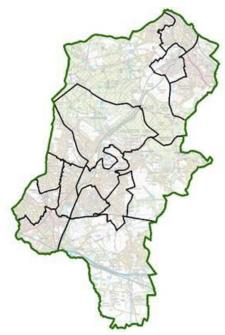
## **Background**

A new pattern of wards is being developed for Cannock Chase District Council.

The Local Government Boundary Commission has decided that the number of councillors in Cannock Chase Council should be 36. This is a change from the current council which has 41 councillors. The Commission wants to hear what residents and organisations think about their local area. A 10-week consultation on the proposals will run until 1 August 2022.



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High resolution map available at <a href="https://s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/lgbce/Reviews/West%20Midlands/Staffordshire/Cannock%20Chase/Warding/Labels%20(1).jpg">https://s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/lgbce/Reviews/West%20Midlands/Staffordshire/Cannock%20Chase/Warding/Labels%20(1).jpg</a>

The Commission is the independent body that draws these boundaries. It is reviewing Cannock Chase Council to make sure councillors represent about the same number of electors, and that ward arrangements help the council work effectively. It wants to be sure that its proposals reflect community ties and identities.

## Consultation

The Commission is interested in views on which communities should be part of the same ward. What facilities do people share, such as parks, leisure centres or schools and shopping areas? What issues do neighbouring communities face that they have in common, such as high numbers of visitors or heavy traffic? Have there been new housing or commercial developments that have changed the focus of communities? And are there roads, rivers, railways or other features that people believe form strong boundaries between neighbourhoods?

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The Commission will use local views to help it draw up proposals for new ward boundaries. There will be a further round of consultation once the Commission has drawn up those proposals. The Commission has a dedicated section on its website where people can give their views: <a href="https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/34653">https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/34653</a>

People can also give their views by e-mail at <a href="mailto:reviews@lgbce.org.uk">reviews@lgbce.org.uk</a>, and by post:

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