

### Local Government Boundary Commission – Indicative Timetable for Boundary Review

The LGDCE have identified a proposed timeline to undertake a Local Boundary review irrespective of the council’s electoral cycle.

The timetable works practically whether or not council resolve to move to all-outs or keep with the existing election cycle to elect by thirds.

#### Proposed timetable of events Local Boundary Review

Date	Event
Spring/Summer 2023	Formal briefings for Sandwell members and office on the review process
March 2024	Submission of proposals (including from Sandwell Council) on how many councillors there should be
May 2024	Commission agrees how many councillors Sandwell should have
May 2024	First public consultation on ward boundaries starts
October 2024	Commission decides draft recommendations
October – December 2024	Second public consultation on ward boundaries starts
April 2025	Final recommendations published
May 2026 (if current election cycle by thirds)	Implementation of review outcomes with “all-out” elections
May 2026 or May 2027 (if council move to “all outs” to allow 4-year term of office)	Implementation of review outcomes with “all-out” elections

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It is important to note , and members should consider that regardless of the decision taken by council to either remain under the current cycle of elections or move to all out's elections the election at which the outcome of the local review will be implemented must be 'all-out" elections irrespective of the council's current electoral cycle.