

Appendix One: Proposed Division Boundaries for Cambridgeshire County Council's Submission to the Boundary Commission.

Background

The proposals within this appendix are based upon the County Council's previously agreed preference for 63 single Member divisions. This was agreed by full council in July 2014.

Table 1: Proposed number of Councillors between districts

	% of total electorate 2020	63 members	Current CCC
Cambridge City	19.5%	12	14
East Cambridgeshire	13.7%	9	9
Fenland	15.2%	10	11
Huntingdonshire	27.2%	17	19
South Cambridgeshire	24.4%	15	16
Total	100.0%	63	69

The number of County Council Members shared between each district is shown in table 1 (with the share based on the forecast 2020 electorate) with the allowable electorate range shown below in Table 2.

Table 2: Electorate range allowable for electoral divisions in 2014 and 2020

With 63 members	Lower 10%	County average	Upper 10%
2014	6,841	7,601	8,361
2020	7,448	8,275	9,103

Source: LGBCE, 2015

As agreed by the Member working group on Electoral Review, the following proposals are presented on a district by district basis. These proposals represent where the group reached a consensus. Where there was not a clear consensus within the working group then it was agreed not to put forward a district proposal; but leave a structure within this appendix against which individual groups can bring forward amendments to this paper if they so wish.

Any queries regarding the mapping or technical work behind each proposal should be directed to the supporting officer for the working group, Michael Soper.

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Recommendation Bi. Cambridge City.

Notes

For Cambridge the Working Group agreed that the LGBCE proposals for creating a two Member division in the north-west of Cambridge, titled 'Castle and Newnham' were unacceptable.

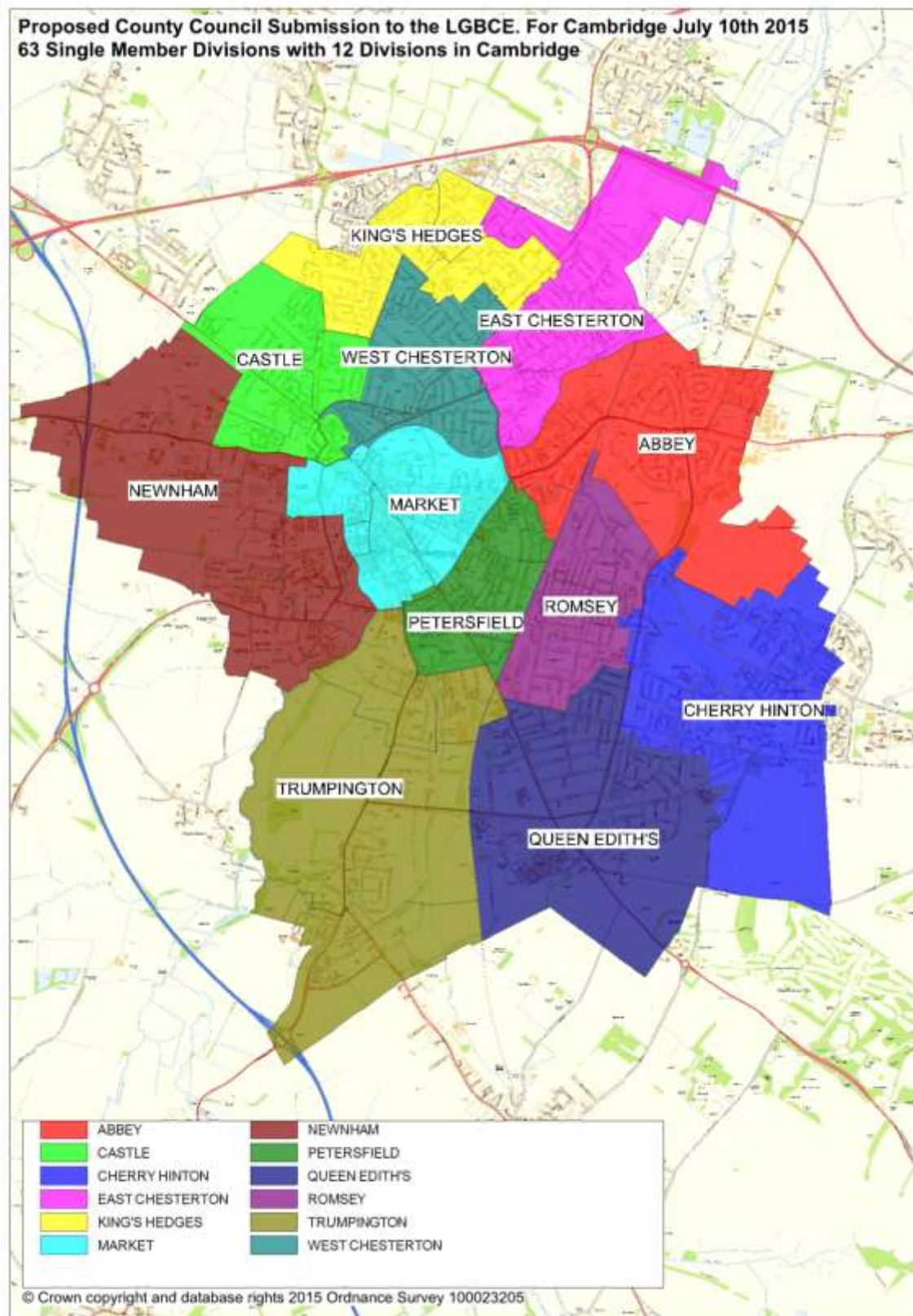
A number of differing proposals were discussed by the Working Group. The majority favoured bringing forward the proposal previously seen by the Working Group during May 2014 (with a slight adjustment to address electoral equality). This is shown below as Scenario A.

Cambridge City: Scenario A

Proposed Divisions

ED	Electorate 2020	Variance 2020 (%)
East Chesterton	7884	-4.7
Queen Edith's	9012	8.9
Cherry Hinton	9096	9.9
Castle	8533	3.1
Romsey	9083	9.8
West Chesterton	8674	4.8
Petersfield	7728	-6.6
Abbey	7651	-7.5
Market	8970	8.4
Trumpington	8570	3.6
Newnham	7991	-3.4
King's Hedges	8558	3.4
Total	101750	n/a

Cambridge City: Scenario A



Recommendation Bii. East Cambridgeshire

Notes

For East Cambridgeshire, within the Working Group there were serious concerns expressed relating to the LGBCE draft proposals around a number of the divisions. Specifically opposition was expressed to the LGBCE proposed two Member division named Littleport West, the proposed arrangements for Ely, the proposed creation of a Littleport East & Soham North Division and the proposed two Member division of Soham South & Fordham Villages.

Members of the working group did not reach full agreement and currently propose two alternative scenarios for East Cambridgeshire:

East Cambridgeshire: Scenario A.

(an adapted version of the Working Group's considerations for East Cambridgeshire during 2014).

Proposed Divisions

ED	Electorate 2020	Variance 2020 (%)
Haddenham	7925	-4.2%
Sutton	8820	6.6%
Woodditton	7720	-6.7%
Burwell	7760	-6.2%
Fordham	7800	-5.8%
Ely north and east	8290	0.2%
Soham	7970	-3.7%
Ely central	7625	-7.9%
Littleport	7740	-6.5%
Total	73670	n/a

East Cambridgeshire: Scenario A.

Proposed County Council Submission to the LGBCE, For East Cambridgeshire, July 10th 2015.
Scenario A.



East Cambridgeshire: Scenario B.

(From East Cambridgeshire District Council's / South East Cambridgeshire Conservative Association's submission to the boundary commission).

Proposed Divisions

Division Name	Electorate 2020	Variance 2020 (%)
Littleport	8,350	0.9
Ely West	9,063	9.5
Ely East	7,857	- 5
Sutton North & Downham Villages	7,464	- 9.8
Sutton South & South Ely Villages	7,456	-9.9
Soham North	8,400	1.5
Soham South & South Soham Villages	7,580	-8.4
Burwell	7,760	- 6.2
Woodditton	7,720	- 6.7
Total	73670	n/a

East Cambridgeshire: Scenario B.

Proposed County Council Submission to the LGBCE, For East Cambridgeshire, July 10th 2015.
Scenario B.



Recommendation Biii. Fenland

Notes

For Fenland, concerns were expressed over the proposed LGBCE boundaries for a number of the divisions, most notably in March and Whittlesey and the creation of a two member division of March North & Waldersey. Concern was also expressed regarding the lack of co-terminosity with Fenland District Council Wards.

Members of the Working Group strongly supported that a submission based on 63 single-member divisions should be put forward to full Council for consideration at its meeting on 21 July 2015. However it was minded to propose that full Council also considered submitting a secondary position for 62 single Member divisions as being preferential compared to the draft LGBCE proposal of 61. The working group's secondary position for 62 Member divisions is achieved by a reduction of one division in Fenland therefore two scenarios are included for consideration here.

Generally, given the limitations of the LGBCE review rules, all members of the Working Group felt that these proposals are better than those proposed by the Commission in its draft recommendations.

- However on the proposed schemes there remains disagreement on the split between the two divisions within the Town of Wisbech – this is referenced in the following proposals.
- In addition, on the proposed scheme above for 9 Divisions, some concern exists on the size of the rural Waldersey Division.

Fenland Scenario A: 63 single member divisions with 10 divisions in Fenland

ED	Electorate 2020*	Variance 2020 (%)*
Chatteris	8980	8.5
Fenland North	7450	-9.9
Waldersey	7460	-9.8
Two Wisbech Divisions	16850	n/a
March North East	7720	-6.7
March Central	7600	-8.2
March South East & Rural	7850	-5.1
Whittlesey	7596	-8.2
South West Fenland	7594	-8.2
Total	79100	-

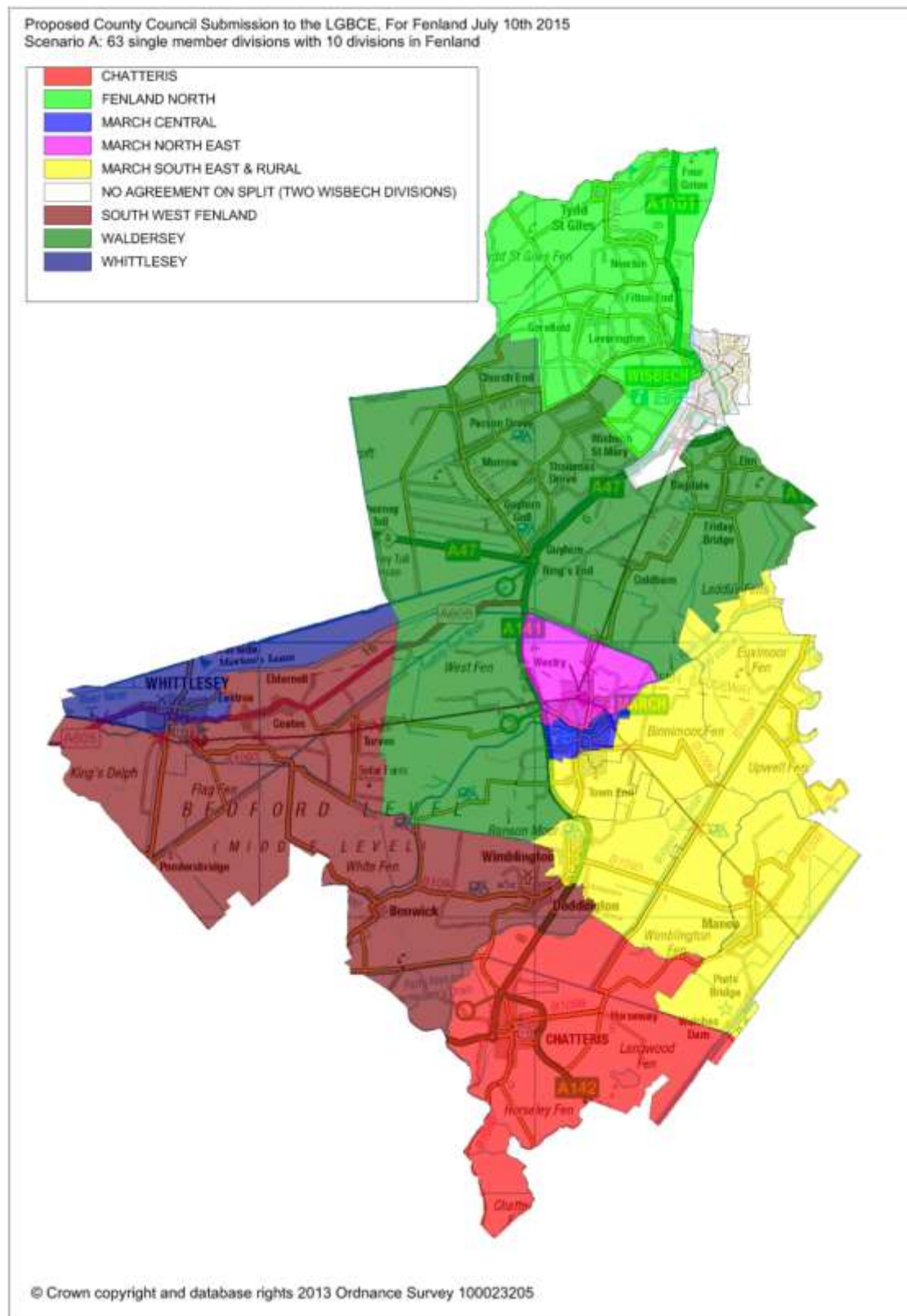
* Figures calculated by Cllr Boden on behalf of the member working group

Fenland Scenario B: 62 single member divisions with 9 divisions in Fenland

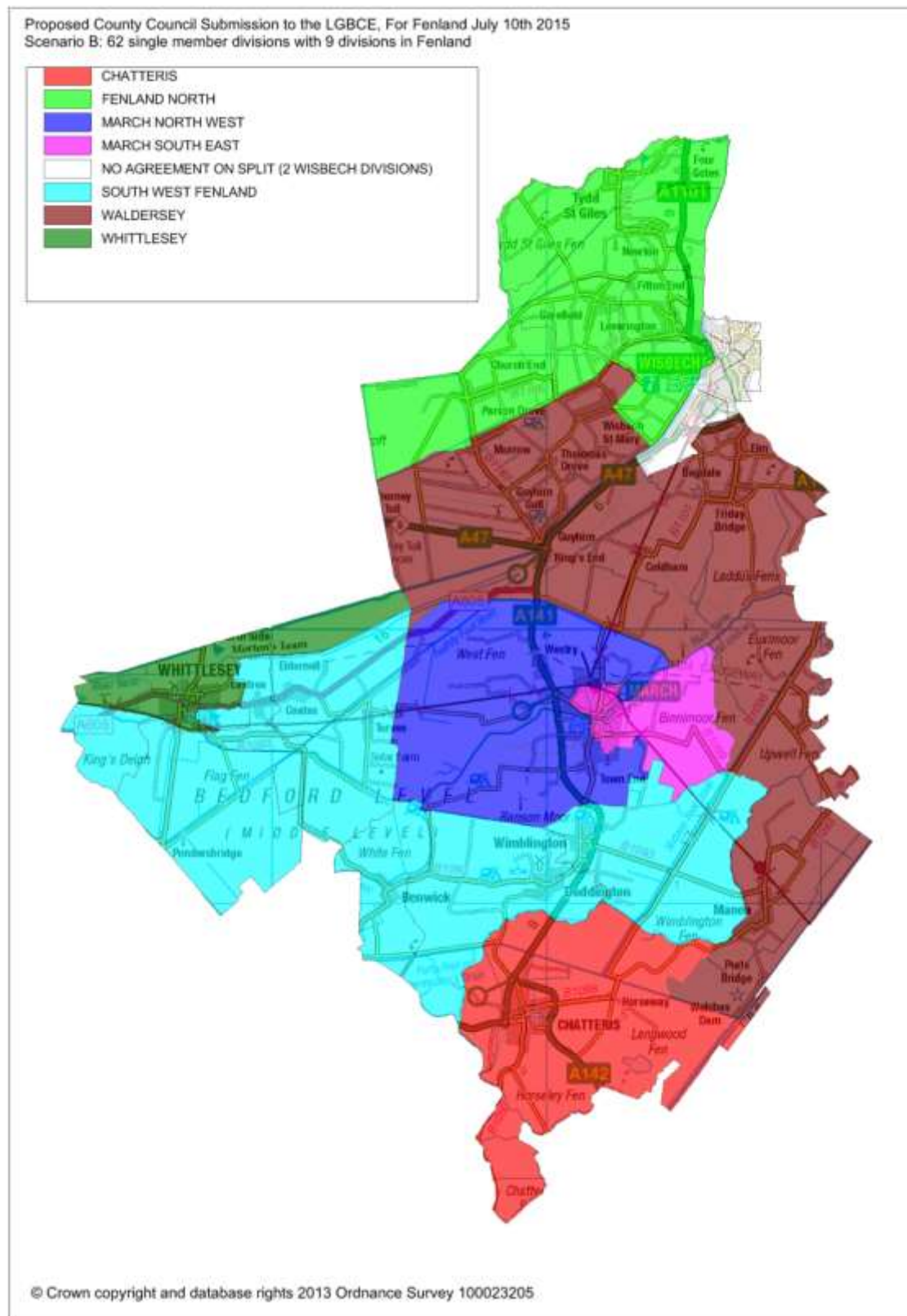
ED	Electorate 2020*	Variance 2020 (%)*
Chatteris	8980	5.1
Fenland North	8470	-0.9
Waldersey	8580	0.4
Two Wisbech Divisions	16850	n/a
March South East	9220	7.9
March North West	9200	7.6
Whittlesey	8700	1.7
South West Fenland	9100	6.5
Total	79100	-

* Figures calculated by Cllr Boden on behalf of the member working group

Fenland Scenario A: 63 single member divisions with 10 divisions in Fenland



Fenland Scenario B: 62 single member divisions with 9 divisions in Fenland



Recommendation Biv. Wisbech

There are only three ways in which the District Council wards in the eastern part of the town of Wisbech may be combined to form two divisions. No agreement was reached between the working group therefore three different options are being brought before full council:

The three options are:

(a) A Wisbech South Division comprised of Medworth, Octavia Hill and Staithe wards and a Wisbech North Division comprised of Waterlees Village, Kirkgate and Clarkson wards.

(b) A Wisbech South Division comprised of Medworth, Octavia Hill and Clarkson wards and a Wisbech North Division comprised of Waterlees Village, Kirkgate and Staithe wards.

(c) A Wisbech Riverside Division comprised of Medworth, Clarkson and Waterlees Village wards and a Wisbech East Division comprised of Octavia Hill, Staithe and Kirkgate wards.

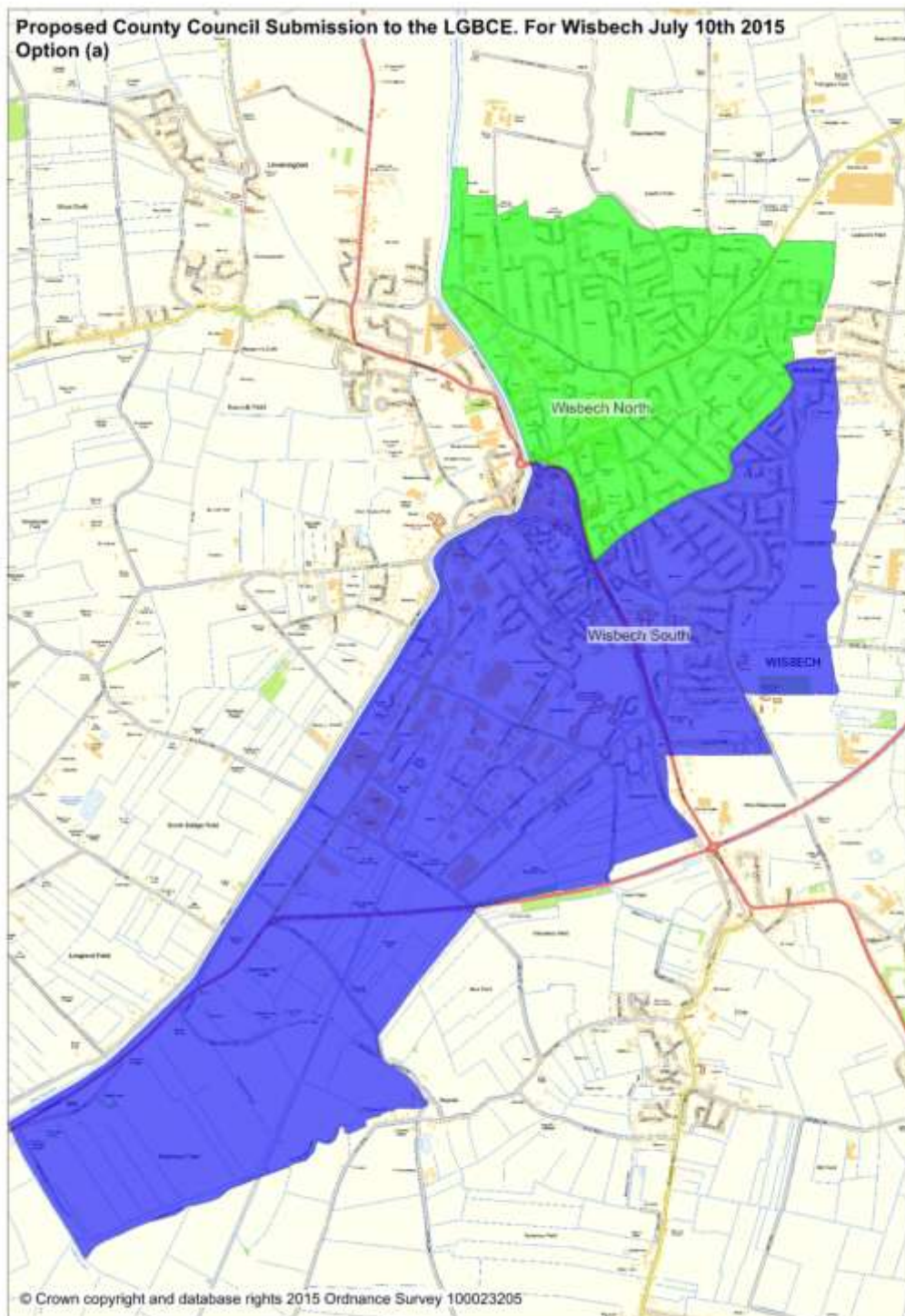
Option (a) is the existing Division arrangement. Option (b) is the arrangement proposed by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. Option (c) is a third proposal discussed at the Members Working Group meeting.

Alternative Proposals for Wisbech Divisions

		2020	variances based on Council size:		
		Electorate	63	62	61
Option (a)	North	8110	-2.01%	-3.56%	-5.11%
	South	8740	5.61%	3.94%	2.26%
Option (b)	North	8551	3.32%	1.69%	0.05%
	South	8299	0.28%	-1.31%	-2.90%
Option (c)	Riverside	8610	4.04%	2.39%	0.74%
	East	8240	-0.43%	-2.01%	-3.59%

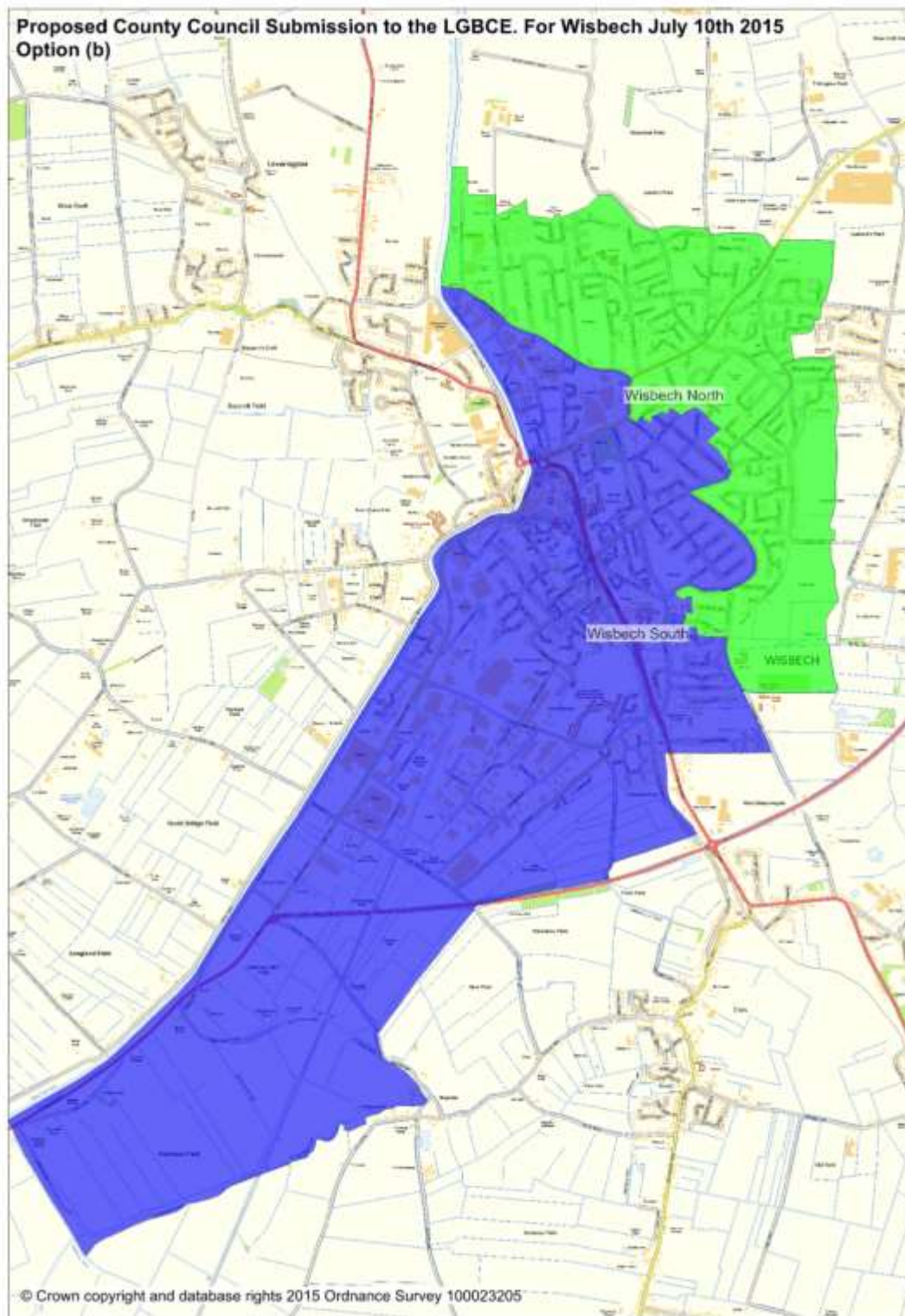
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Option (a)



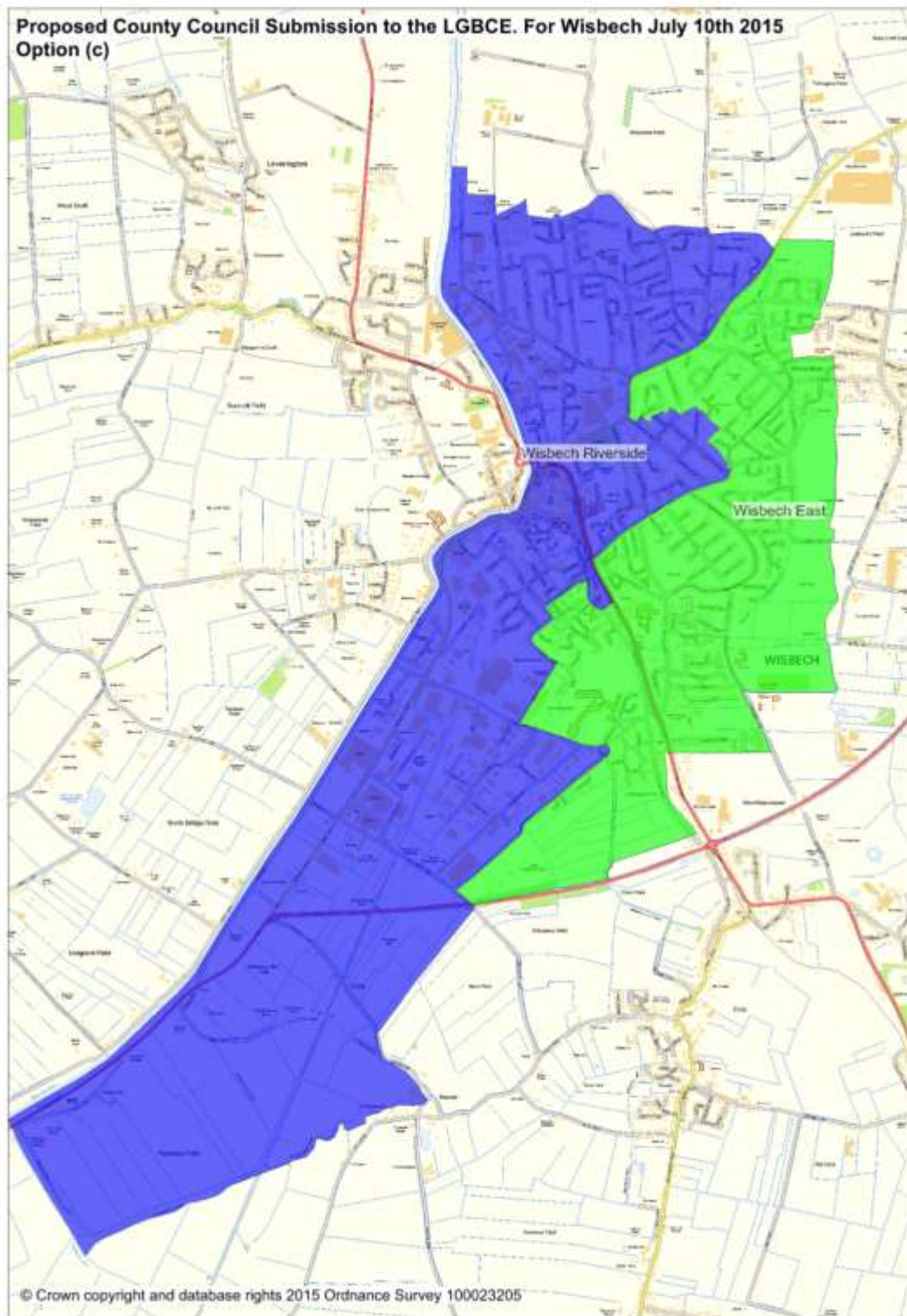
Alternative Proposals for Wisbech Divisions

Option (b)



Alternative Proposals for Wisbech Divisions

Option (c)



Recommendation Bv. Huntingdonshire

Notes

For Huntingdonshire, concerns were expressed with the LGBCE proposal to include Wyton-on-the-Hill in the Somersham & Earith division.

Wyton-on-the-Hill comprises part of a redundant airfield site. Plans are being drawn up for inclusion in the HDC Local Plan to 2036, for considerable future housing expansion. Locally it is felt essential that this new community has democratic, social, economic and transport links with the west of St Ives as its close neighbour. This position is supported by Huntingdonshire District Council. Further Wyton on the Hill has no connection with the Somersham & Earith Division, the principle population areas of which are to the east of St Ives.

It is acknowledged that this would leave the Somersham & Earith Division at around the -10% electoral population in 2020, but this is felt to be justified in consideration of the LGBCE requirement to consider 'Community Identity' and 'Provide for effective and convenient local government'. If necessary, a possible remedy compared to the proposal below is to include the settlement of Broughton within the Somersham & Earith (as now).

Proposed Divisions

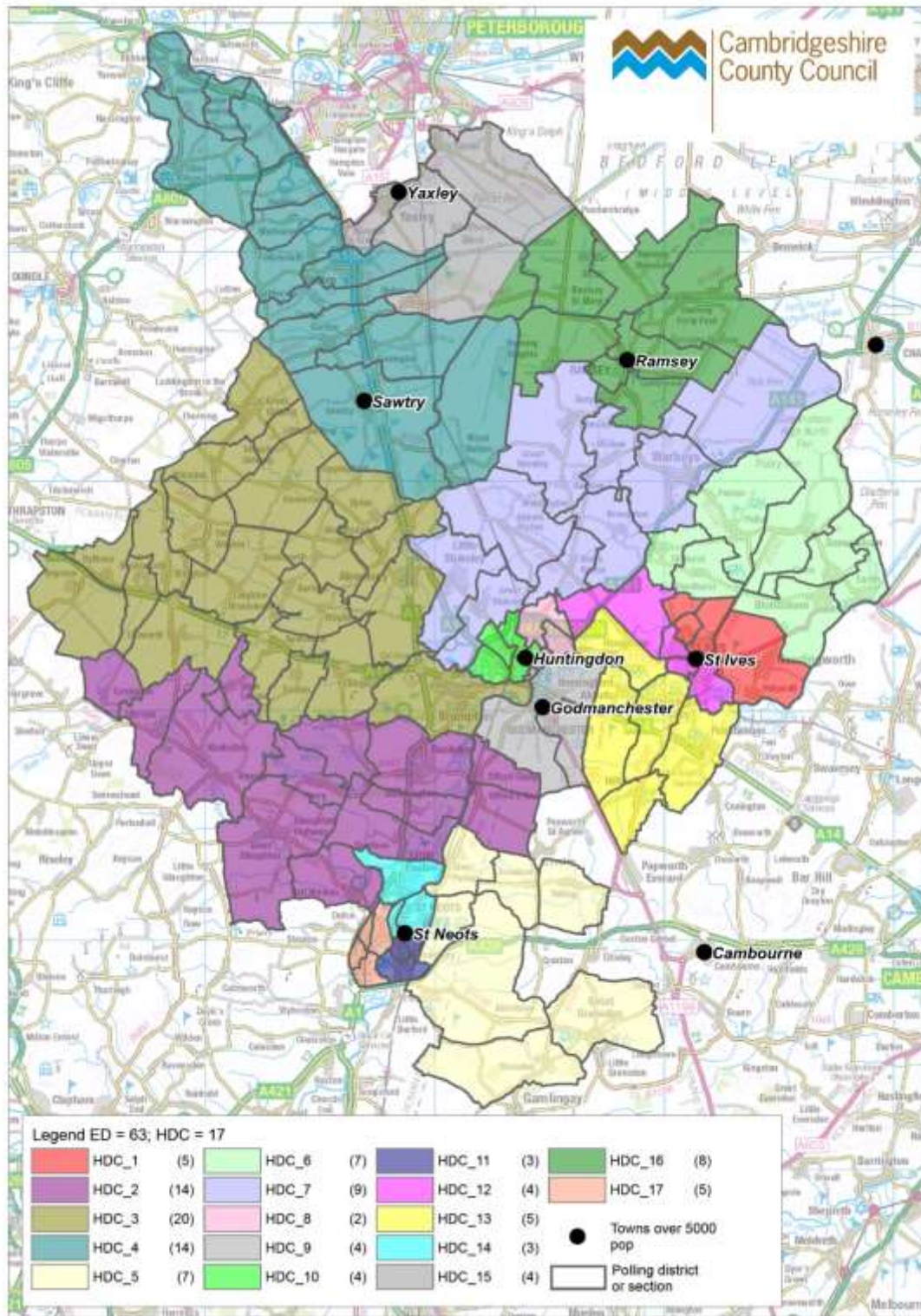
It is proposed to recommend the Member Working Group Scenario V4.0 2014 to Full Council (figures and map as prepared July, 2014).

ED	Electorate 2020	Variance 2020 (%)
HDC_1	7,769	-6
HDC_2	7,460	-10
HDC_3	8,750	6
HDC_4	8,830	7
HDC_5	8,560	3
HDC_6	7,430	-10
HDC_7	8,140	-2
HDC_8	8,320	1
HDC_9	7,990	-3
HDC_10	8,310	0
HDC_11	7,860	-5
HDC_12	8,861	7
HDC_13	8,100	-2
HDC_14	7,870	-5
HDC_15	9,093	10
HDC_16	8,867	7
HDC_17	9,570	16
Total	141,780	-

Recommendation Bv. Proposed Divisions for Huntingdonshire

(Map as prepared for full council in July 2014)

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Recommendation Bvi. South Cambridgeshire

For **South Cambridgeshire** the draft LGBCE proposals were unopposed and members of the group agreed not to bring forward an alternative proposal for ful