



Northamptonshire County Council

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Via email
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Dear David,

Northamptonshire's Electoral review Update

Further to my letter dated October 2011, I am writing to inform you that you that we are awaiting the Local Government Boundary Commission's (LGBC) final decision on council size. The consultation on a council size of 57 for Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) finished in December and we expect their final decision at the end of this month.

The aim of the review is to improve electoral equality, ensuring (where possible) that each councillor elected to a local authority represents the same number of electors. If the number of county councillors is reduced to 57 (from 73), it will result in Kettering being represented by 8 councillors (at present it is represented by 10 councillors).

We are now preparing for the next stage of the review and it is our intention to share our draft proposals with you for comment. Please anticipate receiving our draft in early February. The LGBC will also be running their own consultation for Northamptonshire in the summer, but we are keen to seek your views and support to ensure Northamptonshire develops a scheme which provides improved electoral equality.

Throughout the process the LGBC will be updating their website www.lgbce.org.uk with review information, and NCC will also provide updates. Should you require any further information about this review please do not hesitate to contact my colleagues (Paul Hanson, Cabinet and Executive Manager phanson@northamptonshire.gov.uk, 01604 366813 or Nav Gahonia, Project Manager ngahonia@northamptonshire.gov.uk, 01604 367745).

Yours sincerely,

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