



DEMOCRATIC AUDIT ALTERNATIVE BOUNDARY MODEL FOR THE WEST MIDLANDS – BLACK COUNTRY

The main plan for the West Midlands was published in June 2011. This alternative plan for constituencies in the Black Country presents a revised set of boundaries which avoid the split wards that were present in the original version.

The seats here may be compared with those in the original plan to see which best fit the Commission's priorities and local views.

In the following tables, constituencies that are unchanged on the original Democratic Audit plan are marked with a *.

West Midlands – Black Country

*ALDRIDGE-BROWNHILLS (77,797)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Aldridge-Brownhills	Walsall MB	Entire current constituency	59,506	76.5
Walsall South	Walsall MB	Paddock, Pheasey Park Farm	18,291	23.5

DUDLEY NORTH AND BILSTON (79,036)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Dudley North	Dudley MB	Castle & Priory, Gornal, St James's, Sedgley, Upper Gornal & Woodsetton	51,551	65.2
Wolverhampton South East	Wolverhampton MB	Bilston (2)	17,828	34.8
Wolverhampton South East	Dudley MB	Coseley East	9,657	

DUDLEY SOUTH AND ROWLEY REGIS (79,756)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Dudley South	Dudley MB	Brockmoor & Pensnett, Kingswinford (2), Netherton etc, Wordsley	51,203	64.2
Dudley North	Dudley MB	St Thomas's	10,163	12.7
West Bromwich West	Sandwell MB	Tividale	9,226	11.6
Halesowen & Rowley Regis	Sandwell MB	Rowley	9,164	11.5

West Midlands – Black Country (cont.)

HALESOWEN (76,752)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Halesowen & Rowley Regis	Dudley MB	Belle Vale, Halesowen (2), Hayley Green & Cradley South	39,227	76.2
Halesowen & Rowley Regis	Sandwell MB	Blackheath, Cradley Heath & Old Hill	19,265	
Warley	Sandwell MB	Bristnall, Langley	18,260	23.8

STOURBRIDGE (80,330)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Stourbridge	Dudley MB	Entire current constituency	70,225	87.4
Dudley South	Dudley MB	Brierley Hill	10,105	12.6

WALSALL NORTH (75,174)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Walsall North	Walsall MB	Entire current constituency	65,468	87.1
Walsall South	Walsall MB	St Matthew's	9,706	12.9

WALSALL SOUTH AND WEDNESBURY (74,720)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Walsall South	Walsall MB	Darlaston (2), Palfrey, Pleck	38,085	51.0
West Bromwich West	Sandwell MB	Wednesbury (2), Prince's End	27,550	36.9
West Bromwich East	Sandwell MB	Friar Park	9,085	12.2

WEST BROMWICH (73,138)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
West Bromwich West	Sandwell MB	Great Bridge, Oldbury, Tipton Green	28,473	38.9
West Bromwich East	Sandwell MB	Greets Green & Lyng, Hateley Heath, West Bromwich Central	26,093	35.7
Warley	Sandwell MB	St Paul's, Smethwick	18,572	25.4

West Midlands – Black Country (cont.)

WOLVERHAMPTON NORTH (75,438)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Wolverhampton North East	Wolverhampton MB	Entire current constituency	60,354	80.0
Wolverhampton South East	Wolverhampton MB	East Park	8,677	11.5
Wolverhampton South West	Wolverhampton MB	St. Peter's	6,407	8.5

WOLVERHAMPTON SOUTH (79,028)				
Current constituency	Local authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Wolverhampton South West	Wolverhampton MB	Graiseley, Merry Hill, Park, Penn, Tettenhall (2)	53,439	67.6
Wolverhampton South East	Wolverhampton MB	Blakenhall, Ettingshall, Spring Vale	25,589	32.4

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