

Manchester City Council Report for Resolution

Report to: City Council - 5 December 2012
Constitutional and Nomination Committee – 21 November 2012

Subject: Review of Parliamentary Constituencies

Report of: The Chief Executive

Purpose of the report

To enable the Council to consider the revised proposals of the Boundary Commission for England (BCE) for parliamentary constituencies in the North-West and, more particularly, Manchester and Greater Manchester.

Recommendations

The Council is requested:

1. To determine whether it agrees or disagrees, in whole or part, with the BCE's revised proposals for parliamentary constituencies in Manchester
 2. To the extent that it disagrees, if at all, to put forward alternative proposals which meet the statutory criteria and whose knock-on effect can be demonstrated not to prejudice the achievement of the statutory criteria in neighbouring areas across the region.
 3. To authorise the Chief Executive to respond to the BCE by 10 December 2012.
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Wards affected:

All

Financial consequences for revenue budget:

None

Financial consequences for capital budget:

None

Implications for:

Equal Opportunities
No

Risk Management
No

Legal Considerations
See report

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Background documents:

- Boundary Commission for England - Revised Proposals - North West
- Report of the Chief Executive to Council on 12 October 2011
- Representations of the Council to the BCE

1. Background

- 1.1 The Boundary Commission for England (BCE) is conducting its Sixth general review of Parliamentary Constituencies ("the 2013 Review") in England following the enactment of the Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act") which amended the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986 ("the Act") and changed the rules for the redistribution of seats.

- 1.2 The principal changes introduced by the 2011 Act were as follows:

1.2.1 Number of UK Constituencies

The Act now provides that the number of constituencies in the UK shall be 600 - this is a reduction of 50 from the current number of 650.

1.2.2 Allocation of Seats to part of the UK

The Act provides that the number of seats in each of the 4 nations of the UK should be allocated to each nation in proportion to their registered electorate (as at 1 December 2010); it also provides for 4 protected constituencies, namely, Orkney & Shetland (currently protected), Na h-Eileanan an Iar (Western Isles) and 2 constituencies in the Isle of Wight. The effect of the above resulted in an allocation as follows:

England - 502
Scotland - 52
Wales - 30
Northern Ireland - 16

[This means that England loses 31 seats, Scotland 7, Wales 10, and Northern Ireland 2.]

1.2.3 Electorate per Constituency

Except for the protected constituencies, the electorate of any seat must be -

- (a) no less than 95% of the UK electoral quota, and
- (b) no more than 105% of the quota

The UK quota works out at **76,641**, and therefore constituencies must have an electorate of no less than **72,810** and no more than **80,473**. This is known as the statutory electorate range.

- 1.3 The Act provides that the BCE may take into account the boundaries of the English regions and therefore the BCE determined, following consultation, to use these boundaries in their initial proposals and that seats would be allocated to each region in proportion to their registered electorate. This meant that the North West was allocated 68 seats (a reduction of 7).

1.4 In determining constituency boundaries, the BCE must ensure that all seats (other than the protected constituencies) should have a registered electorate within the statutory range. Subject to this, the BCE may take into account:-

- Special geographical considerations, including in particular the size, shape and accessibility of a constituency
- Local government boundaries (i.e. counties, districts and wards) as they existed in May 2010
- The boundaries of existing constituencies
- Any local ties that would be broken by changes in constituencies

In the event, the BCE decided to give greater weight to ward boundaries than the other discretionary factors and in their initial proposals did not split a single ward in England. This contrasted with the practice of the Boundary Commission for Scotland which placed much more weight on district boundaries and decided to split several wards to avoid crossing district boundaries.

2. BCE Initial Proposals for Manchester and Greater Manchester

2.1 On 13 September 2011 the BCE published its initial proposals for England, including 68 seats for the North West. Cumbria was allocated 5 seats, Merseyside (less Wirral) 10 seats and Greater Manchester, Lancashire and Cheshire (plus Wirral) the remaining 53 seats. Greater Manchester which currently has 27 seats was allocated 24 whole seats and 2 cross-boundary seats of which the largest part was in Greater Manchester. Poynton ward from Cheshire East was included in a Hazel Grove and Poynton seat, and seven Rossendale wards were included in a new Rochdale North and Rawtenstall seat.

2.2 Manchester is currently grouped with Salford and Trafford and the 3 local government areas have 9 seats between them. Three of these are wholly in Manchester (Central, Gorton and Withington) and two are cross-boundary seats, the largest parts of which are in Manchester (Blackley and Broughton and Wythenshawe & Sale East).

2.3 The BCE's initial proposals involved 6 proposed new seats containing Manchester wards, of which 2 were wholly within Manchester (Gorton and Withington). Manchester wards made up the largest part of 3 cross-boundary seats with 2 crossing the Salford boundary (Blackley & Broughton and Manchester Central) and one crossing the Trafford border (Wythenshawe). One Manchester ward - Charlestown - was incorporated in a new cross-boundary Middleton seat which also contained wards from Oldham and Rochdale.

2.4 The overall effect of the initial proposals was that 9 Manchester wards changed constituency containing 94,871 electors (27.5% of all Manchester electors). In more detail;-

- **Miles Platting & Newton** and **Moston** wards moved from Manchester Central to Blackley and Broughton
- **Ardwick** and **Moss Side** wards moved from Manchester Central to Manchester Gorton
- **Fallowfield** and **Whalley Range** wards moved from Manchester Gorton to Manchester Withington
- **Didsbury East** and **Didsbury West** moved from Manchester Withington to Wythenshawe
- **Charlestown** ward moved from Blackley & Broughton to the new Middleton seat

In addition, Manchester Central was supplemented by 4 wards from the Salford and Eccles seat and the Wythenshawe seat lost two of its three Sale wards (only retaining Sale Moor).

3. Representations of the City Council to the BCE

3.1 Following a report to the Constitutional & Nomination Committee and the City Council, detailed representations were submitted to the BCE.

3.2 Although the Council welcomed the proposal to restore the Moston ward to the Blackley seat of which it had been part from 1918 - 2010, it did not support any of the BCE's proposed seats for Manchester. In particular, the Council believed that the initial proposals did not sufficiently take account of;-

- The boundaries of existing constituencies, or
- The local ties that would be broken by changes in constituencies

The Council did not accept that changes of the extent proposed were necessary either to satisfy the statutory requirements or to secure that neighbouring constituencies satisfied those requirements - indeed, the consequential effect of the changes was to break ties in neighbouring areas as well.

Local Ties

3.3 The Council's objection focussed in particular on 3 aspects of the initial proposals which broke local ties and ignored geographical features;-

- The creation of the proposed Manchester Central seat which combined 4 wards from Central Manchester with 4 wards from Central Salford breaking ties on both sides.

- The inclusion of the two Didsbury wards in the Wythenshawe seat crossing the Mersey Valley and breaking ties in South Manchester
 - The inclusion of the Charlestown ward in a Middleton seat containing wards from 3 different local authorities and breaking Charlestown's ties with other North Manchester wards
- 3.4 The broken ties in Manchester did not appear to produce compensatory benefit elsewhere in Greater Manchester. Salford was split and the Salford name erased from the political map and other broken ties included;-
- **Leigh** being split between Leigh and Westhoughton seats (with its centre in Westhoughton)
 - **Ashton-under-Lyne** being split between the Ashton and Denton seats (with its centre in Denton)
 - The towns of **Horwich**, **Chadderton**, **Royton**, and **Heywood** being split between 2 seats and **Sale** being split between 3 seats (instead of two)

Existing Constituencies

- 3.5 The Council pointed out that the BCE only proposed to maintain 2 existing seats totally unchanged (Bury South and Wigan), despite the fact that 11 existing seats fell within the statutory range, namely;-

Bury South	Leigh
Heywood & Middleton	Makerfield
Rochdale	Wigan
Manchester Gorton	Salford & Eccles
Manchester Withington	Worsley & Eccles South
Wythenshawe & Sale East	

- 3.6 Whilst recognising the difficult task facing the BCE as a result of the reduction in seats, the imposition of a tight statutory electorate range, and the large size of the wards in Greater Manchester and Cheshire, the Council felt that some of the BCE's difficulties were self inflicted. In particular;-
- Although some Lancashire electors had to be transferred into a Greater Manchester seat, the BCE chose to transfer them into Rochdale disrupting two seats (Rochdale and Heywood & Middleton) which met the statutory criteria rather than into Bolton or Bury where existing seats were undersized (e.g. the 3 Bolton seats and Bury North)
 - The BCE chose to solve the problem of the two slightly undersized Trafford seats (Altrincham & Sale West and Stretford & Urmston) by removing 2 wards from the existing Wythenshawe & Sale East seat which meets the statutory criteria - this in turn disrupted the existing Withington and Gorton seats which again meet the statutory criteria.

- The BCE elevated its otherwise sensible policy of not splitting wards except in exceptional circumstances to an inflexible policy of not splitting wards in any circumstances, even where this would better satisfy other statutory considerations.

4. Manchester Counter-Proposal

- 4.1 In putting forward a counter-proposal, the Council noted that of the 9 existing seats within the Manchester/Salford/Trafford grouping, 5 seats were within the statutory electorate range:

- Manchester Gorton (74,681)
- Manchester Withington (73,656)
- Wythenshawe & Sale East (75,602)
- Salford & Eccles (76,863)
- Worsley & Eccles South (73,409)

In addition, the transfer of Moston ward (10,903 electors) from Manchester Central to its more natural home in Blackley & Broughton would bring both these seats within the statutory range (78,616 and 79,909 respectively). This would also enable not only the two Salford seats to remain unchanged, but also the 3 Wigan seats which were also within the statutory range to remain unchanged.

- 4.2 However, it was noted that this counter-proposal would have the consequence of leaving undersized the two seats wholly within Trafford - Altrincham & Sale West and Stretford & Urmston. This would need to be remedied by transferring electors into that seat from either Cheshire East or Warrington. The Council proposed that Lymm ward from Warrington should be transferred into an Altrincham seat. This in turn would have enabled the rest of Warrington and Halton to form 3 whole seats and avoided having to establish a controversial and unsatisfactory Mersey Banks seat which straddled the river at one of its widest points where there is no crossing.

5. BCE Revised Proposals

- 5.1 Following a two-part consultation and 5 public hearings in the North West, the BCE published revised proposals on 16 October 2012. It must be said that in the North West and Greater Manchester generally the revised proposals are a considerable improvement on the initial proposals, although this is less so in Manchester. The full BCE report is a background document which is published on the Council's website, alongside the agenda and this report. It can also be accessed on the BCE website

www.consultation.boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk.

- 5.2 The revised proposals continue to provide for 24 seats wholly within Greater Manchester and 2 seats mainly within the county (compared the existing 27 seats). Details of the proposed seats in Manchester appear in Appendix 1. An

analysis of the proposed seats in Greater Manchester is contained in Appendix 2.

- 5.3 Under the revised proposals, seven of the proposed seats contain Manchester wards, but only one is wholly within Manchester (Manchester Withington). Manchester wards make up the largest part of four cross-boundary constituencies (Blackley & Broughton, Manchester Central, Manchester Gorton & Reddish North). Crumpsall ward is incorporated in the Bury South seat and Whalley Range is transferred to Stretford & Urmston. However, only 4 wards (compared with 9 in the initial proposals) change constituency. These wards contain 41,761 electors (12.1% of all Manchester electors, compared with 27.5% under the initial proposals).

- 5.4 In more detail (compared with existing constituencies):-

BLACKLEY AND BROUGHTON gains Moston and Miles Platting & Newton Heath from the existing Manchester Central, but loses Crumpsall to Bury South

MANCHESTER CENTRAL loses Moston and Miles Platting & Newton Heath to Blackley and Broughton, but gains Droylsden West from Ashton-under-Lyne

MANCHESTER GORTON AND REDDISH NORTH loses Whalley Range to Stretford & Urmston, but gains Reddish North from Denton and Reddish

MANCHESTER WITHINGTON remains unchanged

WYTHENSHAW AND SALE EAST remains unchanged

BURY SOUTH gains Crumpsall from Blackley and Broughton, but loses the Bury ward of Unsworth to Bury North

STRETFORD AND URMSTON gains Whalley Range from Manchester Gorton, but loses the Trafford ward of Bucklow St. Martins to Altrincham and Sale West.

- 5.5 These revised proposals for Manchester offer some improvements over the initial proposals, namely:-

- The retention unchanged of Manchester Withington and Wythenshawe & Sale East and the respecting of the geographical feature of the Mersey Valley
- The withdrawal of the proposal to combine the centre of Manchester with the centre of Salford with the resultant breaking of local ties.
- The reduction of the number of wards changing constituency from nine to four
- The retention of Charlestown ward in a Manchester based seat

5.6 However, the proposals contain a number of particularly unsatisfactory features, in particular:-

- The fact that only one seat is wholly within Manchester and that Manchester wards are split between 7 seats (compared with the existing 5, and 6 under the initial proposals)
- The inclusion of Crumpsall and Whalley Range as "orphan wards" in Bury South and Stretford & Urmston - together with Droylsden West and Reddish North being "orphan wards" in the Central and Gorton seats.
- The odd horseshoe shape of the resultant Blackley and Broughton seat
- The fact that Whalley Range ward would move constituency for the fourth consecutive review (although this was also the case under the initial proposals)

5.7 Turning to Greater Manchester as a whole, the key points of the revised proposals are as follows:-

- 9 of the 11 existing constituencies within the statutory range are retained unchanged (compared with 2 under the initial proposals)
- These include the seats in Rochdale, Wigan and Salford which are all unchanged
- The seat which disappears is in Tameside rather than Salford, with Denton & Reddish being effectively merged with Ashton-under-Lyne
- Oldham is split into 2 seats wholly within the borough
- The cross-county boundary seats are Hazel Grove & Poynton as in the initial proposals, and Bolton North & Darwen with Lancashire electors being transferred into a Bolton rather than a Rochdale seat
- 24 of the 26 proposed seats are either unchanged or based on a very recognisable predecessor with only a few changed wards - indeed there are very few name changes either. The only seats which are significantly new are the merged Ashton-under-Lyne & Denton, and Bolton North & Darwen
- Several towns split by the initial proposals are re-united in the revised proposals, namely, Leigh, Ashton-under-Lyne, Horwich, Chadderton, Royton and Heywood, although this is at the expense of splitting Droylsden and Reddish

6. **The Council's Response**

- 6.1 If the Council wishes to respond to the BCE's revised proposals, it must do so no later than 10 December 2012. The Council is asked to decide whether it agrees or disagrees, in whole or in part, with the revised proposals, and to the extent that it disagrees to put forward counter-proposals which are in accordance with the statutory criteria. It is important in this respect to ensure that any counter-proposals do not prejudice the achievement of the statutory criteria in neighbouring areas.
- 6.2 In considering any counter- proposals, it is necessary to understand the factors which have resulted in the unsatisfactory nature of the proposals in result to Whalley Range and Crumpsall wards, and which will have to be overcome in constructing any counter proposal.

Whalley Range

- 6.3 The proposals for Whalley Range result from the fact that the two seats wholly within Trafford (Altrincham & Sale West and Stretford & Urmston) are both slightly undersized. Remedying this within Trafford (by transferred wards from Wythenshawe & Sale East as in the initial proposals) has the effect of disrupting the whole pattern of existing seats in Manchester and Salford. The alternative was to transfer a seat from Cheshire, Salford or Manchester. It would be difficult to transfer a seat from Salford as this would involve crossing the Manchester Ship Canal and the BCE rejected a proposal on those lines. The Council proposed transferring Lymm into an Altrincham seat. However, this was rejected as it would have involved another cross-county boundary seat. This only left a Manchester ward, of which four border Stretford & Urmston (i.e. Hulme, Moss Side, Whalley Range and Chorlton). Hulme and Moss Side are probably more integral to Manchester Central and Chorlton to Manchester Withington than Whalley Range is to Manchester Gorton. In addition, the BCE noted that Whalley Range had been part of the Stretford constituency between 1983-1997. In these circumstances, the BCE chose to transfer Whalley Range to make up the Trafford numbers.
- 6.4 It may be difficult to construct a counter-proposal to this unless the BCE can be persuaded to agree another cross-county boundary seat.

Crumpsall

- 6.5 The inclusion of Crumpsall in the Bury South seat has resulted from a combination of factors:-
- Bury North is undersized and in the initial proposals it was supplemented by a ward from Bolton (Bradshaw). Under the revised proposals, Bradshaw is in the Bolton North & Darwen seat and Bury North has been supplemented from Bury South by the transfer of the Unsworth ward leaving Bury South a ward short
 - In eastern Greater Manchester, Rochdale and Oldham are divided into two seats each. The same is proposed for Tameside, but it has one ward too

many which must be transferred to a non-Tameside seat. The proposal is for Droylsden West to transfer to Manchester Central

- The revised proposals for Stockport involve 3 seats whose electorates just exceed the statutory minimum [Cheadle (72,826), Stockport (73,205), Hazel Grove & Poynton (73,091)]. Unfortunately, Reddish North (10,555 electors) cannot be included in any of them because of its size without splitting a ward. The BCE refuse to do this except in exceptional circumstances.¹

6.6 Because there are two floating wards (Droylsden West and Reddish North) to replace Whalley Range, this means that Manchester Central must lose Miles Platting & Newton Heath ward as well as Moston to Blackley & Broughton. This in turn means that Blackley & Broughton is too large and must lose electors to Bury South.

6.7 The numbers dictated that Blackley & Broughton had to lose between 9,828 and 17,491 electors if it was to meet the statutory criteria; Bury South required between 5,111 and 12,774 additional voters. Of the wards neighbouring Bury South (i.e. Crumpsall, Higher Blackley and Kersal) only Crumpsall (9,869) had a sufficient number to reduce Blackley & Broughton to the correct size. On the other hand, transferring both Salford wards (Kersal and Broughton) to Bury South would leave Bury South too large (although Blackley & Broughton would remain in range).

6.8 Again, it may be difficult to construct a counter-proposal which does not involve splitting a ward in Stockport. Even then, an alternative solution to the undersized Bury North would have to be found.

7. Final Recommendations and Report

7.1 The BCE will consider any representations on the revised proposals made during the 8 week consultation period which expires on 10 December and make final decisions on whether further modifications need to be made in light of those representations. There will be no further consultation. This suggests that the BCE is unlikely to make radical changes to its revised proposals and that any such changes will be relatively self contained.

7.2 When the BCE has decided on its final recommendations for the whole of England, it must submit a formal report to the Secretary of State before 1 October 2013, along with the Boundary Commissions for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. The reports must then be approved by both Houses of Parliament.

¹ The BCE's test of exceptional circumstances is so extreme that in the initial proposals no wards were split in the whole of England and in the revised proposals only two wards were split - both in Gloucestershire to avoid the centre of Gloucester being excluded from the Gloucester seat which otherwise would have been mathematically and geographically impossible

- 7.3 If the reports are approved, the new boundaries will come into effect at the next General Election. Current indications are that for a variety of reasons the reports will not be approved by Parliament and that this particular "cut" may not proceed. In that case, the next election will be fought on existing boundaries.

8. Recommendations

- 8.1 The recommendations appear at the front of the report.

APPENDIX 1

BCE REVISED PROPOSALS - MANCHESTER CONSTITUENCIES

Blackley and Broughton (80,432)

Charlestown	Manchester	10,004
Cheetham	Manchester	13,255
Harpurhey	Manchester	11,384
Higher Blackley	Manchester	9,077
Miles Platting & Newton Heath	Manchester	10,392
Moston	Manchester	10,903
Broughton	Salford	7,599
Kersal	Salford	7,818

Manchester Central (77,287)

Ancoats & Clayton	Manchester	11,219
Ardwick	Manchester	11,633
Bradford	Manchester	10,381
City Centre	Manchester	12,731
Hulme	Manchester	11,347
Moss Side	Manchester	10,913
Droylsden West	Tameside	9,063

Manchester Gorton and Reddish North (74,639)

Fallowfield	Manchester	10,531
Gorton North	Manchester	10,574
Gorton South	Manchester	11,753
Levenshulme	Manchester	10,733
Longsight	Manchester	10,451
Rusholme	Manchester	10,042
Reddish North	Stockport	10,555

Manchester Withington (73,656)

Burnage	Manchester	10,438
Chorlton	Manchester	10,531
Chorlton Park	Manchester	10,720
Didsbury East	Manchester	10,402
Didsbury West	Manchester	9,976
Old Moat	Manchester	10,641
Withington	Manchester	10,948

Wythenshawe and Sale East (75,602)

Baguley	Manchester	10,608
Brooklands	Manchester	10,300
Northenden	Manchester	10,733
Sharston	Manchester	11,209
Woodhouse Park	Manchester	9,594
Brooklands	Trafford	7,908
Priory	Trafford	7,762
Sale Moor	Trafford	7,488

Bury South (77,568)

Besses	Bury	8,215
Holyrood	Bury	8,775
Pilkington Park	Bury	7,854
Radcliffe East	Bury	8,677
Radcliffe North	Bury	8,810
Radcliffe West	Bury	8,496
St, Mary's	Bury	8,080
Sedgley	Bury	8,792
Crumpsall	Manchester	9,869

Stretford and Urmston (73,935)

Clifford	Trafford	7,324
Davyhulme East	Trafford	7,737
Davyhulme West	Trafford	7,574
Flixton	Trafford	8,410
Gorse Hill	Trafford	7,921
Longford	Trafford	8,551
Stretford	Trafford	7,758
Urmston	Trafford	8,063
Whalley Range	Manchester	10,597

APPENDIX 2

**BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND
REVISED PROPOSALS**

GREATER MANCHESTER (plus Darwen and Poynton)

Bolton (with Darwen) and Wigan

BOLTON NORTH AND DARWEN (73,668)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Bolton NE	Bolton MB	Astley Bridge, Bradshaw, Bromley Cross, Crompton, Tonge with Haulgh	48,327	65.6
Rossendale and Darwen	Blackburn with Darwen UA	Earcroft, East Rural, Marshhouse, N.Turton with Tockholes, Sudell, Sunnyhurst, Whitehall	25,341	34.4

BOLTON SOUTH EAST (78,550)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Bolton SE	Bolton MB	Entire Current Seat	69,088	88.0
Bolton NE	Bolton MB	Brightmet	9,462	12.0

BOLTON WEST (80,265)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Bolton W	Bolton MB Wigan MB	Entire Current Seat (inc Atherton)	71,454	89.0
Bolton NE	Bolton MB	Halliwell	8,811	11.0

LEIGH (77,001)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Leigh	Wigan MB	Unchanged Constituency	77,001	100.0

MAKERFIELD (74,681)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Makerfield	Wigan MB	Unchanged Constituency	74,681	100.0

WIGAN (76,779)				
Current	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Wigan	Wigan MB	Unchanged Constituency	76,779	100.0

Oldham and Rochdale

OLDHAM EAST AND SADDLEWORTH (80,246)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Oldham E and Saddleworth	Oldham MB	Current Seat (less St Mary's)	63,705	79.4
Oldham W and Royton	Oldham MB	Royton N & S	16,541	20.6

OLDHAM WEST (80,123)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Oldham W and Royton	Oldham MB	Current Seat (less Royton N & S)	55,861	69.7
Ashton-under-Lyne	Oldham MB	Failsworth East & West	15,718	19.6
Oldham E & Saddleworth	Oldham MB	St Mary's	8,544	10.7

HEYWOOD AND MIDDLETON (79,636)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Heywood & Middleton	Rochdale MB	Unchanged Constituency	79,636	100.0

ROCHDALE (77,699)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Rochdale	Rochdale MB	Unchanged Constituency	77,699	100.0

Bury, Salford and Manchester North

BURY NORTH (75,352)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Bury North	Bury MB	Entire Current Seat	67,911	90.1
Bury South	Bury MB	Unsworth	7,441	9.9

BURY SOUTH (77,568)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Bury South	Bury MB	Current seat (less Unsworth)	67,699	87.3
Blackley & Broughton	Manchester CC	Crumpsall	9,869	12.7

BLACKLEY AND BROUGHTON (80,435)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Blackley & Broughton	Manchester CC, Salford CC	Current seat (less Crumpsall)	59,137	73.5
Manchester Central	Manchester CC	Moston, Miles Platting & Newton Heath	21,295	26.5

SALFORD AND ECCLES (76,863)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Salford & Eccles	Salford CC	Unchanged Constituency	76,863	100.0

WORSLEY AND ECCLES SOUTH (73,409)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Worsley & Eccles	Salford CC	Unchanged Constituency	73,409	100.0

Manchester Central & South, Trafford, Tameside and Stockport (with Poynton)

MANCHESTER CENTRAL (77,287)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Manchester Central	Manchester CC	Current seat (less Moston, Miles Platting & Newton Heath)	68,224	88.3
Ashton-under-Lyne	Tameside MB	Droylsden West	9,063	11.7

MANCHESTER GORTON AND REDDISH NORTH (74,639)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Manchester Gorton	Manchester CC	Current Seat (less Whalley Range)	64,084	85.9
Denton & Reddish	Stockport MB	Reddish North	10,555	14.1

MANCHESTER WITHINGTON (73,656)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Manchester Withington	Manchester CC	Unchanged Constituency	73,656	100.0

WYTHENSHAW AND SALE EAST (75,602)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Wythenshawe & Sale E	Manchester CC, Trafford MB	Unchanged Constituency	75,602	100.0

ALTRINCHAM AND SALE WEST (79,190)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Altrincham & Sale W	Trafford MB	Entire Current Seat	72,008	90.9
Stretford & Urmston	Trafford MB	Bucklow-St Martins	7,182	9.1

STRETFORD AND URMSTON (73,935)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Stretford & Urmston	Trafford MB	Current Seat (less Bucklow-St Martins)	63,338	85.7
Manchester Gorton	Manchester MB	Whalley Range	10,597	14.3

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE AND DENTON (79,081)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Ashton-Under-Lyne	Tameside MB	Current Seat (less Failsworth E & W, Droylsden W)	43,772	55.4
Denton & Reddish	Tameside MB	Audenshaw, Denton NE, S & W	35,309	44.6

STALYBRIDGE AND HYDE (80,177)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Stalybridge & Hyde	Tameside MB	Entire Current Seat	70,691	88.2
Denton & Reddish	Tameside MB	Dukinfield	9,486	11.8

HAZEL GROVE AND POYNTON (73,091)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Hazel Grove	Stockport MB	Current Seat (less Bredbury & Woodley)	51,579	70.6
Cheadle	Stockport MB	Stepping Hill	9,707	13.3
Macclesfield	Cheshire East UA	Poynton	11,805	16.1

STOCKPORT (73,205)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Elect ors	Share %
Stockport	Stockport MB	Current seat (less Davenport & Cale Green)	52,028	71.1
Denton & Reddish	Stockport MB	Reddish South	10,334	14.1
Hazel Grove	Stockport MB	Bredbury & Woodley	10,843	14.8

CHEADLE (72,826)				
Current Seat	Local Authority	Wards	Electors	Share %
Cheadle	Stockport MB	Current Seat (less Stepping Hill)	62,090	85.3
Stockport	Stockport MB	Davenport & Cale Green	10,736	14.7