

News Release from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England

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New political map for North Kesteven District Council

North Kesteven is set to have new boundaries for its council wards.



New wards for North Kesteven Credit: contains Ordnance Survey data (c) Crown copyright and database rights 2020

High resolution map available at [http://s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/lgbce/Reviews/East%20Midlands/Liccolnshire/North%20Kesteven/Final/NK%20Final%20Recs%20Labels%20\(1\).jpg](http://s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/lgbce/Reviews/East%20Midlands/Liccolnshire/North%20Kesteven/Final/NK%20Final%20Recs%20Labels%20(1).jpg)

The Local Government Boundary Commission is the independent body that draws these boundaries. It has reviewed North Kesteven to make sure councillors will represent about the same number of electors, and that ward arrangements will help the council work effectively.

The Commission has published final recommendations for changes in North Kesteven. It says residents should be represented by 43 councillors. This is the same number as there are now.

There will be 24 wards, comprising nine single-councillor wards, 11 two-councillor wards and four three-councillor wards. This is two fewer than the current number of wards.

Publishing the recommendations Professor Colin Mellors, Chair of the Commission, said:

“We are very grateful to people in North Kesteven. We looked at all the views they gave us. They helped us improve our earlier proposals.

“We believe the new arrangements will guarantee electoral fairness while maintaining local ties.”

Local people and organisations made 76 comments to help decide the new wards. Changes in response to what local people said include:

- Waddington Parish will be united in one three-councillor ‘Waddington Rural’ ward.
- We have adopted the suggested ward names of Hykeham Central and Hykeham Memorial.

The Commission has made further changes to its earlier proposals. Details can be found on its website at <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/east-midlands/lincolnshire/north-kesteven>.

Parliament now needs to agree the changes. The new arrangements will then apply for the May 2023 council elections.

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An interactive map is available at <https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/19591>

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England is an independent body accountable to Parliament. It recommends fair electoral and boundary arrangements for local authorities in England. In doing so, it aims to:

- Make sure that, within an authority, each councillor represents a similar number of electors
- Create boundaries that are appropriate, and reflect community ties and identities
- Deliver reviews informed by local needs, views and circumstances