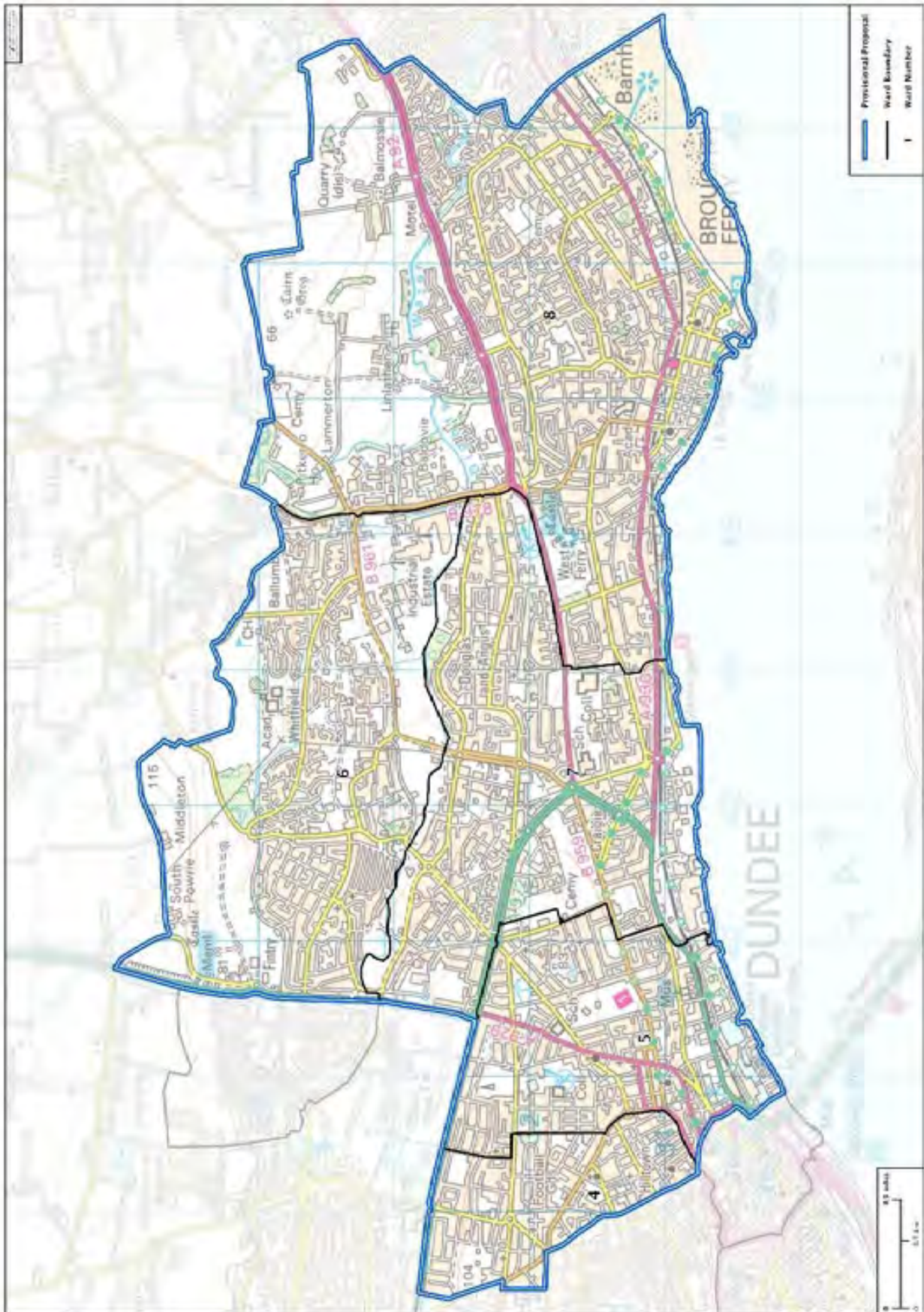
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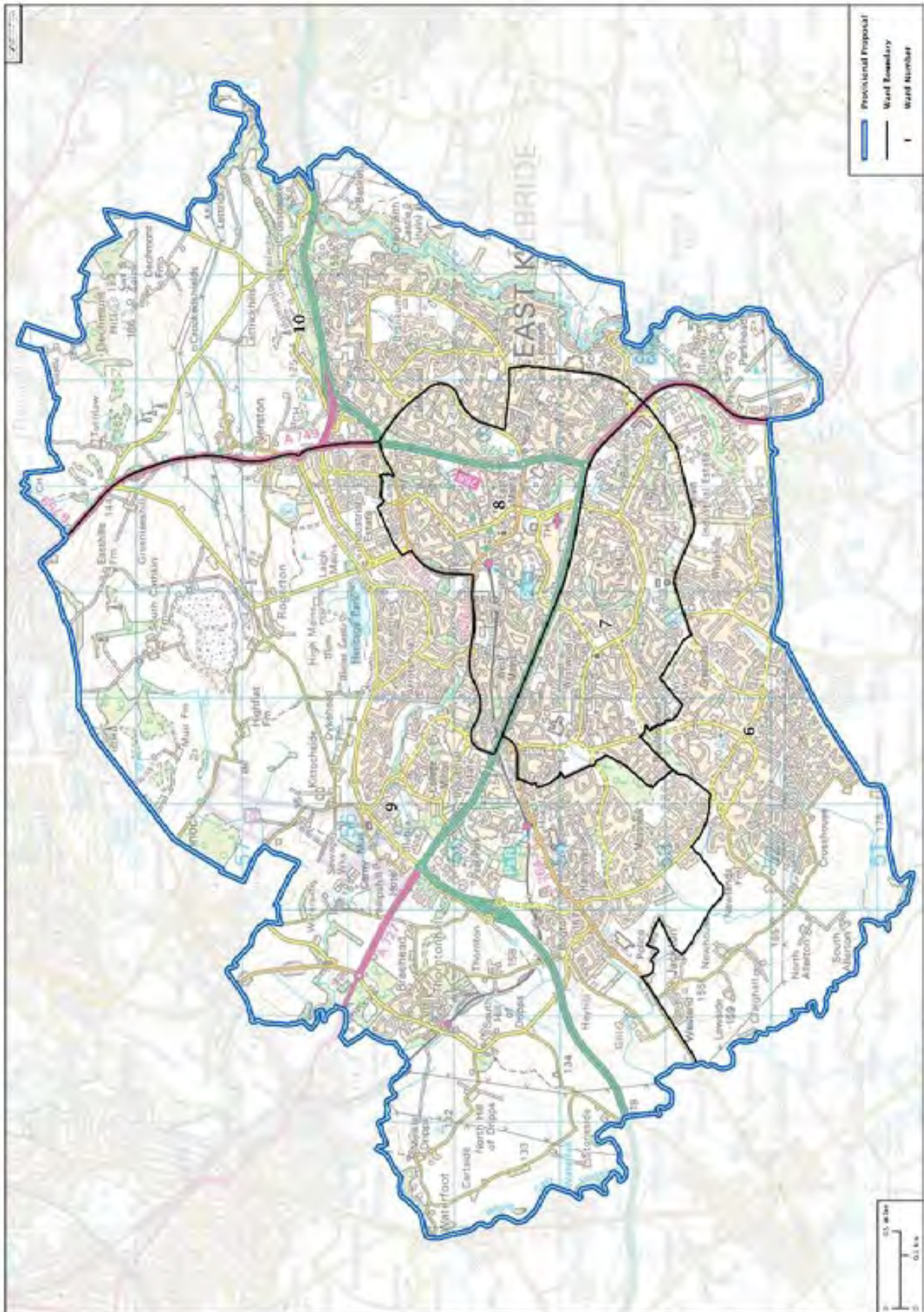
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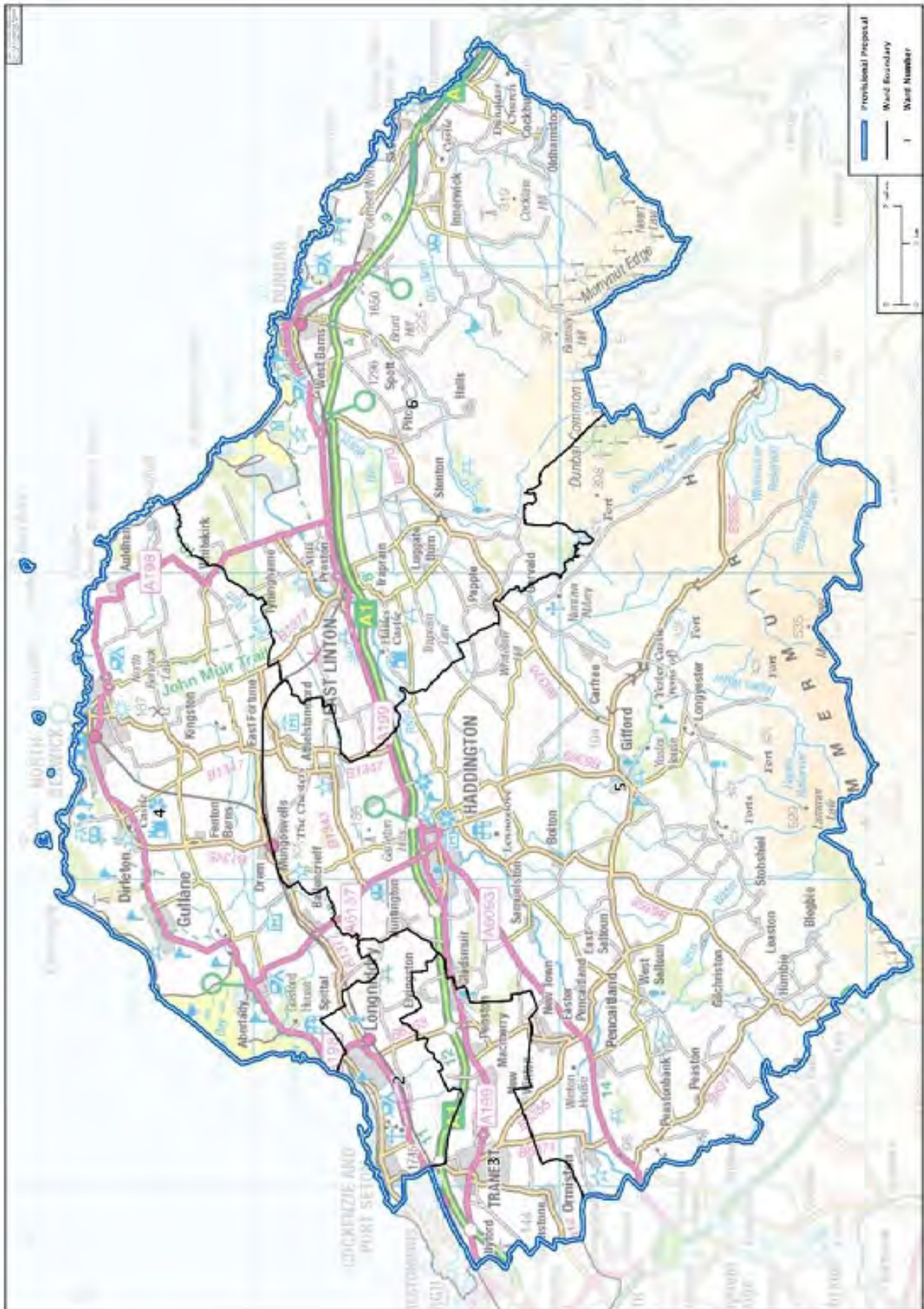
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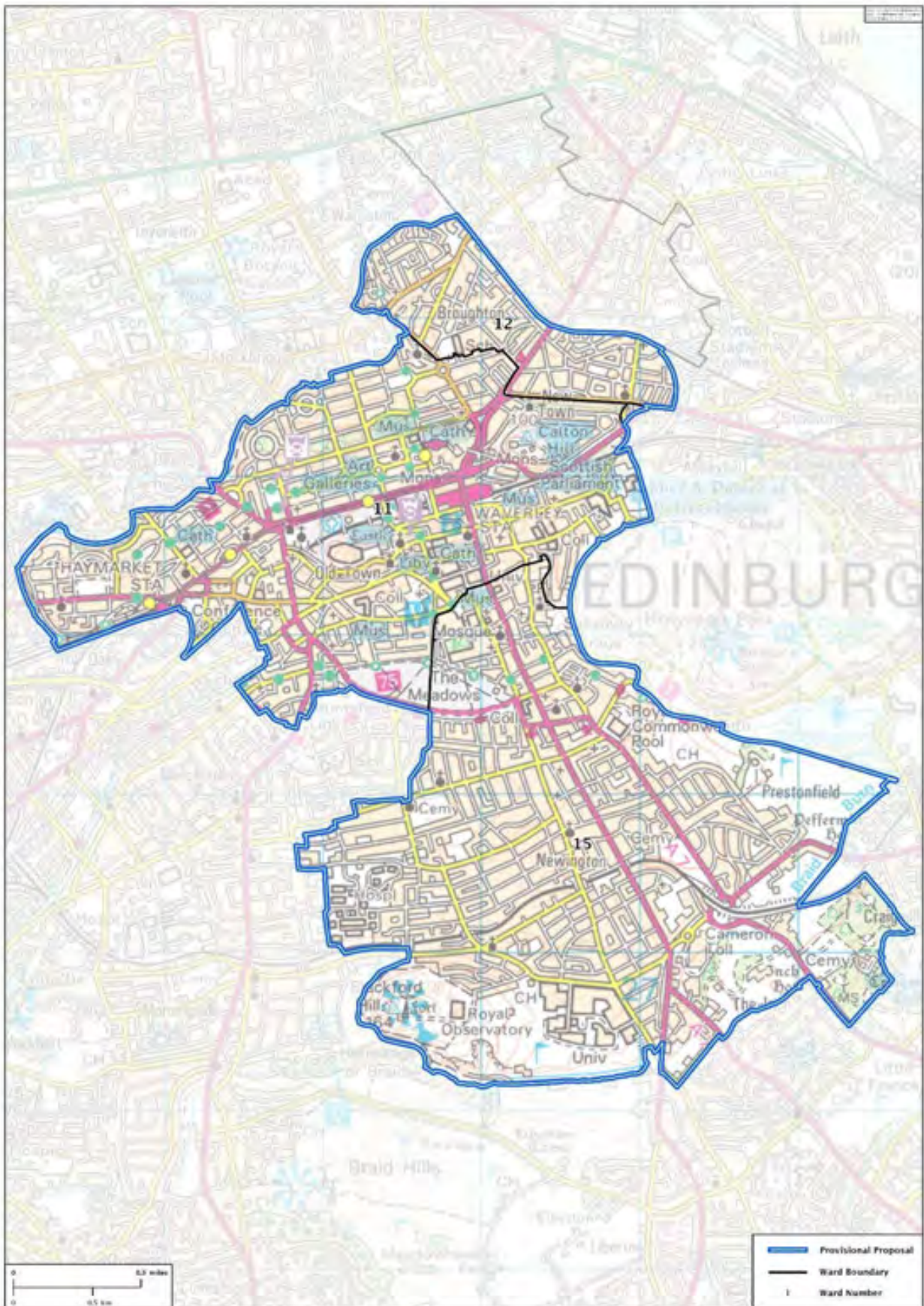
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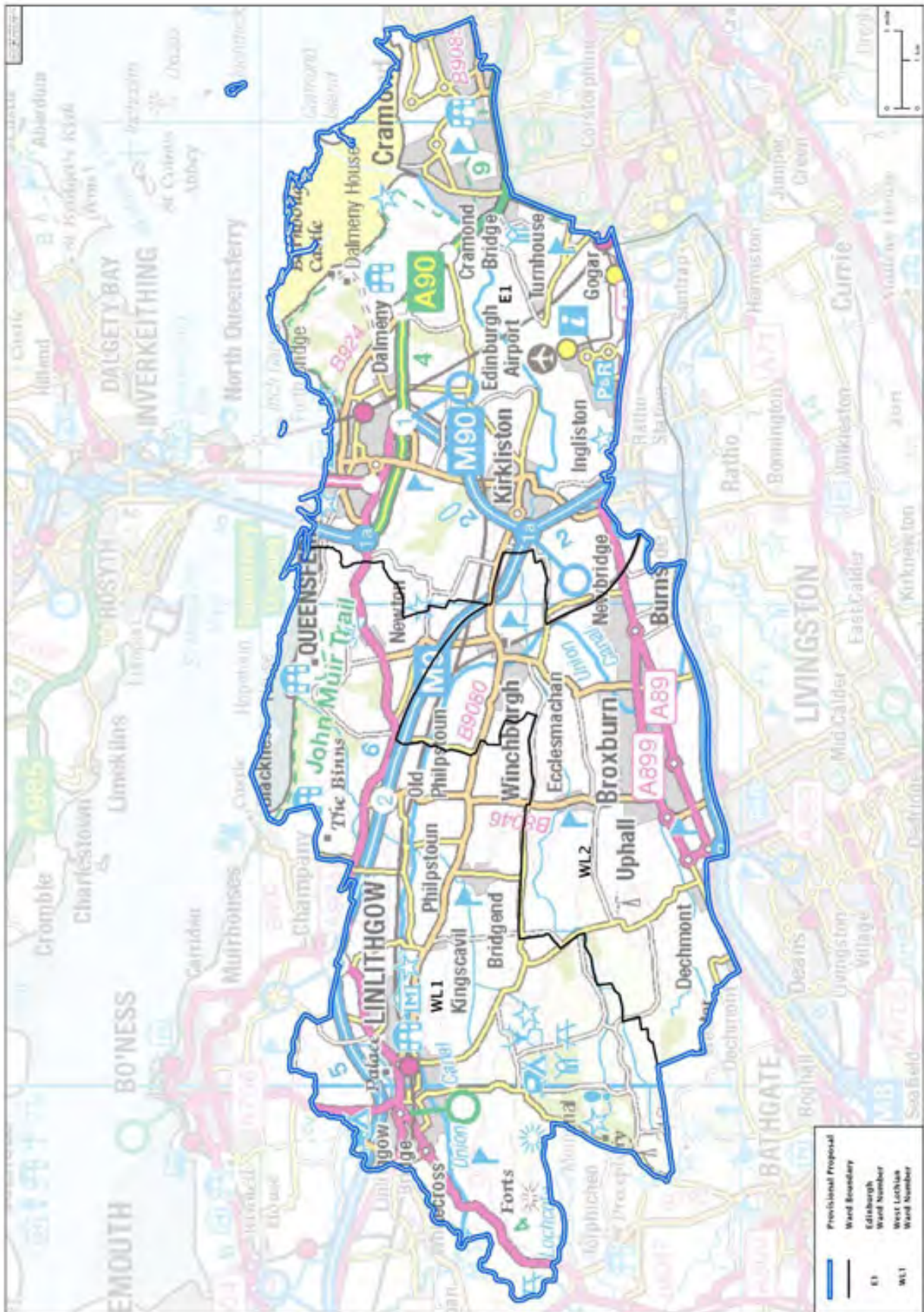
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Edinburgh Forth and Linlithgow  
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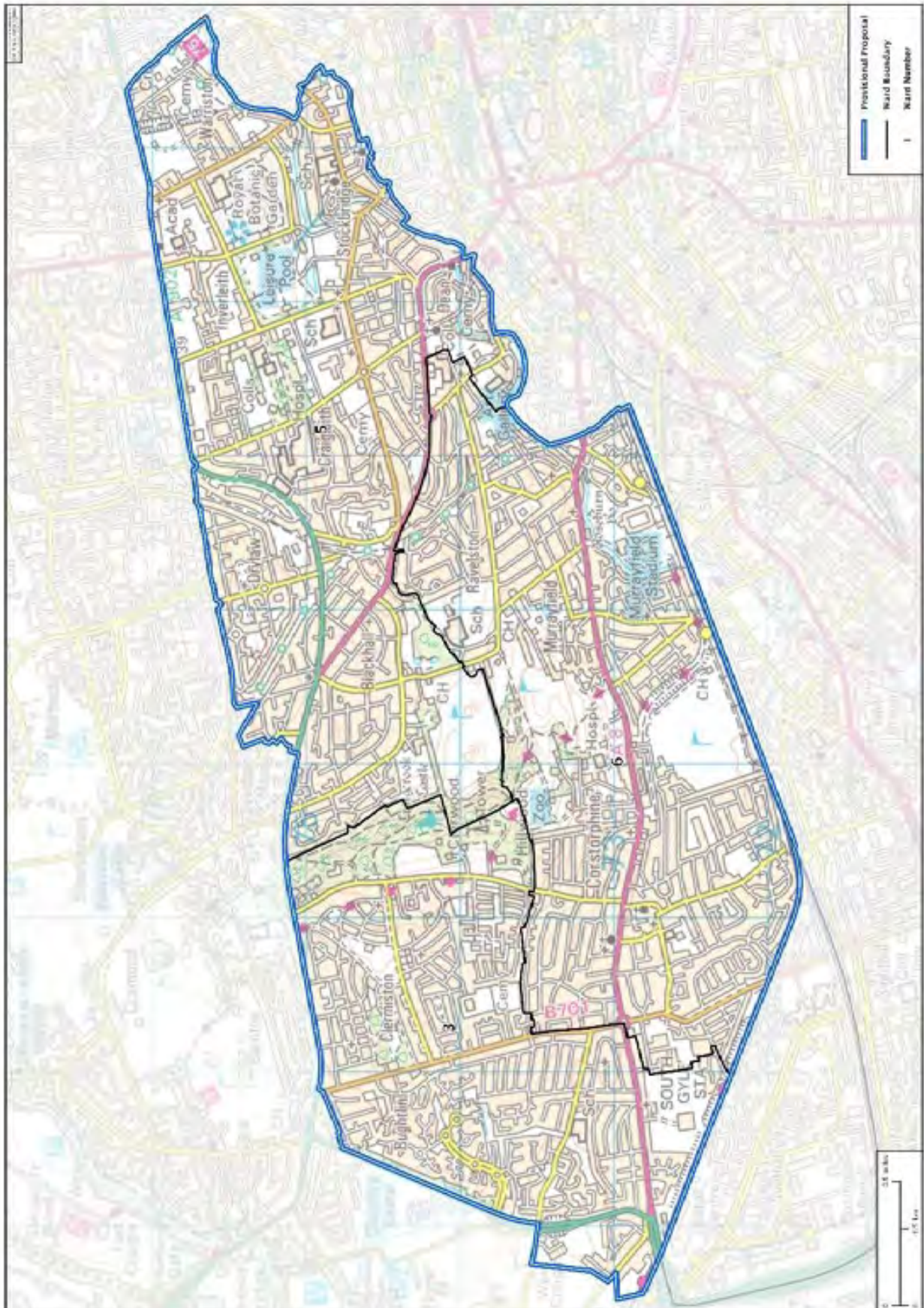
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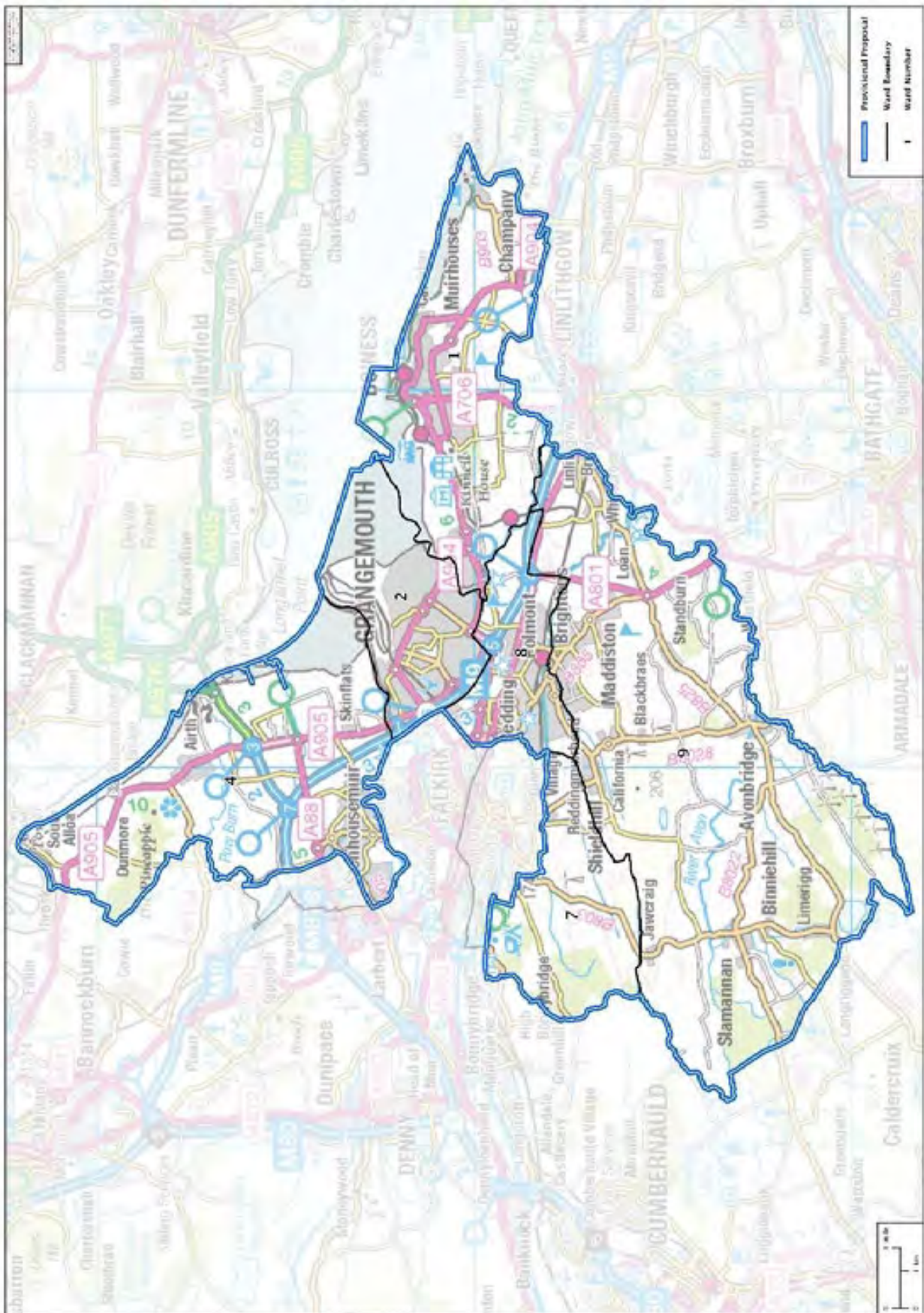
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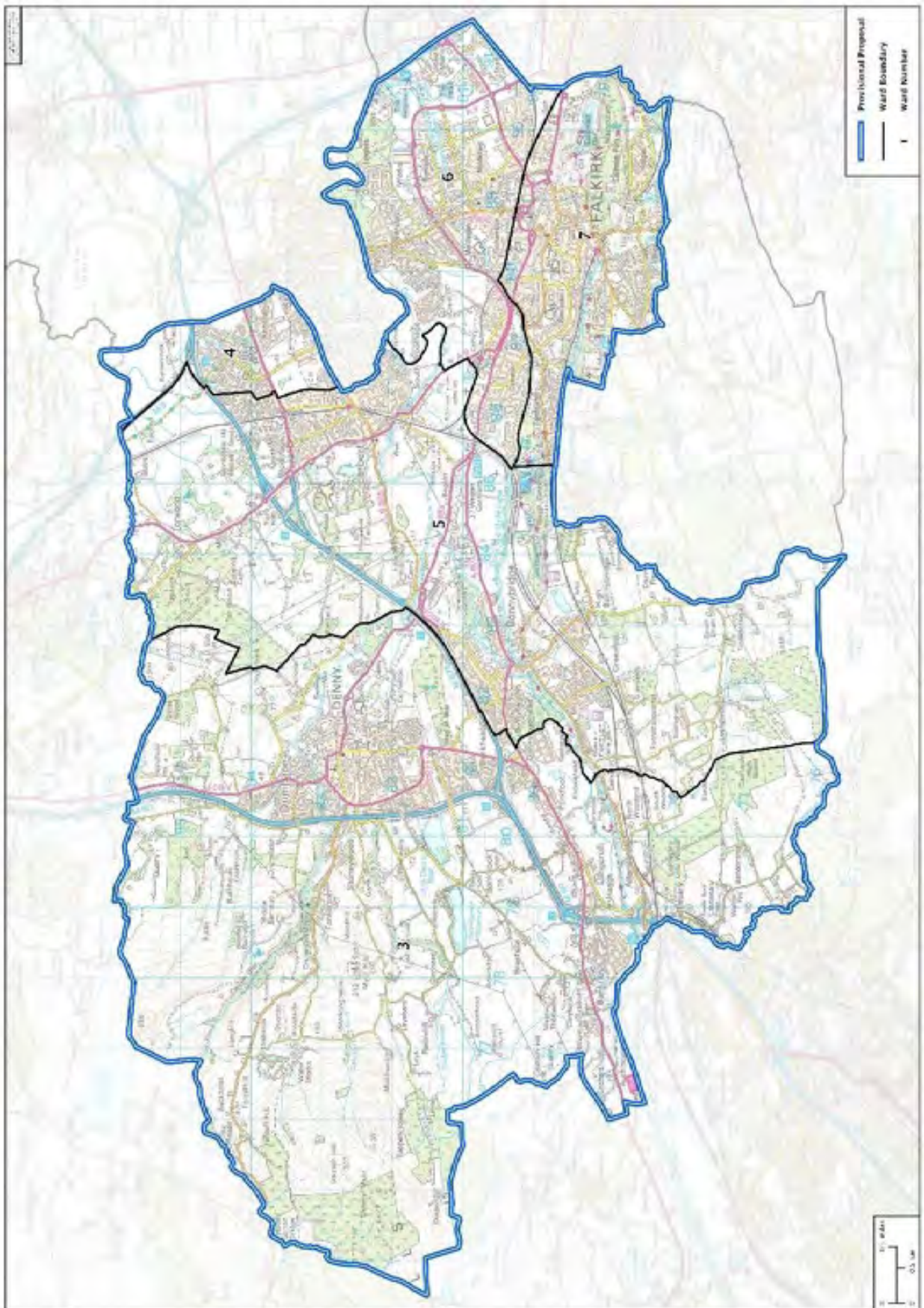
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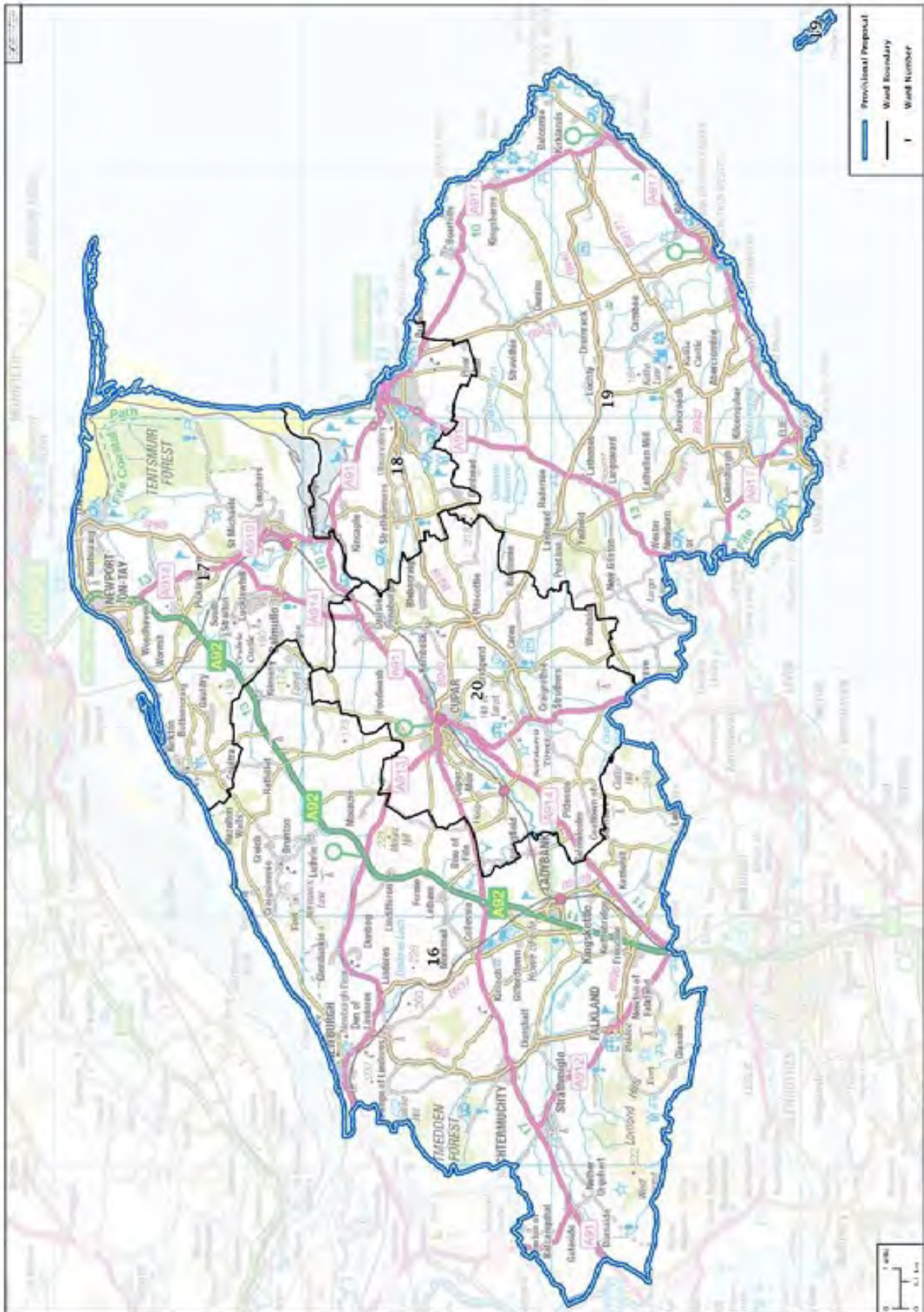
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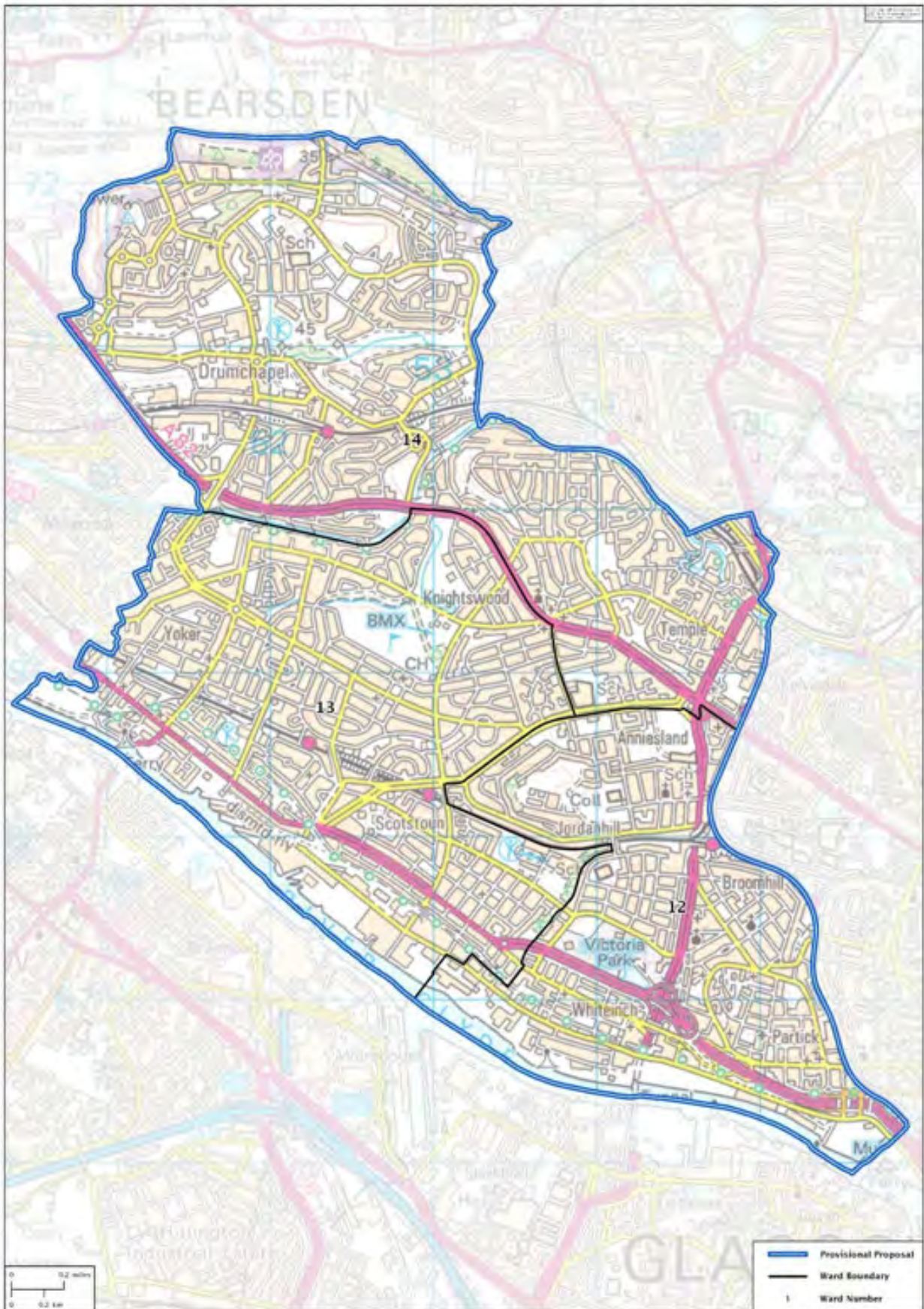
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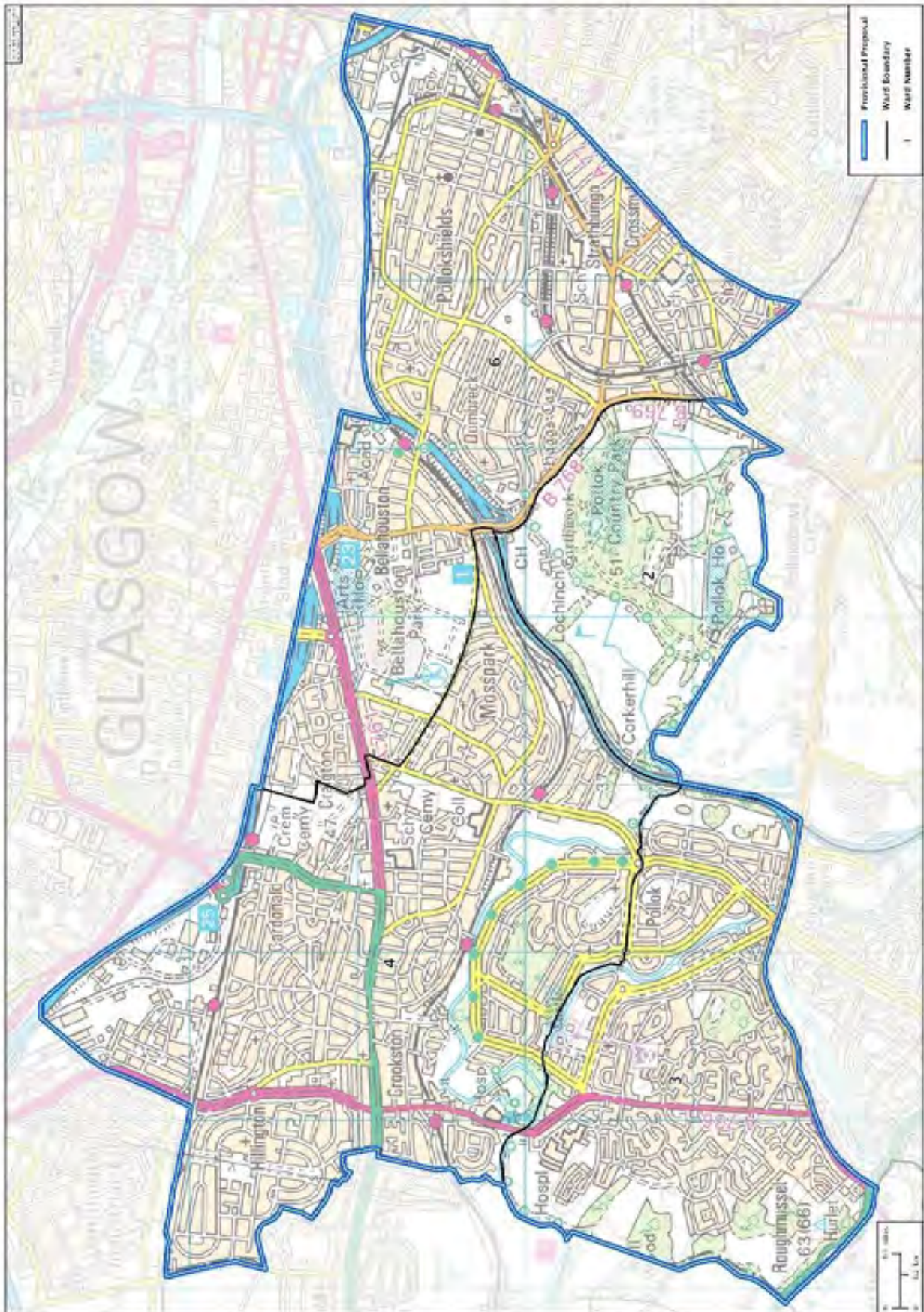
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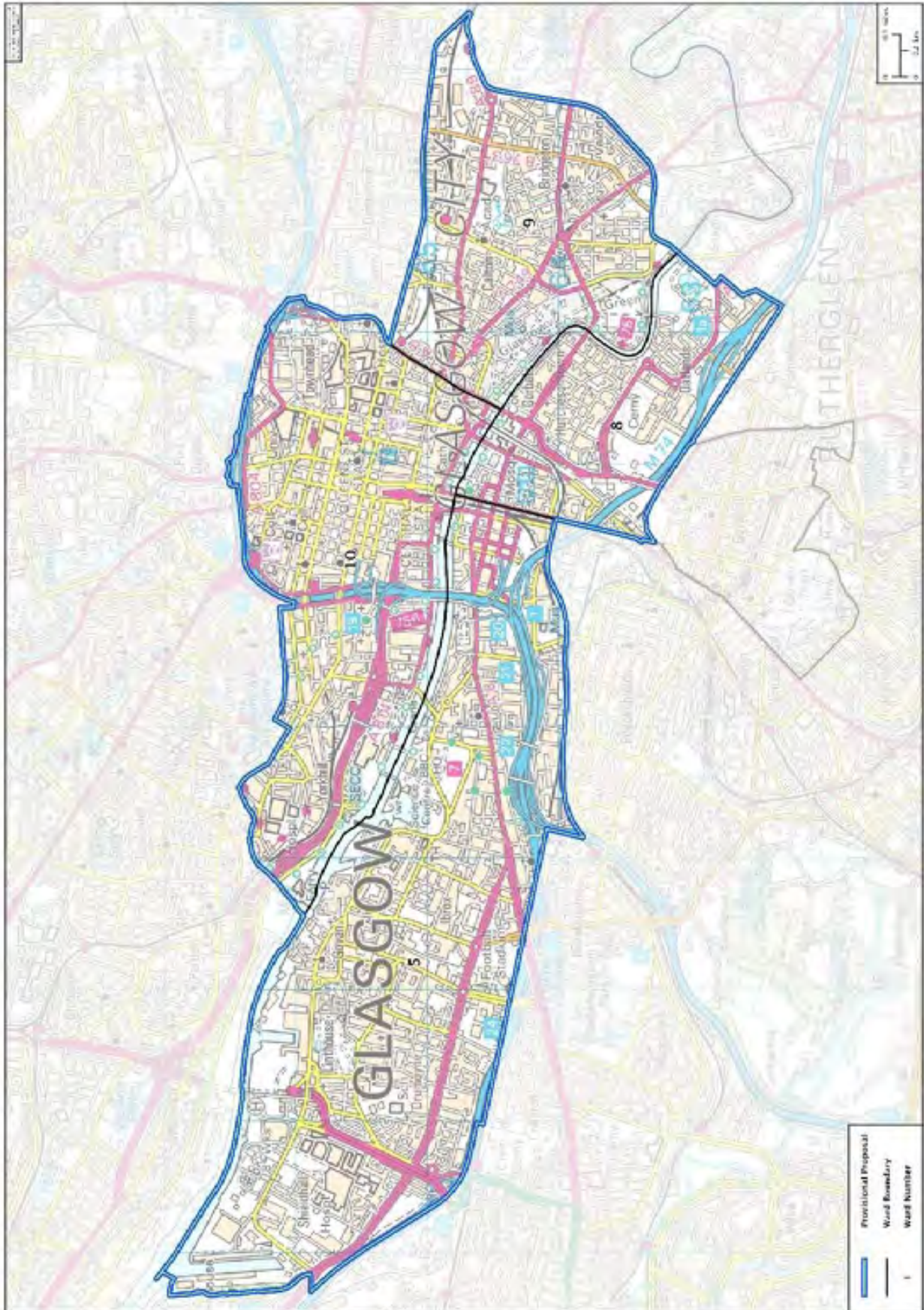
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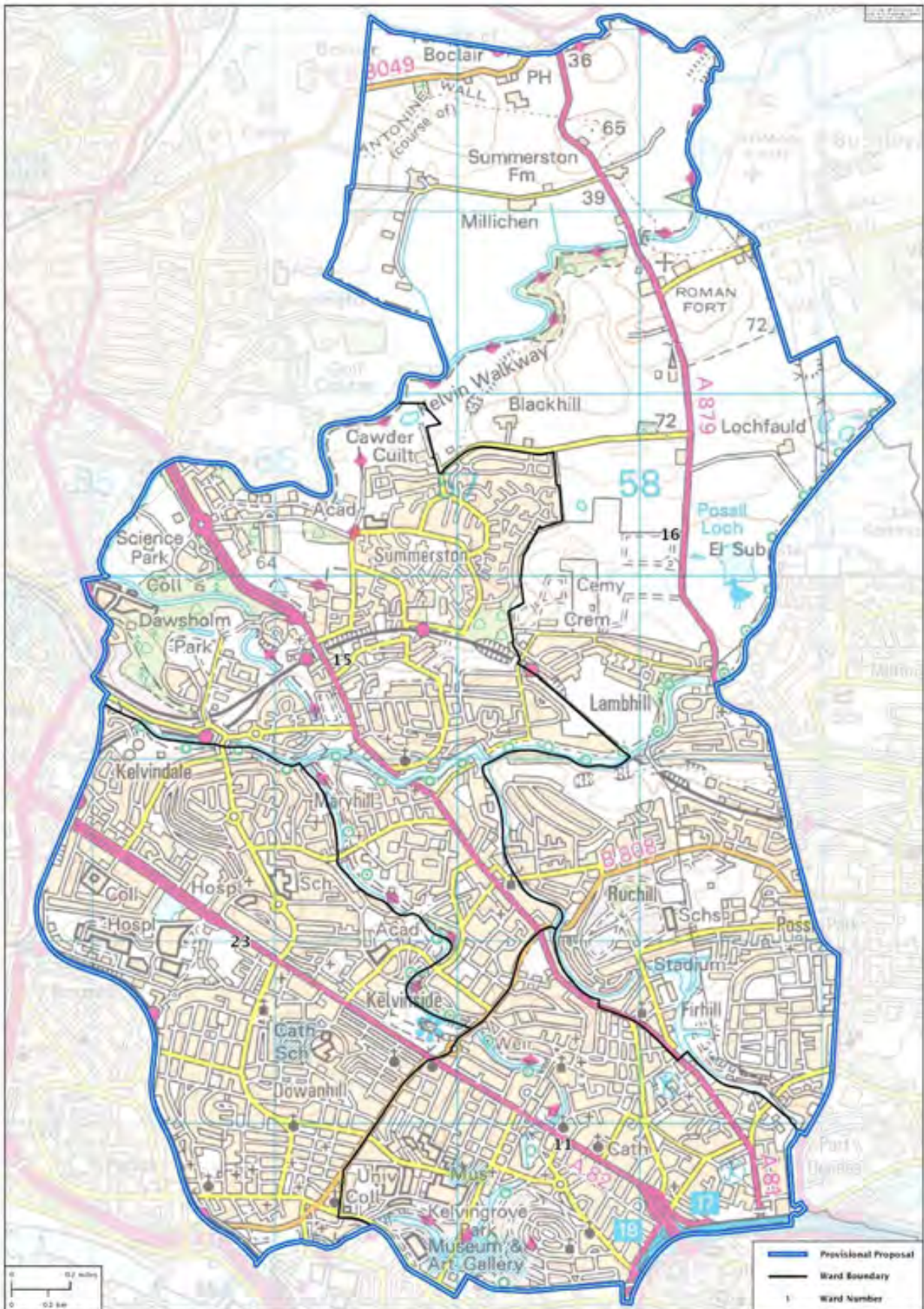
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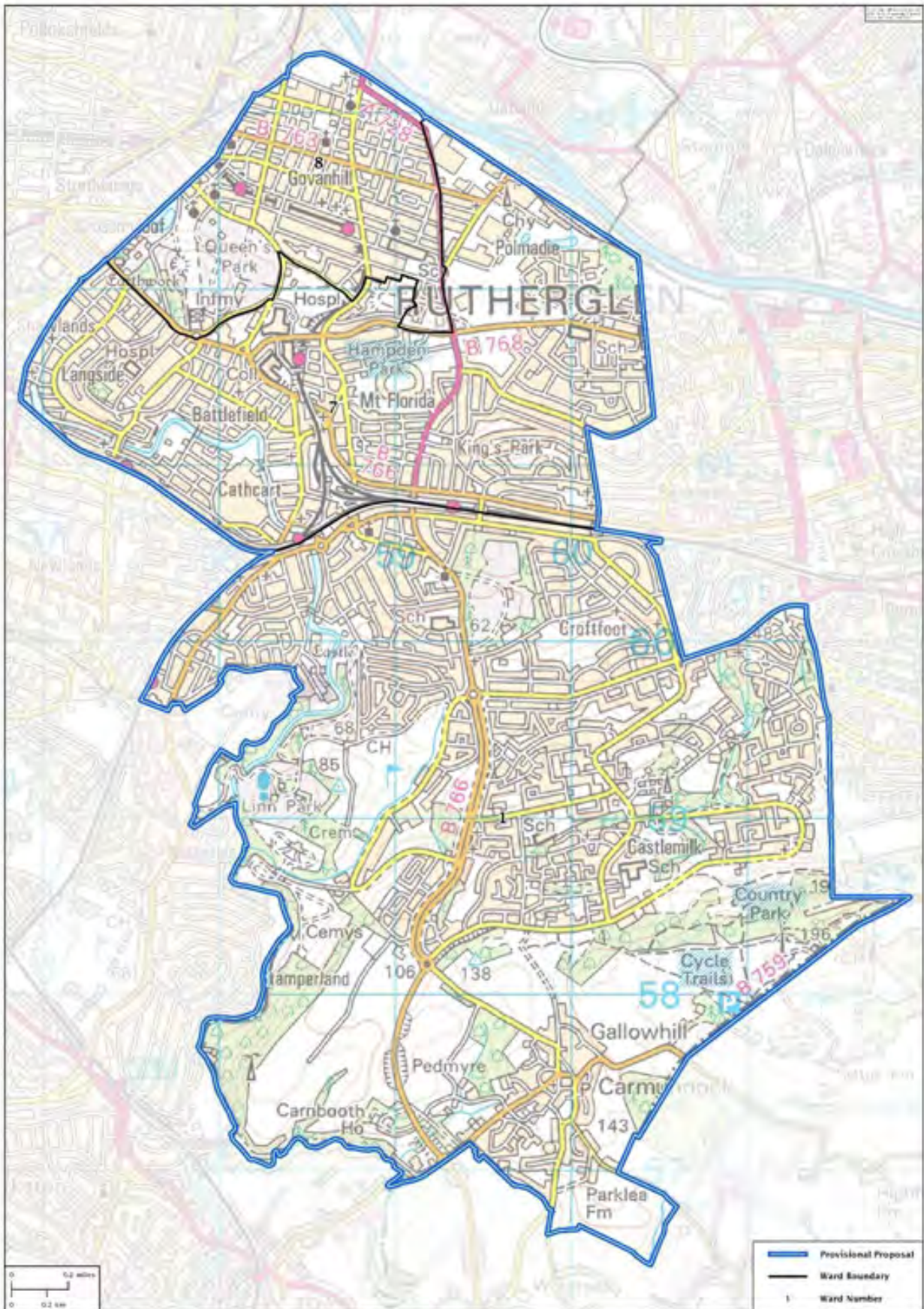
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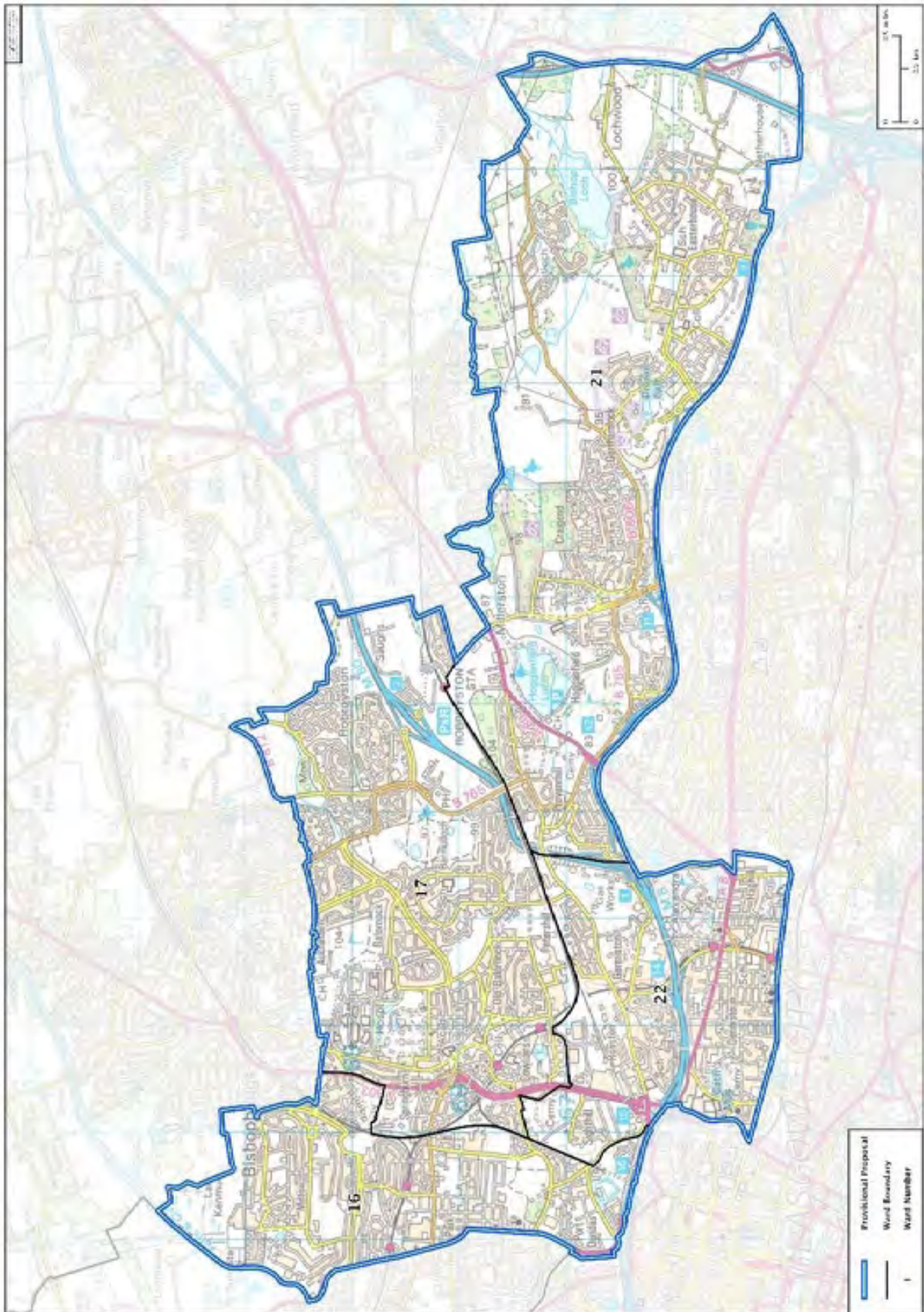
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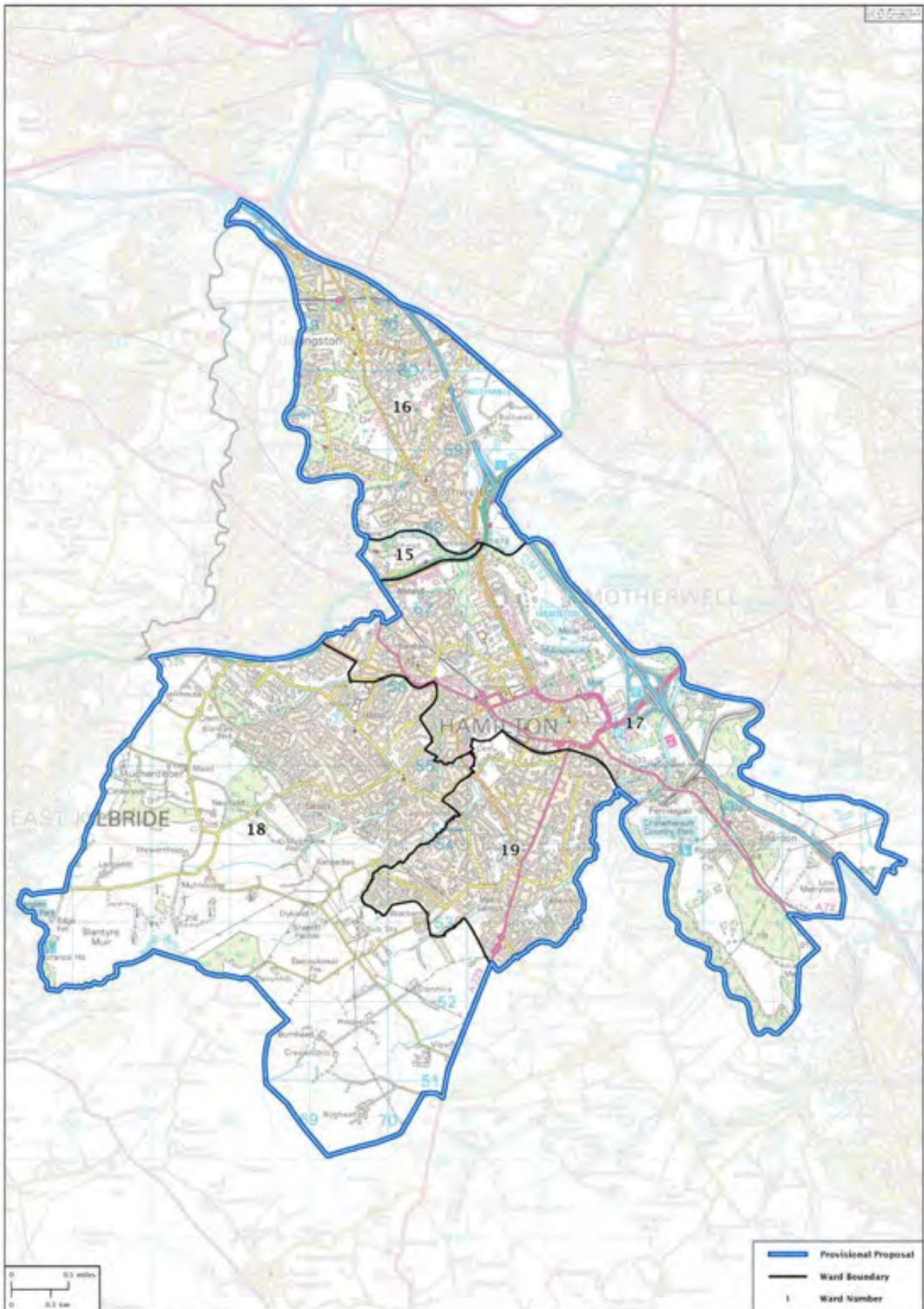
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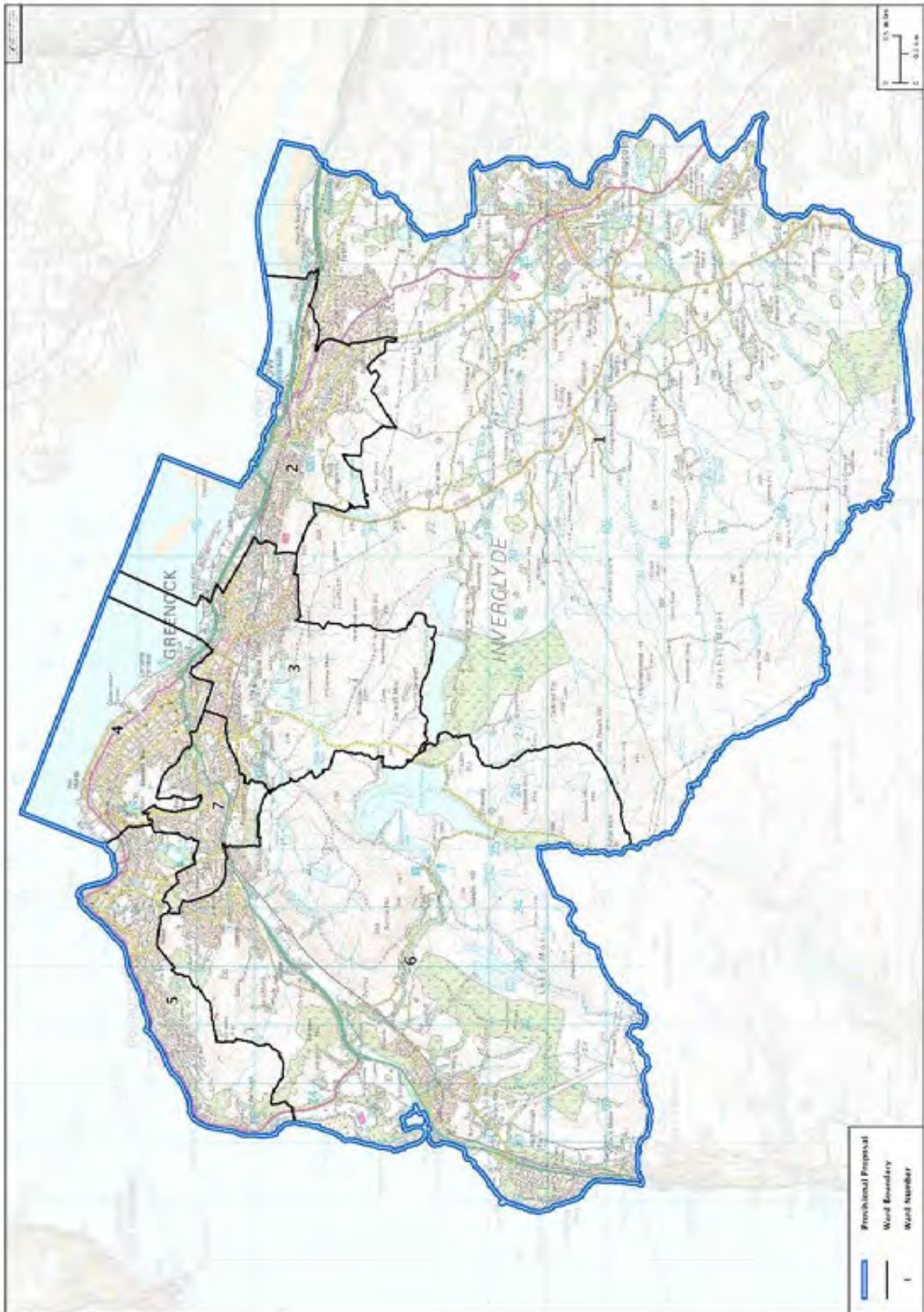
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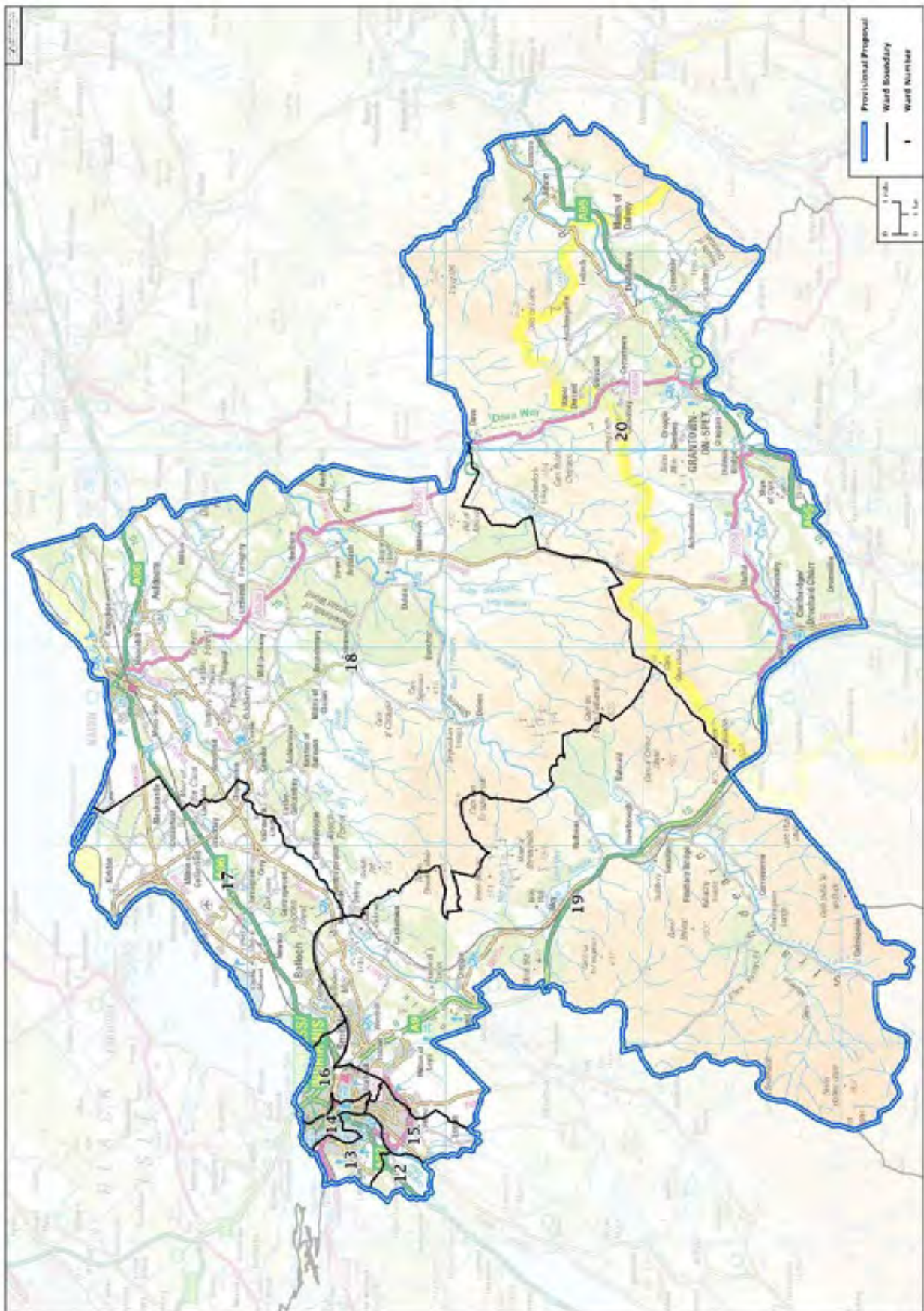
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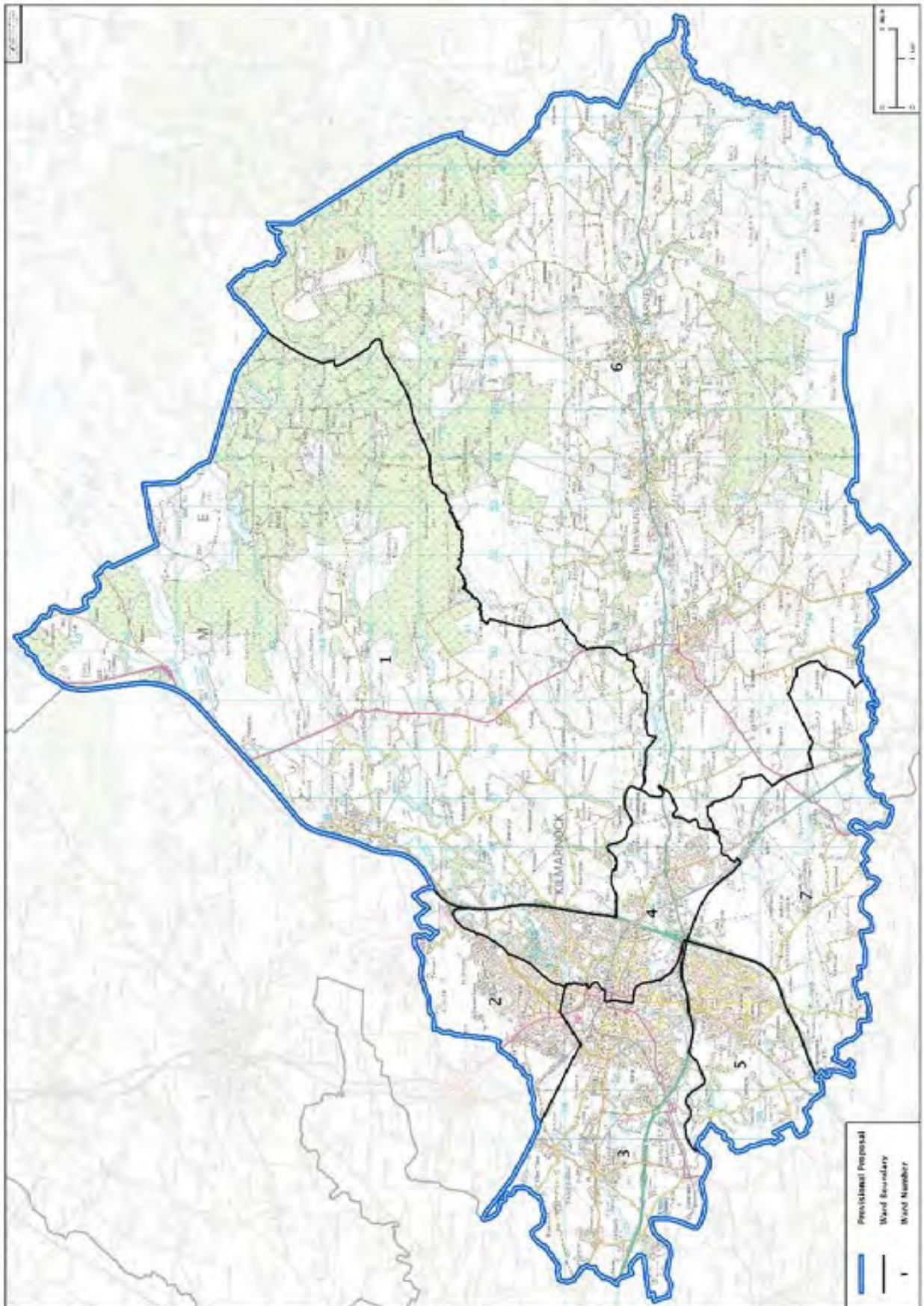
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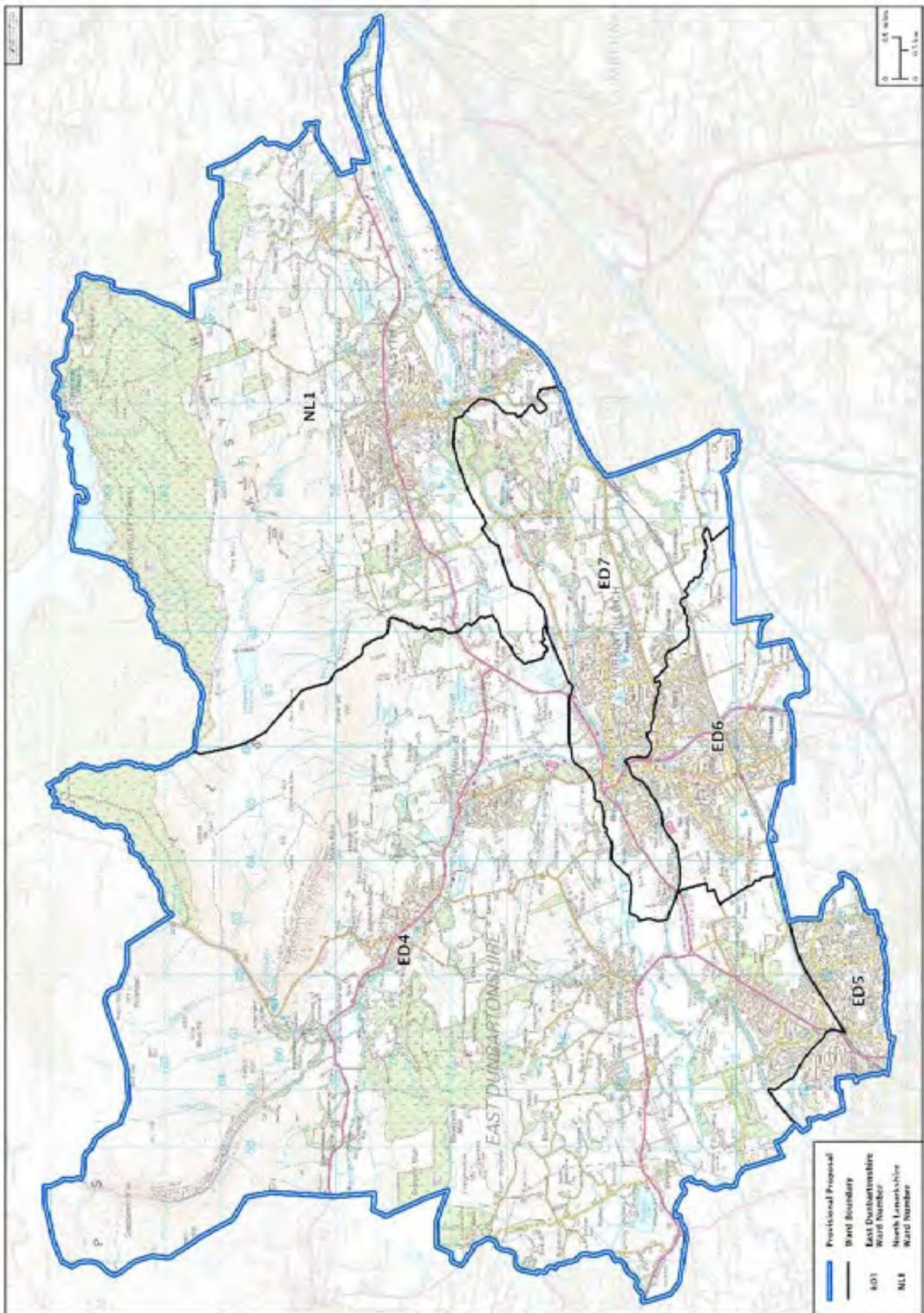
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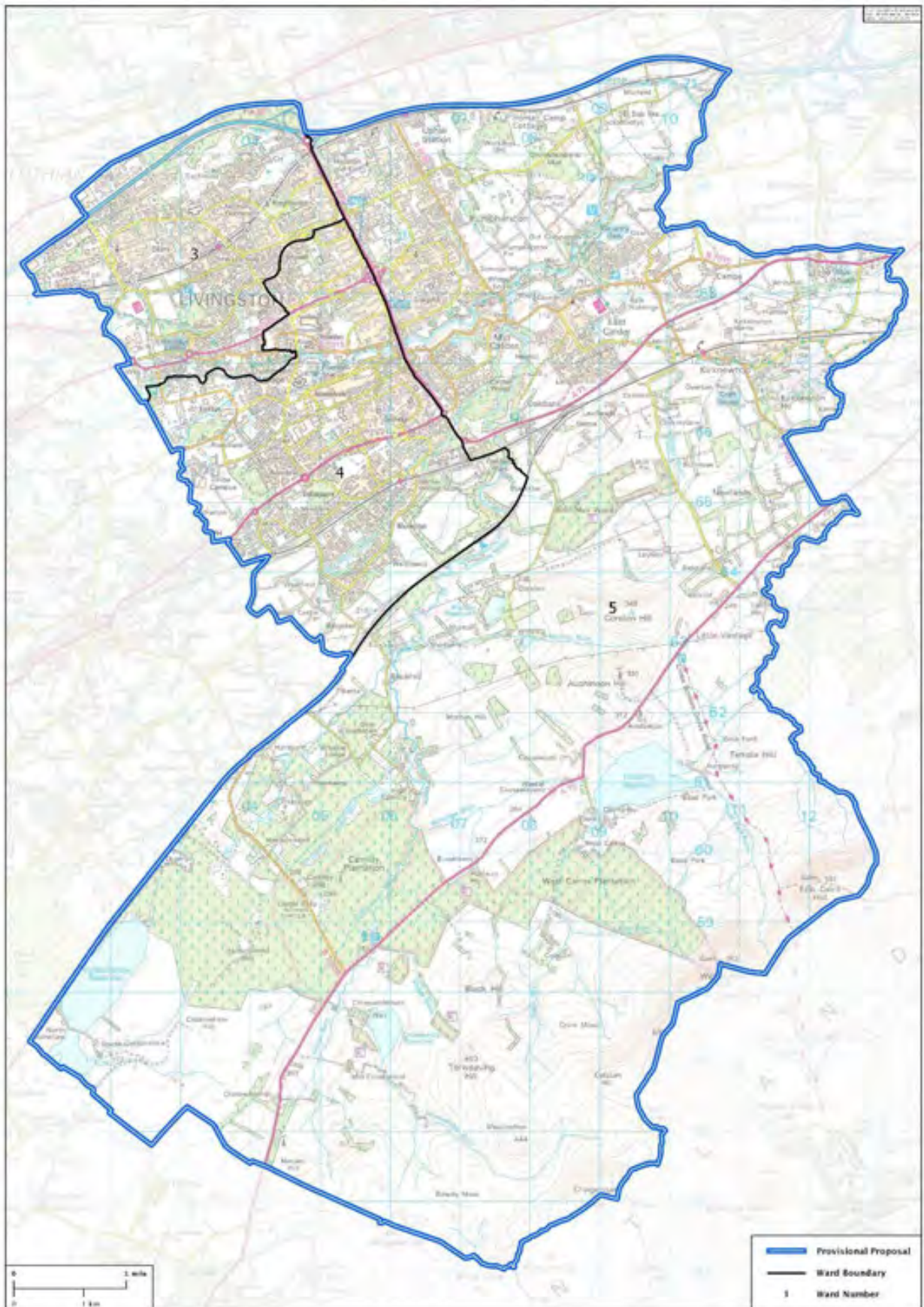
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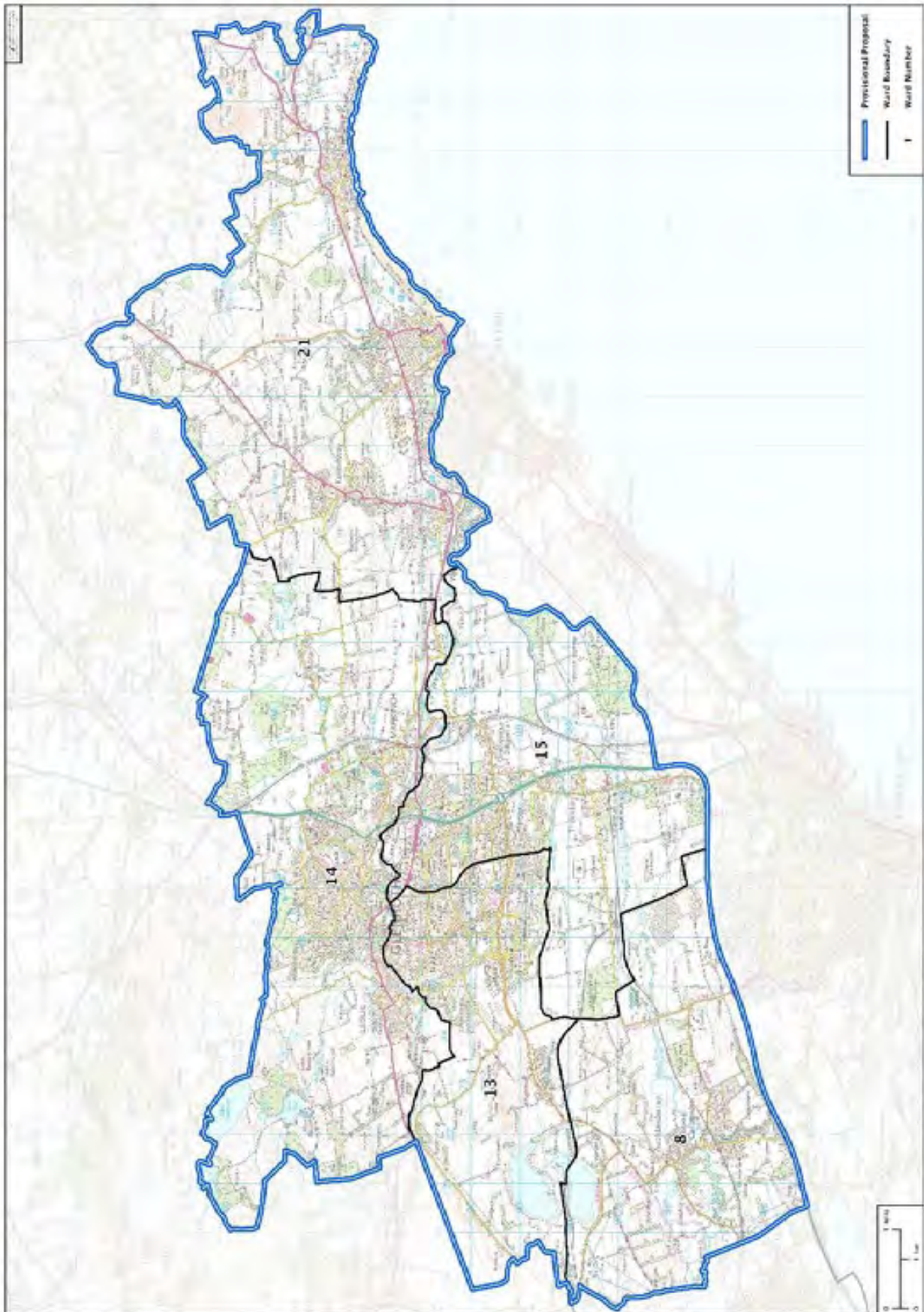
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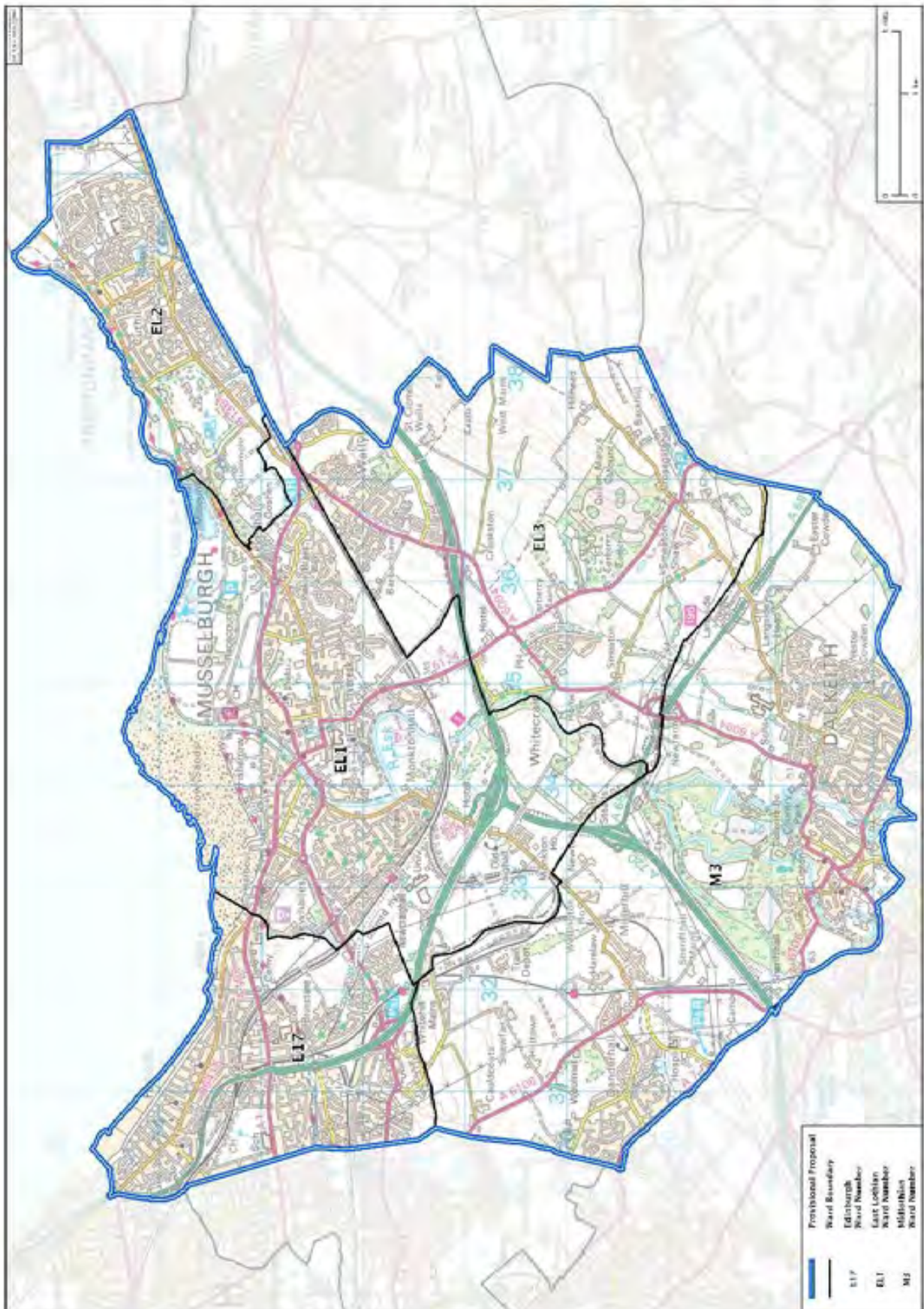
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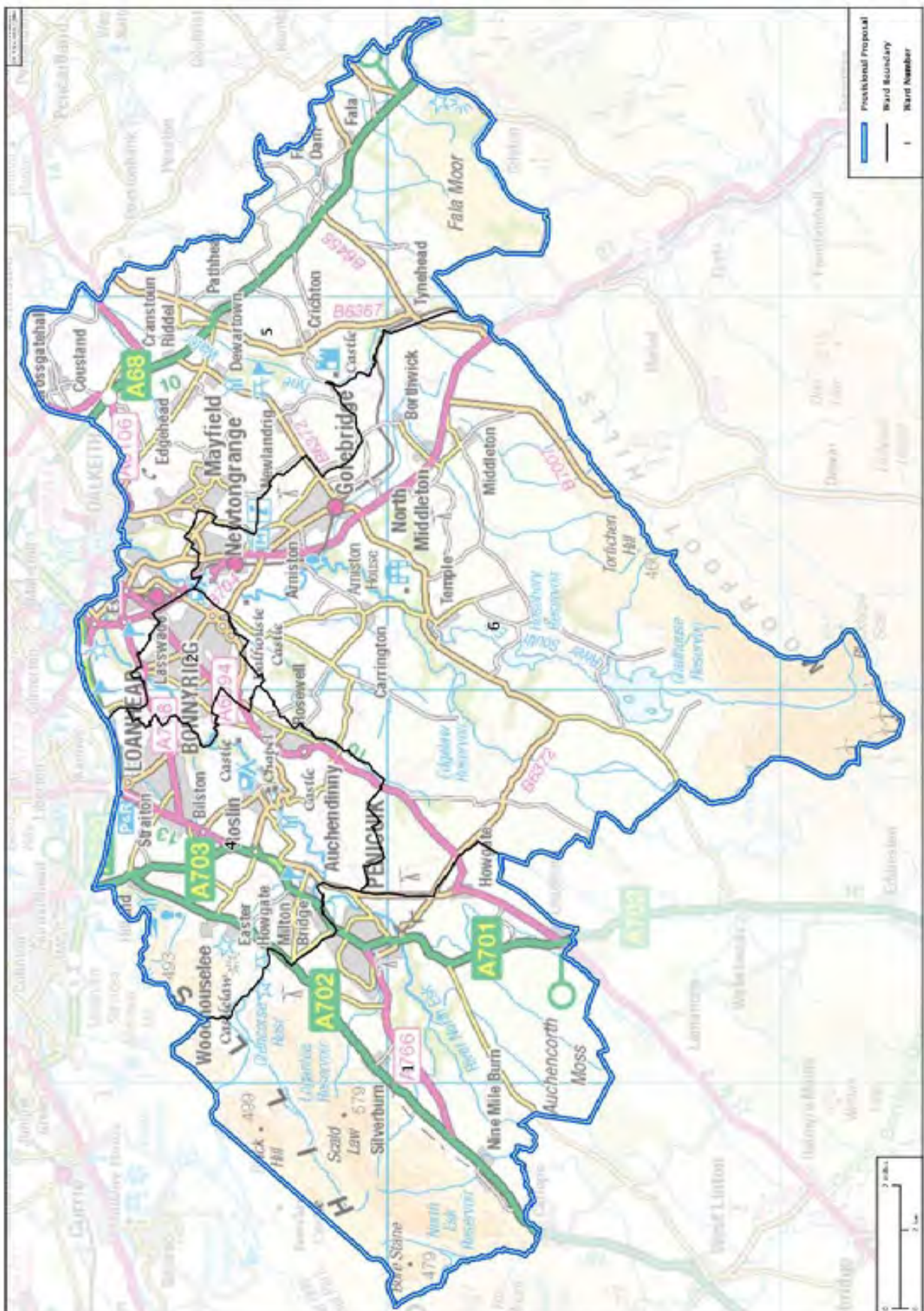
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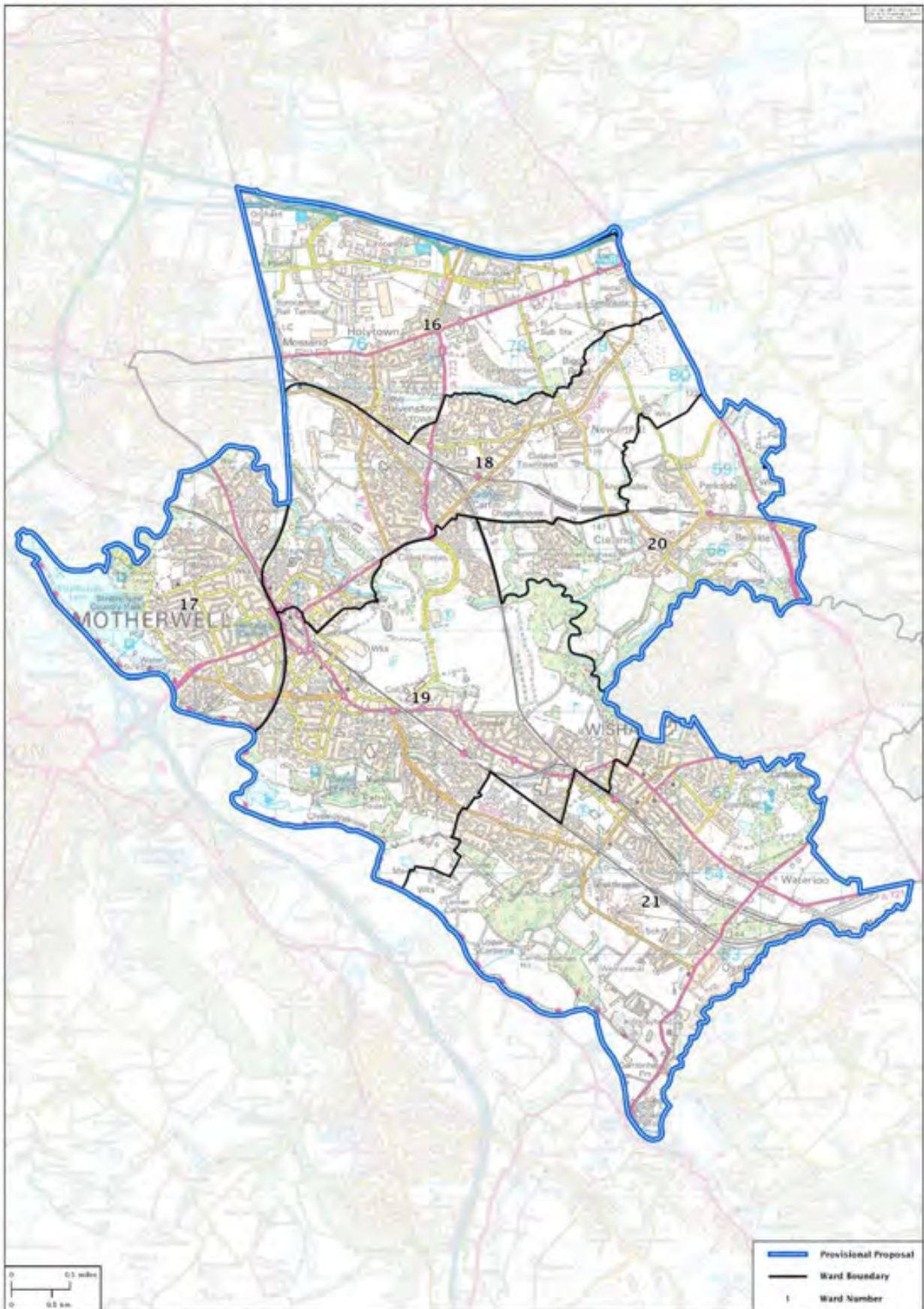
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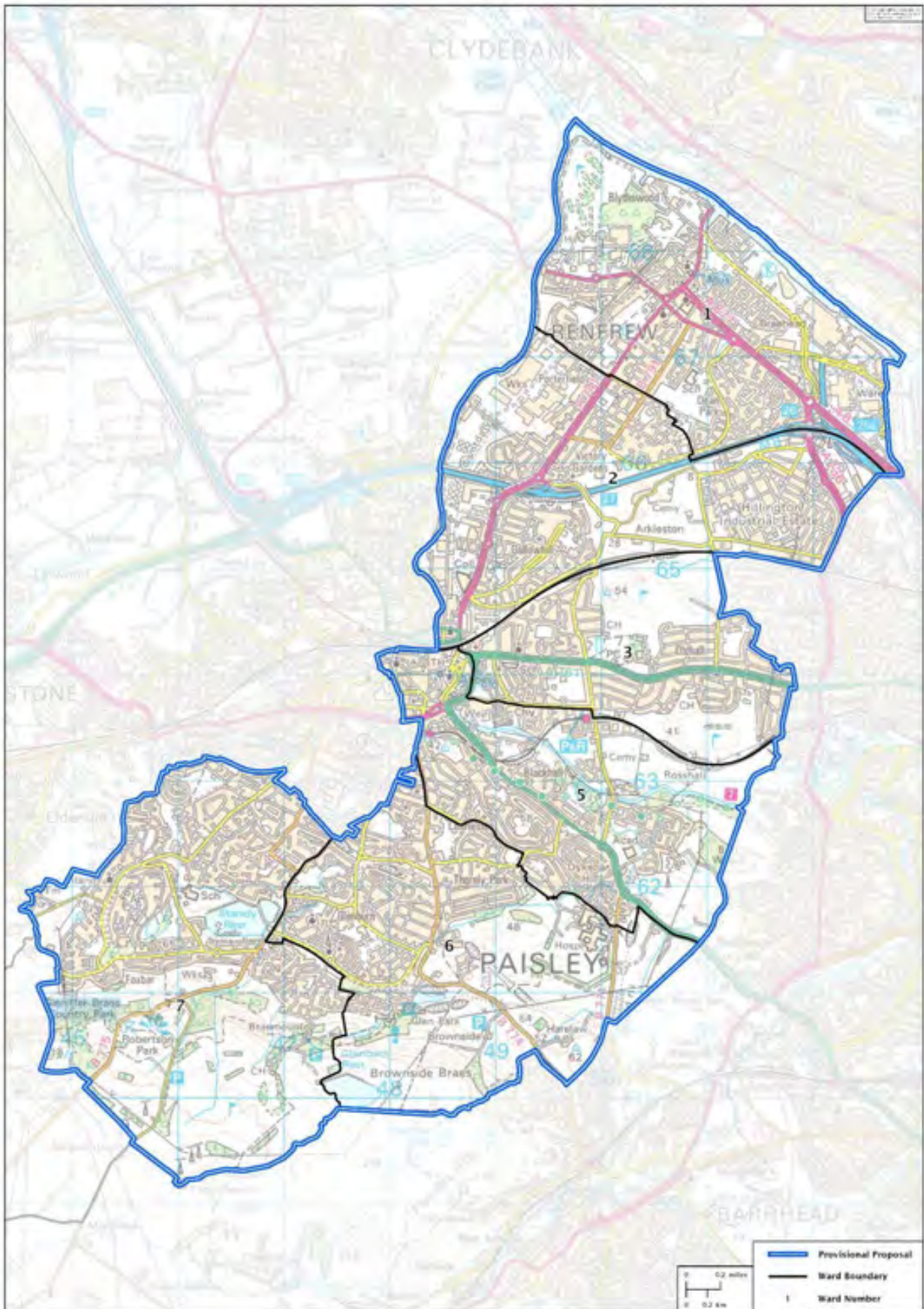
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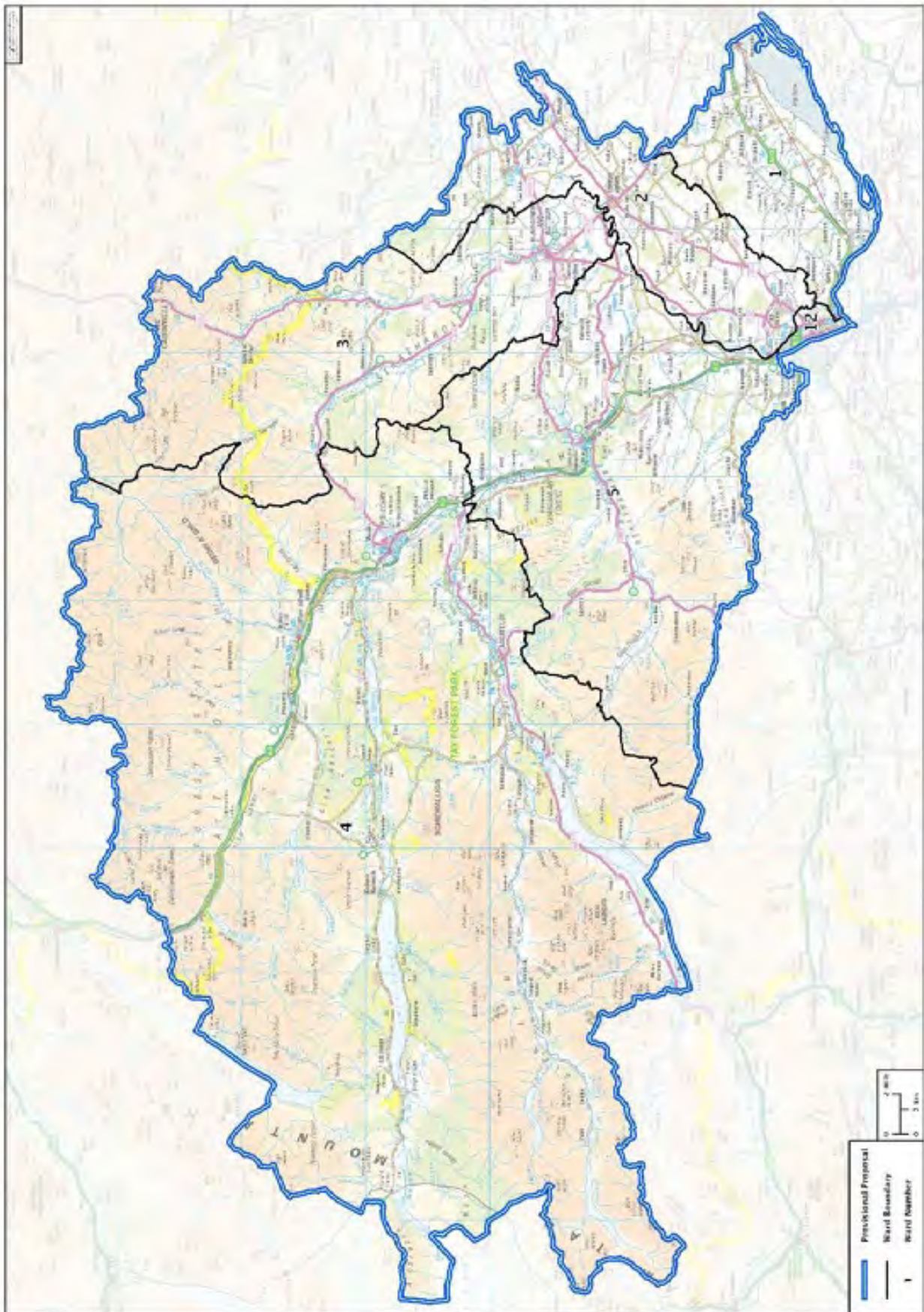
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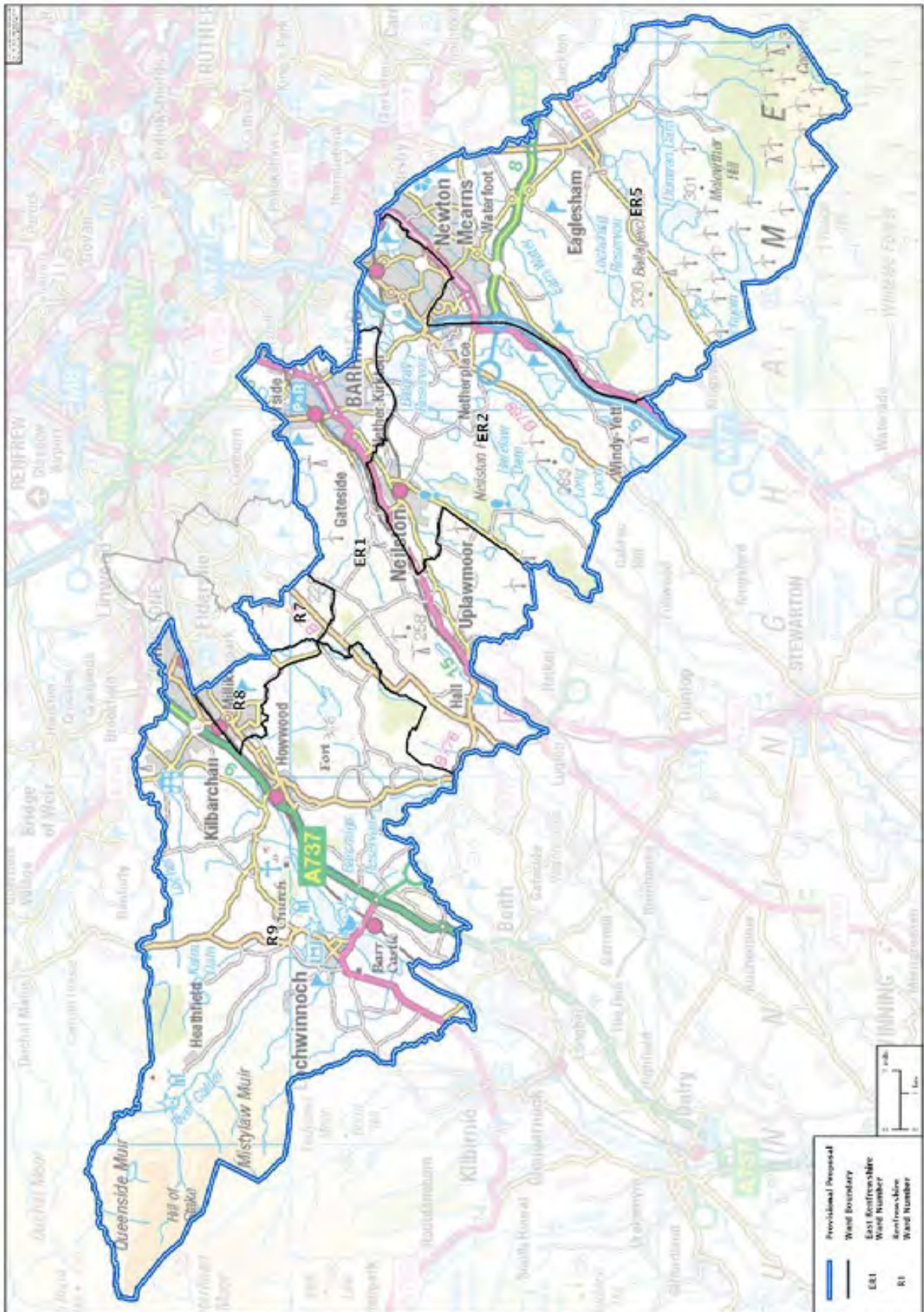
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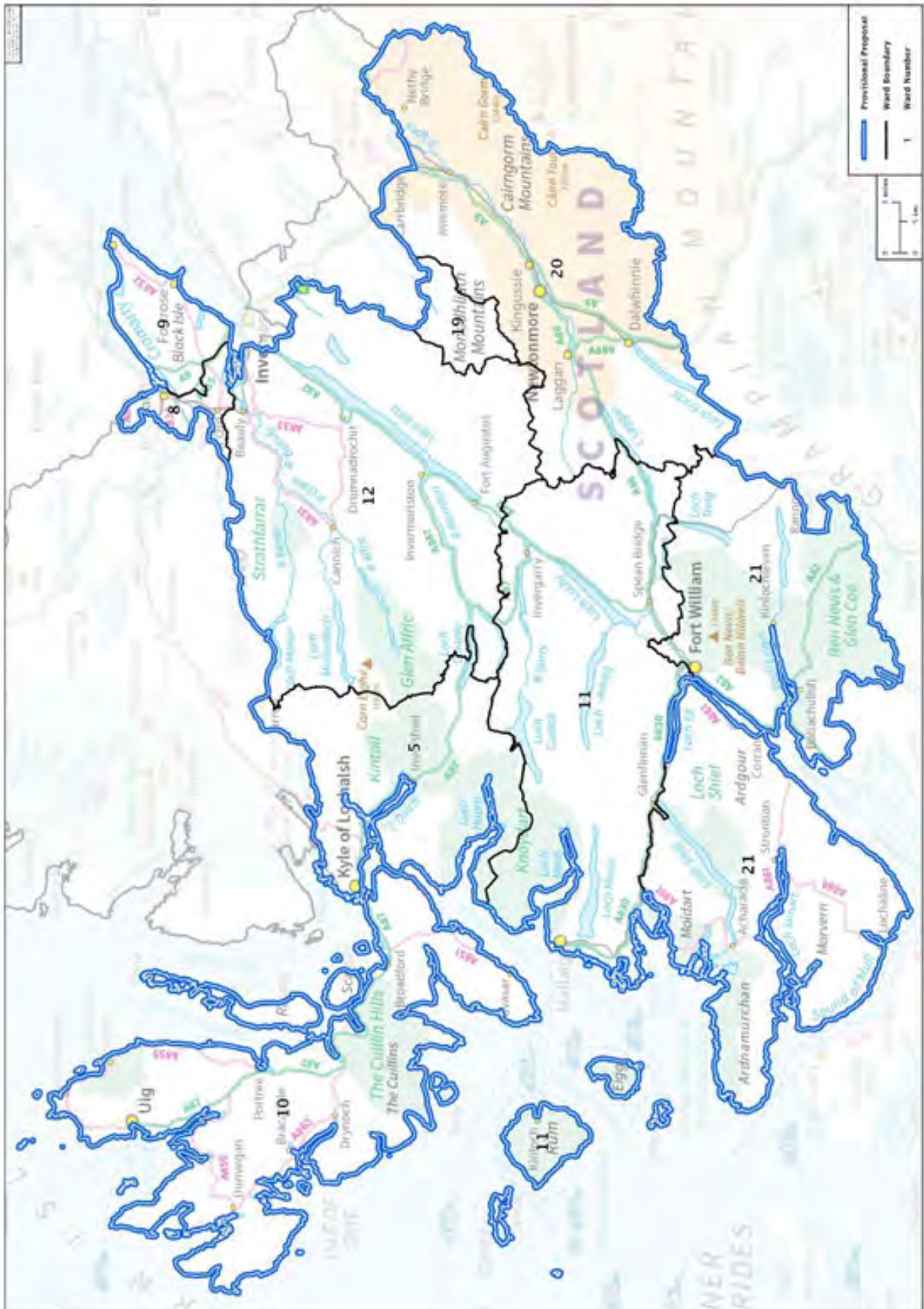




Shetland Islands  
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Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch  
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Stirling  
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Existing Constituency	Proposed constituencies which overlap existing			
Aberdeen Central	Aberdeen Central			
Aberdeen Donside	Aberdeen Donside			
Aberdeen South and North Kincardine	Aberdeen South & North Kincardine			
Aberdeenshire East	Aberdeenshire East	Banff & Buchan Coast		
Aberdeenshire West	Aberdeenshire West			
Airdrie and Shotts	Airdrie, Newmains & Shotts	Motherwell		
Almond Valley	Bathgate & Almond Valley	Livingston		
Angus North and Mearns	Angus North & Mearns			
Angus South	Angus South			
Argyll and Bute	Argyll & Bute	Dumbarton & Helensburgh		
Ayr	Ayr			
Banffshire and Buchan Coast	Banff & Buchan Coast	Aberdeenshire East		
Caithness, Sutherland and Ross	Caithness, Sutherland & Ross			
Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley	Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley			
Clackmannanshire and Dunblane	Clackmannanshire & Dunblane			
Clydebank and Milngavie	Bearsden, Milngavie & Clydebank North	Dumbarton & Helensburgh		
Clydesdale	Larkhall & Clydesdale	Clyde Valley & Tweeddale		
Coatbridge and Chryston	Bellshill & Coatbridge	Cumbernauld & Chryston		
Cowdenbeath	Cowdenbeath	Dunfermline	Mid Fife & Glenrothes	
Cumbernauld and Kilsyth	Cumbernauld & Chryston	Kirkintilloch & Kilsyth		
Cunninghame North	Cunninghame North			
Cunninghame South	Cunninghame South	Kilmarnock & Irvine Valley		
Dumbarton	Dumbarton & Helensburgh	Argyll & Bute		
Dumfriesshire	Dumfriesshire			
Dundee City East	Dundee City East			
Dundee City West	Dundee City West			
Dunfermline	Dunfermline	Cowdenbeath		
East Kilbride	East Kilbride			
East Lothian	East Lothian	Midlothian North & Musselburgh		
Eastwood	Glasgow Priesthill & Giffnock	Renfrewshire South		
Edinburgh Central	Edinburgh Eastern	Edinburgh Southern	Edinburgh Central	Edinburgh Pentlands
Edinburgh Eastern	Edinburgh Eastern	Edinburgh Central	Midlothian North & Musselburgh	

Existing Constituency	Proposed constituencies which overlap existing			
Edinburgh Northern and Leith	Edinburgh Western	Edinburgh Northern & Leith	Edinburgh Central	Edinburgh Eastern
Edinburgh Pentlands	Edinburgh Pentlands	Edinburgh Southern		
Edinburgh Southern	Edinburgh Eastern	Edinburgh Pentlands	Edinburgh Southern	Edinburgh Central
Edinburgh Western	Edinburgh Pentlands	Edinburgh Western	Edinburgh Forth & Linlithgow	
Ettrick, Roxburgh and Berwickshire	Ettrick, Roxburgh & Berwickshire			
Falkirk East	Falkirk East			
Falkirk West	Falkirk West			
Galloway and West Dumfries	Galloway & West Dumfries			
Glasgow Anniesland	Glasgow Anniesland	Glasgow Kelvin & Maryhill		
Glasgow Cathcart	Glasgow Cardonald & Pollok	Glasgow Southside & Cathcart	Glasgow Priesthill & Giffnock	
Glasgow Kelvin	Glasgow Central & Govan	Glasgow Kelvin & Maryhill	Glasgow Anniesland	Glasgow Springburn & Provan
Glasgow Maryhill and Springburn	Glasgow Kelvin & Maryhill	Glasgow Springburn & Provan		
Glasgow Pollok	Glasgow Cardonald & Pollok	Glasgow Priesthill & Giffnock	Glasgow Central & Govan	
Glasgow Provan	Glasgow Shettleston & Baillieston	Glasgow Springburn & Provan		
Glasgow Shettleston	Glasgow Shettleston & Baillieston	Glasgow Central & Govan		
Glasgow Southside	Glasgow Cardonald & Pollok	Glasgow Southside & Cathcart	Glasgow Central & Govan	
Greenock and Inverclyde	Inverclyde			
Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse	Larkhall & Clydesdale	Hamilton & Uddingston		
Inverness and Nairn	Inverness & Nairn	Skye, Lochaber & Badenoch		
Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley	Cunninghame South	Kilmarnock & Irvine Valley		
Kirkcaldy	Kirkcaldy	Cowdenbeath		
Linlithgow	Edinburgh Forth & Linlithgow	Bathgate & Almond Valley		
Mid Fife and Glenrothes	Mid Fife & Glenrothes			
Midlothian North and Musselburgh	Midlothian North & Musselburgh	Midlothian South		
Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale	Midlothian South	Clyde Valley & Tweeddale		
Moray	Moray			
Motherwell and Wishaw	Airdrie, Newmains & Shotts	Motherwell		
Na h-Eileanan an Iar	Na h-Eileanan an Iar			

<b>Existing Constituency</b>	<b>Proposed constituencies which overlap existing</b>			
North East Fife	Fife North East			
Orkney Islands	Orkney Islands			
Paisley	Renfrewshire South	Renfrewshire West	Paisley & Renfrew	
Perthshire North	Perthshire North	Perthshire South & Kinross-shire		
Perthshire South and Kinross-shire	Perthshire South & Kinross-shire	Perthshire North		
Renfrewshire North and West	Renfrewshire West	Paisley & Renfrew	Inverclyde	
Renfrewshire South	Renfrewshire South	Renfrewshire West		
Rutherglen	Rutherglen	Hamilton & Uddingston		
Shetland Islands	Shetland Islands			
Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch	Skye, Lochaber & Badenoch	Inverness & Nairn		
Stirling	Stirling	Clackmannanshire & Dunblane		
Strathkelvin and Bearsden	Bearsden, Milngavie & Clydebank North	Kirkintilloch & Kilsyth		
Uddingston and Bellshill	Bellshill & Coatbridge	Motherwell	Hamilton & Uddingston	

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