Boundary Commission Review of Cheshire East Council's Electoral Arrangements

Electoral Review Sub-Committee (ERSC) meetings to decide on warding proposals

Meeting 7:
31 January 2024
Decisions on outstanding warding arrangements

Arrangements for Shavington/Rope and Congleton



Shavington, Rope



Shavington and Rope: matters to decide

Whether this area should have a two-Member ward, or two single-Member wards.

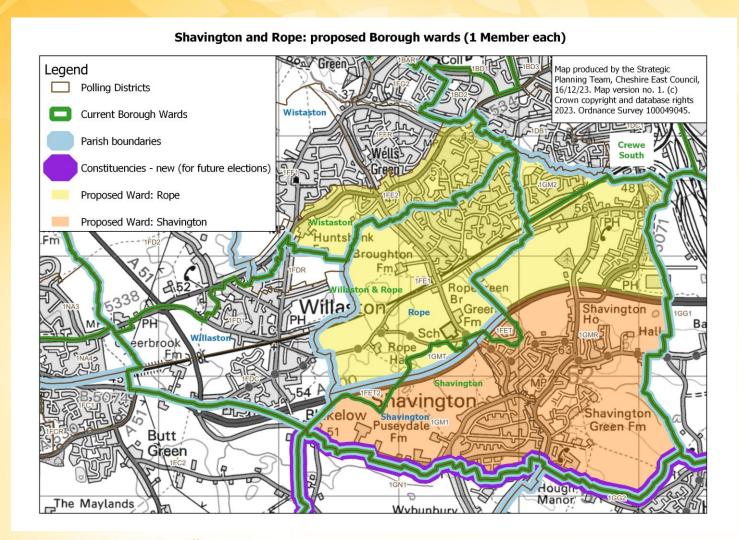
In the map on the next slide, the different colour shadings indicate the areas that each potential ward would cover:

- The yellow shading shows the area of a would-be single-Member 'Rope & Gresty' ward.
- The orange shading shows the area of a would-be single-Member 'Shavington' ward.
- The yellow and orange shading collectively shows the full extent of a would-be two-Member ward, which would be called 'Shavington'.



Shavington/ Rope* ward area extent and potential division (shown by the different colour shadings) into two single-Member wards

*Note: It is proposed that, if split into single-Member wards, the northern (yellow shaded) ward would be called 'Rope & Gresty'.





Shavington and Rope: warding

Current warding:

Ward name	Seats	Electors (2023)	Ratio of electors to seats (2023)	Variance of ratio from Borough average (2023)	Electors (2030)	Ratio of electors to seats (2030)	Variance of ratio from Borough average (2030)
Shavington	1	4,760	<mark>4,7</mark> 60	+24%	5,009	5,009	+22%
Willaston & Rope	1	4,332	4,332	+13%	4,324	4,324	+5%
Wistaston	2	7,953	3,977	+4%	7,979	3,990	-3%

Two single-Member ward option:

Ward name	Seats	Electors (2023)	Ratio of electors to seats (2023)	Variance of ratio from average (2023)	Electors (2030)	Ratio of electors to seats (2030)	Variance of ratio from average (2030)
Rope and Gresty	1	4,528	<mark>4,</mark> 528	+18%	4,522	4,522	+10%
Shavington	1	4,021	4,021	+5%	4,262	4,262	+4%

Two-Member ward option:

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Shavington	2	8,549	4,275	+11%	8,784	4,392	+7%

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Congleton



Matters to decide

The Sub-Committee has already decided on the boundaries of the wards that would surround Congleton, and that the Congleton wards collectively will have 6 Members. However, the names and number of Congleton wards, and the boundaries between now, still need to be agreed.

2 options below presented:

- A division into two wards, with three Members each.
- A division into three wards, with two Members each.

Both options would bring the Kestrel Close estate (Local Plan site LPS 32) entirely within Congleton East. The estate is currently split between Congleton's two existing wards and between the COC1 and COS4 polling districts. The three-ward arrangement takes the LPS 32 boundary as the new ward boundary line in this location, but the two-ward option (to achieve a more even number of electors in each ward) would transfer a larger area of COC1 (not just its LPS 32 part) to the East ward.



Congleton: warding

Current warding:

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Congleton East	3	10,833	3,611	-6%	11,002	3,667	-11%
Congleton West	3	12,224	4,075	+6%	12, <mark>587</mark>	4,196	+2%

2-ward option:

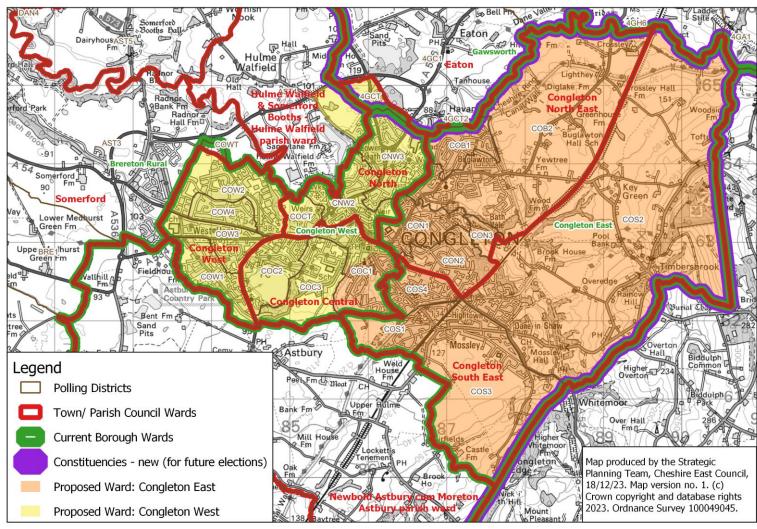
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Congleton East	3	11,910	3,970	+3%	12,171	4,057	-1%
Congleton West	3	11,631	3,877	+1%	12,386	4,129	0%

3-ward option:

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Ward name	Seats	Electors (2023)	Ratio of electors to seats (2023)	Variance of ratio from Borough average (2023)	Electors (2030)	Ratio of electors to seats (2030)	Variance of ratio from Borough average (2030)
Congleton East	2	8,121	4,061	+6%	8,384	4,192	+2%
Congleton North	2	7,288	3,644	-5%	7,847	3,924	-5%
Congleton West	2	8,132	4,066	+6%	8,326	4,163	-1%
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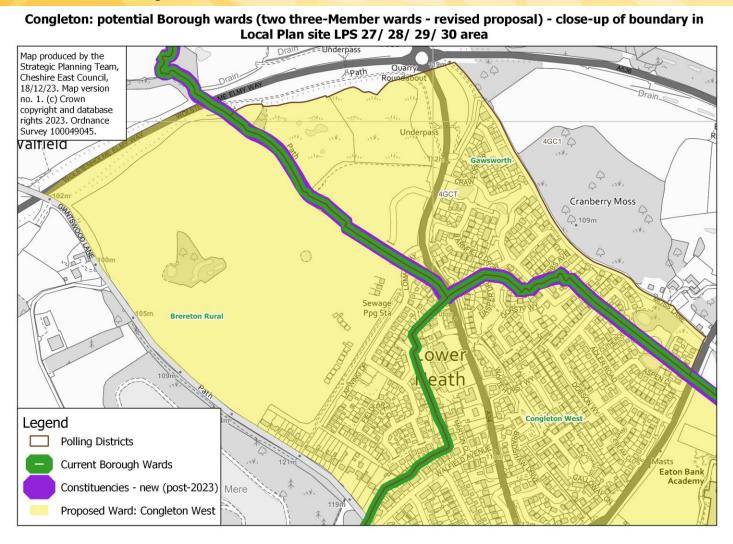
Congleton: 2-ward option

Congleton: potential Borough wards (two three-Member ward - revised proposal)



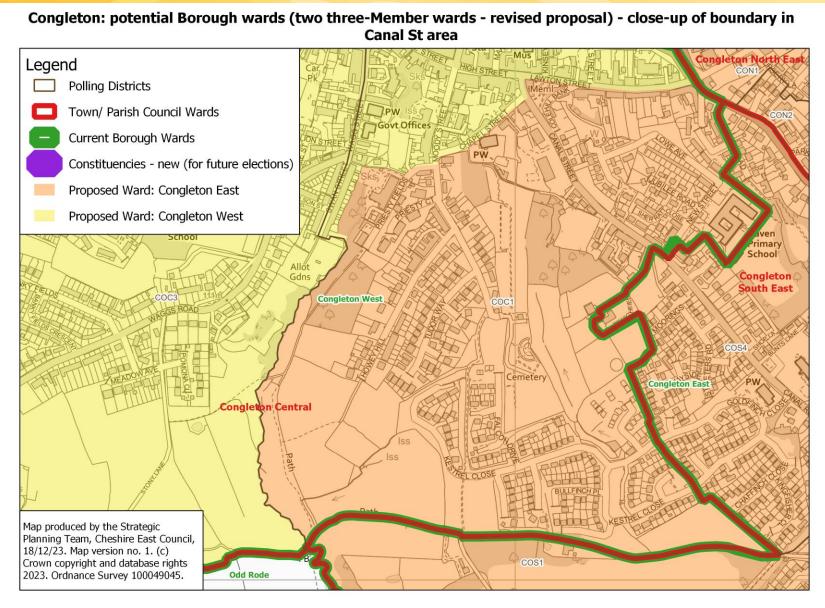
Congleton: 2-ward option – close-up of Link Road area*

*This boundary with the adjacent (Gawsworth) Borough ward would be the same under both the 2- and 3-ward options. However, under the 3-ward option, the yellow shaded area shown below would be part of the would-be Congleton North ward.



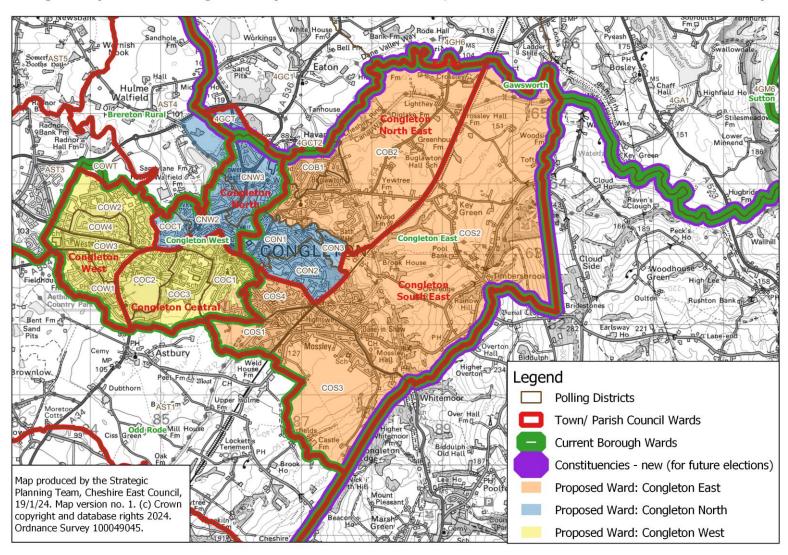


Congleton: 2-ward option – close-up of Canal St/ Kestrel Close area



Congleton: 3-ward option

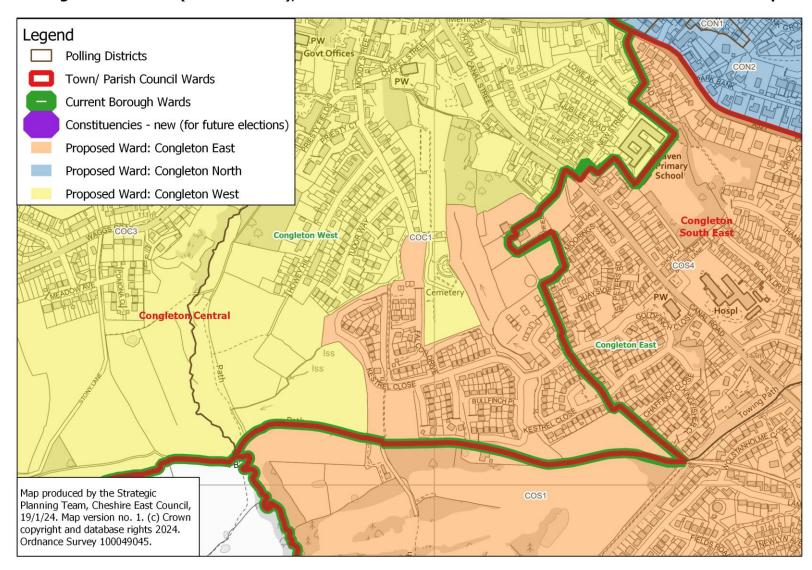
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Congleton: 3-ward option – close-up of Canal St/ Kestrel Close area

Congleton - 3 wards (19 Jan variant), but with Kestrel Close estate all in East ward: Kestrel Close close-up



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