

CONSULTATION PAPER

Statutory Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

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1. Background and Relevant Legislation

The Representation of the People Act 1983 places a duty on Local Authority to divide the local authority area into polling districts based on ward boundaries, and to designate a polling place for each district. Local Authorities also have a duty to keep these polling arrangements under review.

The Electoral Administration Act 2006 introduced amendments to the 1983 Act (which in turn has been superseded by The Electoral Administration Act 2013) and the most recent legislative change of the Election Act 2022, further introduced changes regarding accessibility and the voting process.

In accordance with legislation, The Highland Council requires to commence its statutory duty in the review of polling districts, places and polling stations on 2 October 2023 and must be completed before 31 January 2025. The Notice of the Review will be published on Monday 2 October, 2023.

A preliminary review has been undertaken by council officers to inform the proposals. Representations of the Returning Officer have been included in this consultation paper. The Highland Council invites comments on these proposals. The Returning Officer's current list of Polling Places and subsequent proposals will be published on the authority's website [Statutory Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places](#) and will also be available at the Highland Archive and Registration Centre, Bought Road, Inverness IV3 5SS. The Highland Archive and Registration Centre is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 1000hrs to 1630hrs.

2. Terms and Definitions

- **Polling District** - A polling district is a geographical area created by the sub-division of a UK Parliamentary constituency for the purposes of a UK Parliamentary election. Each electoral ward must be divided into two or more polling districts.
- **Polling Place** – A polling place is the building or area in which polling stations will be selected by the Returning Officer. A polling place within a polling district must be designated so that polling stations are within easy reach of all electors from across the polling district.
- **Polling Station** – A polling station is the room or area within the polling place where voting takes place.
- **Polling Scheme** – details the division of various electoral areas into Polling Districts and the Polling Place allocated for voters in that particular area.

Unlike polling districts and polling places, which are fixed by the local authority, polling stations are selected by the relevant Returning Officer for the election.

This review includes the polling districts used at the UK parliamentary elections for the parliamentary constituencies, Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross and Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire and any applicable cross-boundaries.

The polling districts will also be used at Local Government elections and any future referendums. Polling district boundaries will not cross existing Local Government Ward Boundaries.

3. Aim of the review

Polling places must be well located, have reasonable facilities for voting, be accessible to all electors, including those with a disability, so far as practicable.

The review takes into account the experience and feedback from past elections and in particular the changes introduced by the [Boundary Commission for Scotland](#) on the UK Parliamentary Boundaries. Please note that ward boundaries, UK parliamentary and Scottish Parliamentary constituency and regional boundaries, cannot be changed as part of the council's review of polling districts and polling places, as they are the responsibility of the relevant Boundary Commission.

To minimise the disruption and education to our pupils in the Highlands, the review took into consideration schools being used as polling stations, making use of alternative community and leisure facilities whenever possible. However, where no alternative premises exist, schools may have to be used as an ultimate resort. It should be noted that the Returning Officer is entitled to use schools free of charge (Rule 22, Sch 1, Representation of the People Act 1983).

4. Who will be consulted?

Representations on the proposals are invited from electors, elected representatives, political parties, local community groups within The Highland Council area and persons or organisations with expertise in respect of access to premises or facilities for persons with any type of disability.

The consultation period for the Review will commence on Monday 2 October 2023 and will conclude on Tuesday 14 November 2023.

Detailed information on the Review is available [here](#).

5. Guidance on submission of representations and suggestions

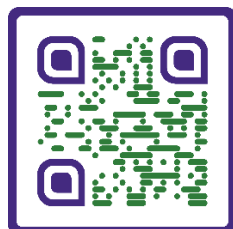
We encourage anyone making representations to suggest alternative polling districts or places to those proposed where appropriate, along with their reasons, so that they may be given full consideration.

Representations should be made in writing via submitting an online form via (<https://forms.office.com/e/kcwJE1rvKk>), by email or by post to the address below. Please get in contact if you require the information in an accessible format.

Online: <https://forms.office.com/e/kcwJE1rvKk>
Email: election@highland.gov.uk
Address: The Highland Council, The Election Office
Glenurquhart Road
IV3 5NX Inverness

Summary information is indicated below showing the proposed amendments to the existing polling district boundaries. Polling district boundaries are included in section 9, they show the current polling district boundaries and polling places, as well proposed polling place changes by ward.

Please see our [interactive map](#) for all current and proposed polling districts and places.



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6. Timetable

Monday, 2 October 2023

Start of Consultation Period

Publication of:

- Notice of Review
- Methodology Polling Districts and Places
- Consultation document including Returning Officer's proposals
- Communication and Engagement Plan
- [Online map](#) illustrating the Polling District and Places changes

From Monday 2 October onwards until the close of the consultation, Council Officers will investigate any representations. Final recommendations,

considering the Returning Officer's comments (including those made by cross boundary Returning Officers) and representations made during the Consultation period will be made in a report to the Full Council on Thursday 14 December 2023.

Tuesday, 14 November 2023

Closing date for representations

Thursday, 14 December 2023

Council meeting – ratification of polling district and polling changes

The final scheme will be presented to Council for consideration and the outcome will be published on the Highland Council's website.

The council will publish:

- The results of the review
- The minutes of council meetings concerning the review
- All correspondence received in connection with the review
- All representations made by any person in connection with the review

Any changes to Polling Districts and Polling Places as part of the Review will be incorporated in a forthcoming publication of the Register of Electors, ahead of a UK Parliamentary election.

7. Methodology

To develop the scheme we used a detailed methodology with the following key principles:

- Retain, as far as practical, the current scheme of polling places and districts to minimise disruption to voters
- Consider amalgamation of polling places with very low levels and a decreasing electorate
- Work to Electoral Commission ratio guidelines whereby no more than 2,500 electors are allocated to each polling station
- Seek to ensure that all electors have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances
- Seek to ensure that the polling place has appropriate accessibility for electors who are disabled so far as is reasonable
- Electorate figures (register of 1 May 2023) are utilised to include both in person and absent voters and 100% turnout
- As we have a number of unscheduled elections for which we cannot organise an in-service day e.g. UK Parliamentary and Local Government By-elections, limit the use of schools where possible unless complete separation is in place e.g. community school
- Help to facilitate the safe and efficient delivery of elections

It is the Returning Officer's normal practice to review informally the election arrangements. This is done by considering the following:-

- After each election
 - Feedback from Stakeholders – Feedback received from voters, polling staff, candidates, agents and other stakeholders on their experience of the arrangements in place at the election.
 - Survey of Polling Places – A survey is conducted by a Polling Place Inspector in advance of and on Polling Day.
- Regular reviews
 - Polling places are contacted on a regular basis to update details and any relevant information related to the building, costs, access or Health and Safety.

There are several factors which are considered as part of the Review of existing Polling Places or when assessing new Polling Places, including:

- **Location:** Is it reasonably accessible within the polling district? Does it avoid barriers for the voter such as steep hills, major roads, rivers, etc? Are there any convenient transport links?
- **Size:** Can it accommodate more than one polling station if required? If multiple Polling Stations are required, is the Polling Place capable of accommodating all voters going into and out of the Polling Stations, even where there is a high turnout?
- **Availability:** Is the building readily available in the event of any unscheduled elections? Is there any possibility that the building may be demolished as part of a new development?
- **Accessibility:** Is the building accessible to all those entitled to attend the polling place? Is there adequate parking for electors and staff? Once inside the building, would the Polling Station(s) have sufficient space inside to comfortably accommodate staff, voters, polling agents and observers?

In addition to the above, it is necessary to take account of the following:-

- **Closure of Halls** – Information provided by the Council and Highlife Highland on the closure of halls which have previously been used as Polling Places.

Consideration of all the above information has allowed us to draw up the current list of Polling Districts and Polling Places known as the Polling Scheme.

8. Additional Useful Polling Information

Whilst this Consultation focuses on feedback on Polling Places, this Review encourages accessibility at all levels and in this respect you may be interested to note that, as long as you are registered to vote, there are 3 ways you may cast your vote:-

- **At the Polling Station** – you can go along in person to your Polling Station and cast your vote, the polling staff will assist you, if required.
- **Vote by Post** – where you are unable to go to the Polling Station you may apply for a postal vote.
- **Vote by Proxy** (i.e. appoint someone to vote on your behalf) – where you are unable to go to the Polling Station you may apply to appoint a proxy. The proxy will go to the Polling Station to vote on your behalf (or the proxy may choose to vote by post).

If you would like to register to vote, apply for a postal or proxy vote then you should contact the Electoral Registration Officer Phone: 0800 393783, Email: ero@highland.gov.uk;

9. Summary of Proposed Changes

9.1 Naming Convention for Polling Districts

C01A – currently UK Parliamentary (C) ward (01) letter A,B,C,D etc

Following **UK Parliamentary** boundary review, the Highland Council constituencies are as follows:

- Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross County (C)
- Inverness-shire, Skye and West Ross-shire County (I)

For cross boundary purposes:

- Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey County (M)
- Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber County (A)

Scottish Parliamentary Constituencies

- Caithness, Sutherland and Ross (C)
- Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch (S)
- Inverness & Nairn (I)

New naming convention:

UK Parliamentary	Scottish Parliamentary	Ward Number	Polling District If repeat AA
C	C	01	A

This new naming convention captures all relevant data which reduces the risk of error when creating the polling scheme for a particular election.

9.2 Overview of Boundary and Polling Places Changes per Ward

Changes are being proposed to polling districts within the following wards:

Ward 1 (North, West and Central Sutherland)

Ward 4 (East Sutherland and Edderton)
Ward 5 (Wester Ross, Strathpeffer and Lochalsh)
Ward 8 (Dingwall and Seaforth)
Ward 12 (Aird and Loch Ness)
Ward 15 (Inverness Ness-side)
Ward 17 (Culloden and Ardersier)
Ward 18 (Nairn and Cawdor)
Ward 21 (Fort William and Ardnamurchan)

Changes have been outlined in detail below and are in line with the new Parliament Constituency Boundaries which were laid before UK Parliament on 28 June 2023 and will come to effect at the next UK Parliamentary Election.

Detailed Descriptions of Boundary Changes

Ward 1 (North, West and Central Sutherland) – change

The previously identified polling district R01A, which would have been updated to CC01T, will see redefinition to its boundary and merge with the previously identified polling district C01B, which has been updated to CC01B, to create a single polling district. This redefinition is to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundary.

Ward 4 (East Sutherland and Edderton) – change

The previously identified polling district C04E will see redefinition to its boundary and merge with the previously identified polling district C04D, which has been updated to CC04D, to create a single polling district.

Ward 5 (Wester Ross, Strathpeffer and Lochalsh) - change

The previously identified polling district R05H, which has been updated to IC05H, will see redefinition to its boundary to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundary.

Ward 8 (Dingwall and Seaforth) - change

The previously identified polling district C08A will see redefinition to its boundary and merge with the previously identified polling district R08C, which has been updated to CS08C, to create a single polling district.

Ward 12 (Aird and Loch Ness) - change

The previously identified polling district I12B, which has been updated to CS12B, will see redefinition to its boundary to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundary. The previously identified polling district I12H, which would have been updated to IS12H, will see its boundary merging with the previously identified polling district I12C, which has been updated to IS12C, to create a single polling district. The IS12C polling district will additionally be redefined to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundary.

The previously identified polling district R12B, which has been updated to CS12M, will see a large portion of its boundary merging with the previously identified polling district R12C, which has been updated to CS12N, to create a larger polling district. The remaining portion of CS12M will be retained as a polling district. The redefinition of both polling district boundaries is necessary to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundaries.

Ward 15 (Inverness Ness-side) - creation

The previously identified polling district I15D, which has been updated to I15D, will see its boundary being split and redefined in order to create a new polling district. The new polling district will capture housing development expansion within the ward. The new polling district will assume the identifier I15E.

Ward 17 (Culloden and Ardersier) - change

The previously identified polling district I17D will see its boundary being split and redefined in line with the new UK Parliamentary boundaries. The I17D polling district will be subdivided into neighbouring districts including I17C, which has been updated to I17C. I17C remains within the Highland Parliamentary Constituency. Subdivision of I17D will also take place into I17E and I17F, which have been updated to M117D and M117E respectively, for areas of the polling district that fall within the Moray UK Parliamentary Constituency.

Ward 18 (Nairn and Cawdor) - Change

The previously identified polling district I18D, which has been updated to M118D, will see its boundary being redefined alongside the previously identified polling district I18G, which has been updated to M118G. The redefinition will improve voter proximity to identified polling place.

Ward 21 (Fort William and Ardnamurchan) - change

The previously identified polling district R21P, which has been updated to AS21P, will see significant redefinition in line with the new UK Parliamentary boundaries. As this polling district is segmented by the new UK Parliamentary Constituency changes redefinition is necessary. For the portion of R21P which remains within the Highland Constituency redefinition will see the polling district merging with R21T, which has been updated to IS21T, creating a larger polling district. The portion of R21P that falls within the Argyll and Bute Constituency will retain the polling district identifier, AS21P.

Redefinition is also necessary for a portion of R21N, which has been update to IS21N, in line with the new UK Parliamentary boundaries. The portion of R21N which falls within the Argyll and Bute Constituency will be redefined within the R21P polling district.

Polling places have been plotted on our map see [link](#) which will contain the data as presented below and highlights the polling places with change in red and the ones with no change in blue:

WARD 1 – NORTH, WEST AND CENTRAL SUTHERLAND

Polling District Changes:

The previously identified polling district R01A, which would have been updated to CC01T, will see redefinition to its boundary and merge with the previously identified polling district C01B, which has been updated to CC01B, to create a single polling district. This redefinition is to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundary.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Kinlochbervie High School to the Kinlochbervie Village Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 1 – Current (2019)		Ward 1 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
C01A	ELPHIN COMMUNITY HALL	CC01A	ELPHIN COMMUNITY HALL
C01B	LOCHINVER VILLAGE HALL	CC01B	LOCHINVER VILLAGE HALL
C01C	RHU STOER COMMUNITY HALL	CC01C	RHU STOER COMMUNITY HALL (VILLAGE HALL)
C01D	DRUMBEG VILLAGE HALL	CC01D	DRUMBEG VILLAGE HALL
C01E	ROCK STOP CAFÉ AND EXHIBITION	CC01E	ROCK STOP CAFÉ AND EXHIBITION
C01F	SCOURIE COMMUNITY HALL	CC01F	SCOURIE COMMUNITY HALL
C01G	KINLOCHBERVIE HIGH SCHOOL	CC01G	KINLOCHBERVIE VILLAGE HALL
C01H	DURNESS VILLAGE HALL	CC01H	DURNESS VILLAGE HALL
C01I	STRATHY VILLAGE HALL	CC01I	STRATHY VILLAGE HALL
C01J	HELMSDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC01J	HELMSDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE
C01K	BETTYHILL VILLAGE HALL	CC01K	BETTYHILL VILLAGE HALL
C01L	TONGUE VILLAGE HALL	CC01L	TONGUE VILLAGE HALL
C01M	MELNESS COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC01M	MELNESS COMMUNITY CENTRE
C01N	BETTYHILL VILLAGE HALL	CC01N	BETTYHILL VILLAGE HALL
C01O	LAIRG COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC01O	LAIRG COMMUNITY CENTRE
C01P	ROSEHALL VILLAGE HALL	CC01P	ROSEHALL VILLAGE HALL
C01Q	SKERRAY VILLAGE HALL	CC01Q	SKERRAY VILLAGE HALL
C01R	ARDGAY PUBLIC HALL	CC01R	ARDGAY PUBLIC HALL
C01S	BONAR BRIDGE COMMUNITY HALL	CC01S	BONAR BRIDGE COMMUNITY HALL
R01A	COIGACH COMMUNITY HALL, ACHILTIBUIE		

WARD 2 – THURSO AND NORTHWEST CAITHNESS

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 2 – Thurso and Northwest Caithness.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Mount Pleasant Primary School, Thurso to the Royal British Legion, Thurso.
- Relocation from the Mount Pleasant Primary School, Thurso to the Thurso Leisure Centre.
- Relocation from the Pennyland Primary School, Thurso to the Royal British Legion, Thurso.
- Relocation from the Halkirk Primary School to the Ross Institute, Halkirk.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 2 – Current (2019)		Ward 2 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
C02A	MOUNT PLEASANT PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC02A	THURSO LEISURE CENTRE
C02B	PENNYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC02B	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, THURSO
C02C	PENNYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC02C	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, THURSO
C02D	CASTLETOWN DRILL HALL	CC02D	CASTLETOWN DRILL HALL
C02E	REAY VILLAGE HALL	CC02E	REAY VILLAGE HALL
C02F	HALKIRK PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC02F	ROSS INSTITUE, HALKIRK
C02G	BOWER COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC02G	BOWER COMMUNITY CENTRE
C02H	BRITANNIA HALL, DUNNET	CC02H	BRITANNIA HALL, DUNNET
C02I	MOUNT PLEASANT PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC02I	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, THURSO

WARD 3 – WICK & EAST CAITHNESS

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 3 – Wick & East Caithness.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Noss Primary School, Wick to the Wick Council Offices.
- Relocation from the Newton Park Primary School, Wick to the Wick Assembly Rooms.
- Relocation from the Canisbay Primary School to the Canisbay Community Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 3 - Current (2019)		Ward 3 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
C03A	NOSS PRIMARY SCHOOL, WICK	CC03A	CAITHNESS HOUSE (WICK COUNCIL OFFICES)
C03B	NOSS PRIMARY SCHOOL, WICK	CC03B	CAITHNESS HOUSE (WICK COUNCIL OFFICES)
C03C	NEWTON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL, WICK	CC03C	ASSEMBLY ROOMS, WICK
C03D	NEWTON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL, WICK	CC03D	ASSEMBLY ROOMS, WICK
C03E	WATTEN HALL	CC03E	WATTEN HALL
C03F	CANISBAY PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC03F	CANISBAY COMMUNITY HALL
C03G	KEISS AMENITIES HALL	CC03G	KEISS AMENITIES HALL
C03H	REISS AND KILLIMSTER HALL	CC03H	REISS AND KILLIMSTER HALL
C03I	NEWTON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL, WICK	CC03I	ASSEMBLY ROOMS, WICK
C03J	NEWTON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL, WICK	CC03J	ASSEMBLY ROOMS, WICK
C03K	LYBSTER COMMUNITY HALL	CC03K	LYBSTER COMMUNITY HALL
C03L	DUNBEATH COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC03L	DUNBEATH COMMUNITY CENTRE

WARD 4 – EAST SUTHERLAND AND EDDERTON

Polling District Changes:

The previously identified polling district C04E will see redefinition to its boundary and merge with the previously identified polling district C04D, which has been updated to CC04D, to create a single polling district.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Amalgamate the Portgower Hall, Helmsdale with the Helmsdale Community Centre.
- Relocation from the Dornoch High School to the West Church Hall, Dornoch.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 4 – Current (2019)		Ward 4 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
C04A	ROGART HALL, PITTENTRAIL	CC04A	ROGART HALL, PITTENTRAIL
C04B	GOLSPIE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC04B	GOLSPIE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE
C04C	HELMSDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC04C	HELMSDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE
C04D	HELMSDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC04D	HELMSDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE
C04E	PORTGOWER HALL, HELMSDALE		
C04F	BRORA COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC04E	BRORA COMMUNITY CENTRE
C04G	EMBO OLD SCHOOL	CC04F	EMBO OLD SCHOOL
C04H	DORNOCH ACADEMY	CC04G	WEST CHURCH HALL, DORNOCH
C04I	EDDERTON HALL	CC04H	EDDERTON HALL

WARD 5 – WESTER ROSS, STRATHPEFFER AND LOCHALSH

Polling District Changes:

The previously identified polling district R05H, which has been updated to IC05H, will see redefinition to its boundary to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundary.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Ullapool Primary School to the Ullapool Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Badcaul Primary School, Dundonnell to the NHS Community Clinic, Dundonnell.
- Relocation from the Applecross Primary School to the Applecross Village Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 5 – Current (2019)		Ward 5 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
R05A	COIGACH COMMUNITY HALL, ACHILTIBUIE	CC05A	COIGACH COMMUNITY HALL, ACHILTIBUIE
R05B	ULLAPOOL PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC05B	ULLAPOOL VILLAGE HALL
R05C	BADCAUL PRIMARY SCHOOL, DUNDONNELL	CC05C	NHS COMMUNITY CLINIC, DUNDONNELL
R05D	LOCHEWE COMMUNITY CHURCH	CC05D	LOCHEWE COMMUNITY CHURCH
R05E	POOLEWE VILLAGE HALL	IC05E	POOLEWE VILLAGE HALL
R05F	GAIRLOCH COMMUNITY HALL	IC05F	GAIRLOCH COMMUNITY HALL
R05G	GAIRLOCH COMMUNITY HALL	IC05G	GAIRLOCH COMMUNITY HALL
R05H	KINLOCHEWE VILLAGE HALL	IC05H	KINLOCHEWE VILLAGE HALL
R05I	APPLECROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL	IC05I	APPLECROSS VILLAGE HALL
R05J	SHIELDAIG VILLAGE HALL	IC05J	SHIELDAIG VILLAGE HALL
R05K	LOCH TORRIDON COMMUNITY CENTRE	IC05K	LOCH TORRIDON COMMUNITY CENTRE
R05L	LOHCARRON VILLAGE HALL	IC05L	LOHCARRON VILLAGE HALL
R05M	LOHCARRON VILLAGE HALL	IC05M	LOHCARRON VILLAGE HALL
R05N	LOHCARRON VILLAGE HALL	IC05N	LOHCARRON VILLAGE HALL
R05O	ACHNASHEEN VILLAGE HALL	CC05O	ACHNASHEEN VILLAGE HALL
R05P	GARVE PUBLIC HALL	CC05P	GARVE PUBLIC HALL (VILLAGE HALL)
R05Q	STRATHPEFFER COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC05Q	STRATHPEFFER COMMUNITY CENTRE
R05R	CONTIN COMMUNITY HALL	CC05R	CONTIN COMMUNITY HALL
R05S	FAIRBURN MEMORIAL HALL, MARYBANK	CC05S	FAIRBURN MEMORIAL HALL, MARYBANK
R05T	STRATHCONON VILLAGE HALL	CC05T	STRATHCONON VILLAGE HALL

R05U	ACHMORE & STROME FERRY VILLAGE HALL	IS05U	ACHMORE & STROME FERRY VILLAGE HALL
R05V	PLOCKTON VILLAGE HALL	IS05V	PLOCKTON VILLAGE HALL
R05W	AUCHTERTYRE LEARNING CENTRE	IS05W	AUCHTERTYRE LEARNING CENTRE
R05X	DORNIE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY HALL	IS05X	DORNIE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY HALL
R05Y	INVERINATE AND LOCH DUICH COMMUNITY CENTRE	IS05Y	INVERINATE AND LOCH DUICH COMMUNITY CENTRE
R05Z	GLENELG AND ARNISDALE VILLAGE HALL	IS05Z	GLENELG AND ARNISDALE VILLAGE HALL
R05ZA	THE CEILIDH HOUSE	IS05AA	THE CEILIDH HOUSE
R05ZB	KYLE PUBLIC HALL	IS05AB	KYLE PUBLIC HALL (VILLAGE HALL)
R05ZC	THE CEILIDH HOUSE	IS05AC	THE CEILIDH HOUSE
R05ZD	GLENGARRY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY HALL	IS05AD	GLENGARRY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY HALL

WARD 6 – CROMARTY FIRTH

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 6 – Cromarty Firth.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the West End Community Centre to the Alness Baptist Church.
- Relocation from the Bridgend Primary School to the Averon Leisure Centre.
- Relocation from the Kiltearn Primary School to the Evanton Sports Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 6 – Current (2019)		Ward 6 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
C06A	ARDROSS COMMUNITY HALL	CC06A	ARDROSS COMMUNITY HALL
C06B	WEST END COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC06B	ALNESS BAPTIST CHURCH
C06C	BRIDGEND PRIMARY SCHOOL, ALNESS	CC06C	AVERON LEISURE CENTRE
C06D	KILTEARN PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC06D	EVANTON SPORTS HALL
C06E	WEST END COMMUNITY CENTRE	CC06E	ALNESS BAPTIST CHURCH
C06F	OBSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC06F	OBSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL
C06G	INVERGORDON SOCIAL CLUB	CC06G	INVERGORDON SOCIAL CLUB
C06H	INVERGORDON SOCIAL CLUB	CC06H	INVERGORDON SOCIAL CLUB

WARD 7 – TAIN AND EASTER ROSS

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 7 – Tain and Easter Ross.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- No proposed changes.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 7 – Current (2019)		Ward 7 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
C07A	DUTHAC CENTRE, TAIN	CC07A	DUTHAC CENTRE, TAIN
C07B	INVER VILLAGE HALL	CC07B	INVER VILLAGE HALL
C07C	TARBAT HALL, PORTMAHOMACK	CC07C	CARNAGIE HALL, PORTMAHOMACK (TARBAT HALL)
C07D	HILL OF FEARN PRIMARY SCHOOL	CC07D	HILL OF FEARN PRIMARY SCHOOL (NURSERY)
C07E	THE MERCAT CENTRE, MILTON	CC07E	THE MERCAT CENTRE, MILTON
C07F	NIGG COMMUNITY HALL	CC07F	NIGG COMMUNITY HALL
C07G	SEABOARD MEMORIAL HALL, BALINTORE	CC07G	SEABOARD MEMORIAL HALL, BALINTORE
C07H	THE MERCAT CENTRE, MILTON	CC07H	THE MERCAT CENTRE, MILTON

WARD 8 – DINGWALL AND SEAFORTH

Polling District Changes:

The previously identified polling district C08A will see redefinition to its boundary and merge with the previously identified polling district R08A, which has been updated to CS08A, to create a single polling district.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Compression of historic polling district electorate separation into a combined total, due to UK parliamentary boundary change.
- Relocation from the Dingwall Library to the Dingwall Leisure Centre.
- Relocation from the Leanaig Centre, Ben Wyvis Primary School to the Ferintosh Parish Church Hall.
- Relocation from the Tarradale Primary School to the Muir of Ord Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Tore Primary School to the Tore Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 8 – Current (2019)		Ward 8 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
C08A	DINGWALL LIBRARY	CS08A	DINGWALL LEISURE CENTRE
R08A	DINGWALL LIBRARY		
R08B	MARYBURGH AMENITIES CENTRE	CS08B	MARYBURGH AMENITIES CENTRE
R08C	DINGWALL LEISURE CENTRE	CS08C	DINGWALL LEISURE CENTRE
R08D	LEANAIG CENTRE, BEN WYVIS PRIMARY SCHOOL	CS08D	FERINTOSH PARISH CHURCH HALL
R08E	TARRADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL	CS08E	MUIR OF ORD VILLAGE HALL
R08F	TORE PRIMARY SCHOOL	CS08F	TORE HALL

WARD 9 – BLACK ISLE

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 9 – Black Isle.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Tore Primary School to the Tore Hall.
- Relocation from the North Kessock Primary School to the North Kessock Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Resolis Primary School to the Resolis Memorial Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 9 – Current (2019)		Ward 9 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
R09A	TORE PRIMARY SCHOOL	CS09A	TORE HALL
R09B	MUNLOCHY HALL	CS09B	MUNLOCHY HALL
R09C	NORTH KESSOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL	CS09C	NORTH KESSOCK VILLAGE HALL
R09D	CROMARTY VILLAGE HALL (VICTORIA HALL)	CS09D	CROMARTY VILLAGE HALL (VICTORIA HALL)
R09E	RESOLIS PRIMARY SCHOOL	CS09E	RESOLIS MEMORIAL HALL
R09F	FINDON HALL, CULBOKIE	CS09F	FINDON HALL, CULBOKIE
R09G	THE GORDON MEMORIAL HALL, ROSEMARKIE	CS09G	THE GORDON MEMORIAL HALL, ROSEMARKIE
R09H	FORTROSE TOWN HALL	CS09H	FORTROSE TOWN HALL
R09I	AVOCH PARISH CHURCH HALL	CS09I	AVOCH PARISH CHURCH HALL

WARD 10 – EILEAN A' CHEÒ

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 10 – Eilean a' Cheò.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Kilmuir Primary School to the Kilmuir Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Staffin Primary School to the Talla Staffainn Community Hall.
- Relocation from the Dunvegan Primary School to the Dunvegan Community Centre.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 10 – Current (2019)		Ward 10 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
R10A	KILMUIR PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS10A	KILMUIR VILLAGE HALL (TALLA CHILLE MHOIRE)
R10B	UIG COMMUNITY HALL	IS10B	UIG COMMUNITY HALL
R10C	STAFFIN PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS10C	TALLA STAFAINN (STAFFIN COMMUNITY HALL)
R10D	EDINBANE COMMUNITY HALL	IS10D	EDINBANE COMMUNITY HALL
R10E	SKEABOST MEMORIAL HALL	IS10E	SKEABOST MEMORIAL HALL
R10F	WATERNISH VILLAGE HALL	IS10F	WATERNISH VILLAGE HALL
R10G	DUNVEGAN PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS10G	DUNVEGAN COMMUNITY CENTRE
R10H	GLENDALE COMMUNITY HALL	IS10H	GLENDALE COMMUNITY HALL
R10I	STRUAN PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS10I	STRUAN PRIMARY SCHOOL
R10J	CARBOST PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS10J	CARBOST PRIMARY SCHOOL
R10K	CARBOST PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS10K	CARBOST PRIMARY SCHOOL
R10L	THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL OFFICES, PORTREE	IS10L	THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL OFFICES, PORTREE
R10M	RAASAY COMMUNITY HALL	IS10M	RAASAY COMMUNITY HALL
R10N	BRAES COMMUNITY HALL, PORTREE	IS10N	BRAES COMMUNITY HALL, PORTREE
R10O	ISLE OF SKYE GOLF CLUB CLUBHOUSE	IS10O	ISLE OF SKYE GOLF CLUB CLUBHOUSE
R10P	BROADFORD VILLAGE HALL	IS10P	BROADFORD VILLAGE HALL
R10Q	ELGOL VILLAGE HALL	IS10Q	ELGOL VILLAGE HALL
R10R	BROADFORD VILLAGE HALL	IS10R	BROADFORD VILLAGE HALL
R10S	KYLEAKIN COMMUNITY HALL	IS10S	KYLEAKIN COMMUNITY HALL
R10T	AN CRUBH, SLEAT	IS10T	AN CRUBH, SLEAT
R10U	TARSKAVAIG COMMUNITY HALL	IS10U	TARSKAVAIG COMMUNITY HALL
R10V	ARDVASAR COMMUNITY HALL	IS10V	ARDVASAR COMMUNITY HALL

WARD 11 – CAOL AND MALLAIG

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 11 – Caol and Mallaig.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Gergask Primary School to the Laggan Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Kilchuimen Primary School to the Fort Augustus Village Hall.
- Relocation from the National Trust for Scotland Glenfinnan Visitor Centre to the Glenfinnan Community Facilities SCIO.
- Amalgamation of the Lady Lovat Primary School to the Mallaig and Morar Community Centre.
- Relocation from the Inverie Primary School to the Knoydart Community Hall.
- Relocation from the Eigg Primary School to the Isle Eigg Community Hall.
- Relocation from the Banavie Primary School to the Kilmallie Community Hall.
- Relocation from the Caol Primary School to the Coal Community Centre.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 11 – Current (2019)		Ward 11 – Proposed (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I11A	GERGASK PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS11A	LAGGAN VILLAGE HALL
I11B	KILCHUIMEN PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS11B	FORT AUGUSTUS VILLAGE HALL
R11A	NATIONAL TRUST FOR SCOTLAND GLENFINNAN VISITOR CENTRE	IS11C	GLENFINNAN COMMUNITY FACILITIES SCIO
R11B	ASTLEY HALL, ARISAIG	IS11D	ASTLEY HALL, ARISAIG
R11C	LADY LOVAT PRIMARY SCHOOL		
R11D	MALLAIG AND MORAR COMMUNITY CENTRE	IS11F	MALLAIG AND MORAR COMMUNITY CENTRE
R11E	INVERIE PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS11G	KNOYDART COMMUNITY HALL
R11F	EIGG PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS11H	ISLE EIGG COMMUNITY HALL
R11G	NATIONAL TRUST FOR SCOTLAND GLENFINNAN VISITOR CENTRE	IS11I	GLENFINNAN COMMUNITY FACILITIES SCIO
R11H	BANAVIE PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS11J	KILMALLIE COMMUNITY HALL
R11I	ACHNACARRY VILLAGE HALL	IS11K	ACHNACARRY VILLAGE HALL
R11J	GLENGARRY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY HALL (VILLAGE HALL)	IS11L	GLENGARRY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY HALL (VILLAGE HALL)
R11K	SPEAN BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE	IS11M	SPEAN BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE
R11L	ROY BRIDGE MEMORIAL HALL	IS11N	ROY BRIDGE MEMORIAL HALL

R11M	CAOL PRIMARY SCHOOL		CAOL COMMUNITY CENTRE
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WARD 12 – AIRD AND LOCH NESS

Polling District Changes:

The previously identified polling district I12B, which has been updated to CS12B, will see redefinition to its boundary to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundary.

The previously identified polling district I12H, which would have been updated to IS12H, will see its boundary merging with the previously identified polling district I12C, which has been updated to IS12C, to create a single polling district. The IS12C polling district will additionally be redefined to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundary.

The previously identified polling district R12B, which has been updated to CS12M, will see a large portion of its boundary merging with the previously identified polling district R12C, which has been updated to CS12N, to create a larger polling district. The remaining portion of CS12M will be retained as a polling district. The redefinition of both polling district boundaries is necessary to line up with the new UK Parliamentary boundaries.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Kirkhill Primary School to the Kirkhill Community Hall.
- Relocation from the Abriachan Village Hall to the Dochgarroch Primary School.
- Relocation from the Glenurquhart Primary School to the Glenurquhart Public Hall (Blairbeg Hall).
- Relocation from the Balnain Primary School to the Balnain Community Hall.
- Relocation from the Kilchuimen Primary School to the Fort Augustus Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Aldourie Primary School to the Dores Parish Hall.
- Amalgamation and relocation of the Foyers and Stratherrick Primary Schools to the Stratherrick Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Farr Primary School to the Farr Community Hall.
- Relocation from the Teanassie Primary School to the Kilmorack Hall, Beauly.
- Relocation from the Cannich Primary School to the Cannich Hall

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 12 – Current (2019)		Ward 12 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I12A	KILTARLITY HALL	CS12A	KILTARLITY HALL
I12B	KIRKHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL	CS12B	KIRKHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE
I12C	ABRIACHAN VILLAGE HALL	IS12C	DOCHGARROCH PRIMARY SCHOOL

I12D	GLENURQUHART PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS12D	GLENURQUHART PUBLIC HALL (BLAIRBEG HALL)
I12E	BALNAIN PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS12E	BALNAIN COMMUNITY HALL
I12F	GLENMORISTON MILLENNIUM HALL	IS12F	GLENMORISTON MILLENNIUM HALL
I12G	KILCHUIMEN PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS12G	FORT AUGUSTUS VILLAGE HALL
I12H	DOCHGARROCH PRIMARY SCHOOL	II12H	DOCHGARROCH PRIMARY SCHOOL
I12I	DOCHGARROCH PRIMARY SCHOOL		
I12J	ALDOURIE PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS12I	DORES PARISH HALL
I12K	FOYERS PRIMARY SCHOOL		
I12L	STRATHERRICK PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS12J	STRATHERRICK VILLAGE HALL
I12M	FARR PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS12K	FARR COMMUNITY HALL
R12A	PHIPPS HALL, BEAULY	CS12L	PHIPPS HALL, BEAULY
R12B	TEANASSIE PRIMARY SCHOOL	CS12M	KILMORACK HALL, BEAULY
R12C	CANNICH PRIMARY SCHOOL	CS12N	CANNICH HALL (VILLAGE HALL)
R12D	KILTARLITY HALL	CS12O	KILTARLITY HALL

WARD 13 – INVERNESS WEST

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 13 – Inverness West.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Central Primary School to the Cameron Youth Centre (Planefield Rd.).

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 13 – Current (2019)		Ward 13 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I13A	CHARLESTON ACADEMY COMMUNITY COMPLEX	II13A	CHARLESTON ACADEMY COMMUNITY COMPLEX
I13B	CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL	II13B	CAMERON YOUTH CENTRE (PLANEFIELD RD.)
I13C	MUIRTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL	II13C	MUIRTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL
I13D	CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL	II13D	CAMERON YOUTH CENTRE (PLANEFIELD RD.)

WARD 14 – INVERNESS CENTRAL

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 14 – Inverness Central.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Dalneigh Primary School to the James Cameron Centre (Dalneigh Community).
- Relocation from the Hilton Primary School to the Hilton Church.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 14 – Current (2019)		Ward 14 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I14A	MERKINCH COMMUNITY CENTRE	II14A	MERKINCH COMMUNITY CENTRE
I14B	TRINITY CHURCH HALL	II14B	TRINITY CHURCH HALL
I14C	DALNEIGH PRIMARY SCHOOL	II14C	JAMES CAMERON CENTRE (DALNEIGH COMMUNITY)
I14D	SPECTRUM CENTRE	II14D	SPECTRUM CENTRE
I14E	HAUGH COURT HALL	II14E	HAUGH COURT HALL
I14F	ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH HALL	II14F	ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH HALL
I14G	HILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL	II14G	HILTON CHURCH, INVERNESS
I14H	TRINITY CHURCH HALL	II14H	TRINITY CHURCH HALL

WARD 15 – INVERNESS NESS-SIDE

Polling District Changes:

The previously identified polling district I15D, which has been updated to II15D, will see its boundary being split and redefined in order to create a new polling district. The new polling district will capture housing development expansion within the ward. The new polling district will assume the identifier II15E.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Lochardil Primary School to the Inverness Royal Academy Sports Facility.
- Relocation from the Cauldeen Primary School to the Greyfriars Free Church.
- Relocation from the Holm Primary School to the Culduthel Christian Centre.
- Creation of a new Polling District and Polling Place at the Ness Castle Primary School.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 15 – Current (2019)		Ward 15 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I15A	LOCHARDIL PRIMARY SCHOOL	II15A	INVERNESS ROYAL ACADEMY (SPORTS FACILITY)
I15B	CAULDEEN PRIMARY SCHOOL	II15B	GREYFRIARS FREE CHURCH
I15C	LOCHARDIL PRIMARY SCHOOL	II15C	INVERNESS ROYAL ACADEMY (SPORTS FACILITY)
I15D	HOLM PRIMARY SCHOOL	II15D	CULDUTHEL CHRISTIAN CENTRE
		II15E	NESS CASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WARD 16 – INVERNESS MILLBURN

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 16 – Inverness Millburn.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Hilton Primary School to the Hilton Community Centre.
- Relocation from the Crown Primary School to the Crown Church, Inverness.
- Relocation from the Raigmore Primary School to the Raigmore Community Centre.
- Relocation from the Drakies Primary School to the Culcabock and Drakies Community Hall.
- Relocation from the Smithton Primary School to the Smithton Church.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 16 – Current (2019)		Ward 16 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I16A	HILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL	II16A	HILTON COMMUNITY CENTRE
I16B	CROWN PRIMARY SCHOOL	II16B	CROWN CHURCH, INVERNESS
I16C	CROWN PRIMARY SCHOOL	II16C	CROWN CHURCH, INVERNESS
I16D	RAIGMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL	II16D	RAIGMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE
I16E	DRAKIES PRIMARY SCHOOL	II16E	CULCABOCK AND DRAKIES COMMUNITY HALL
I16F	SMITHTON PRIMARY SCHOOL	II16F	SMITHTON CHURCH

WARD 17 – CULLODEN AND ARDERSIER

Polling District Changes:

The previously identified polling district I17D will see its boundary being split and redefined in line with the new UK Parliamentary boundaries. The I17D polling district will be subdivided into neighbouring districts including I17C, which has been updated to II17C. II17C remains within the Highland Parliamentary Constituency. Subdivision of I17D will also take place into I17E and I17F, which have been updated to MI17D and MI17E respectively, for areas of the polling district that fall within the Moray UK Parliamentary Constituency.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Smithton Primary School to the Green Hall, Smithton.
- Relocation from the Duncan Forbes Primary School to the Smithton Church.
- Relocation from the Balloch Primary School to the Balloch Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Croy Primary School to the Croy Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Ardersier Primary School to the Ardersier War Memorial Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 17 – Current (2019)		Ward 17 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I17A	SMITHTON PRIMARY SCHOOL	II17A	GREEN HALL, SMITHTON
I17B	DUNCAN FORBES PRIMARY SCHOOL	II17B	SMITHTON CHURCH
I17C	BALLOCH PRIMARY SCHOOL	II17C	BALLOCH VILLAGE HALL
I17D	BALLOCH PRIMARY SCHOOL		
I17E	CROY PRIMARY SCHOOL	MI17D	CROY VILLAGE HALL
I17F	ARDERSIER PRIMARY SCHOOL	MI17E	ARDERSIER WAR MEMORIAL HALL

WARD 18 – NAIRN AND CAWDOR

Polling District Changes:

The previously identified polling district I18D, which has been updated to MI18D, will see its boundary being redefined alongside the previously identified polling district I18G, which has been updated to MI18G. The redefinition will improve voter proximity to identified polling place.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Millbank Primary School to the Seamans Hall, Nairn.
- Relocation from the Auldearn Primary School to the Dunbar Hall / Lethen Road Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 18 – Current (2019)		Ward 18 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I18A	MILLBANK PRIMARY SCHOOL	MI18A	SEAMANS HALL, NAIRN
I18B	NAIRN COMMUNITY & ARTS CENTRE	MI18B	NAIRN COMMUNITY & ARTS CENTRE
I18C	MILLBANK PRIMARY SCHOOL	MI18C	SEAMANS HALL, NAIRN
I18D	AULDEARN PRIMARY SCHOOL	MI18D	DUNBAR HALL / LETHEN ROAD HALL
I18E	NAIRN COMMUNITY & ARTS CENTRE	MI18E	NAIRN COMMUNITY & ARTS CENTRE
I18F	NAIRN COMMUNITY & ARTS CENTRE	MI18F	NAIRN COMMUNITY & ARTS CENTRE
I18G	FORNIGHTY HALL	MI18G	FORNIGHTY HALL
I18H	FORNIGHTY HALL	MI18H	FORNIGHTY HALL
I18I	CAWDOR COMMUNITY CENTRE	MI18E	CAWDOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

WARD 19 – INVERNESS SOUTH

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 19 – Inverness South.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Inshes Primary School to the Inshes Church of Scotland.
- Relocation from the Daviot Primary School to the Daviot Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Balloch Primary School to the Balloch Village Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 19 – Current (2019)		Ward 19 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I19A	INSHES PRIMARY SCHOOL	II19A	INSHES CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
I19B	MILTON OF LEYS PRIMARY SCHOOL	II19B	MILTON OF LEYS PRIMARY SCHOOL
I19C	BUN-SGOIL GHAIHLIG INBHIR NIS (GAELIC SCHOOL)	II19C	BUN-SGOIL GHAIHLIG INBHIR NIS (GAELIC SCHOOL)
I19D	CRADLEHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL	II19D	CRADLEHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL
I19E	DAVIOT PRIMARY SCHOOL	II19E	DAVIOT VILLAGE HALL
I19F	STRATHDEARN VILLAGE HALL	II19F	STRATHDEARN VILLAGE HALL
I19G	CRADLEHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL	II19G	CRADLEHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL
I19H	BALLOCH PRIMARY SCHOOL	II19H	BALLOCH VILLAGE HALL

WARD 20 – BADENOCH AND STRATHSPEY

Polling District Changes:

There are no proposed changes to the current polling districts within Ward 20 – Badenoch and Strathspey.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Gergask Primary School to the Laggan Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Kingussie Primary School to the Badenoch Centre.
- Relocation from the Carrbridge Primary School to the Carrbridge Village Hall.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 20 – Current (2019)		Ward 20 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
I20A	GERGASK PRIMARY SCHOOL	MS20A	LAGGAN VILLAGE HALL
I20B	GERGASK PRIMARY SCHOOL	MS20B	LAGGAN VILLAGE HALL
I20C	DALWHINNIE VILLAGE HALL	MS20C	DALWHINNIE VILLAGE HALL
I20D	KINCRAIG COMMUNITY HALL	MS20D	KINCRAIG COMMUNITY HALL
I20E	NEWTONMORE VILLAGE HALL	MS20E	NEWTONMORE VILLAGE HALL
I20F	KINGUSSIE PRIMARY SCHOOL	MS20F	THE BADENOCH CENTRE
I20G	KINCRAIG COMMUNITY HALL	MS20G	KINCRAIG COMMUNITY HALL
I20H	KINCRAIG COMMUNITY HALL	MS20H	KINCRAIG COMMUNITY HALL
I20I	AVIEMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE	MS20I	AVIEMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE
I20J	BOAT OF GARTEN COMMUNITY HALL	MI20J	BOAT OF GARTEN COMMUNITY HALL
I20K	CARRBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL	MI20K	CARRBRIDGE VILLAGE HALL
I20L	DULNAIN BRIDGE PUBLIC HALL	MI20L	DULNAIN BRIDGE PUBLIC HALL
I20M	NETHY BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE	MI20M	NETHY BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE
I20N	INVERALLAN CHURCH HALL	MI20N	INVERALLAN CHURCH HALL
I20O	CROMDALE VILLAGE HALL	MI20O	CROMDALE VILLAGE HALL
I20P	INVERALLAN CHURCH HALL	MI20P	INVERALLAN CHURCH HALL
I20Q	CROMDALE VILLAGE HALL	MI20Q	CROMDALE VILLAGE HALL
I20R	INVERALLAN CHURCH HALL	MS20R	INVERALLAN CHURCH HALL
I20S	DALWHINNIE VILLAGE HALL	MS20S	DALWHINNIE VILLAGE HALL

WARD 21 – FORT WILLIAM AND ARDNAMURCHAN

Polling District Changes:

The previously identified polling district R21P, which has been updated to AS21P, will see significant redefinition in line with the new UK Parliamentary boundaries. As this polling district is segmented by the new UK Parliamentary Constituency changes redefinition is necessary. For the portion of R21P which remains within the Highland Constituency redefinition will see the polling district merging with R21T, which has been updated to IS21T, creating a larger polling district. The portion of R21P that falls within the Argyll and Bute Constituency will retain the polling district identifier, AS21P.

Redefinition is also necessary for a portion of R21N, which has been update to IS21N, in line with the new UK Parliamentary boundaries. The portion of R21N which falls within the Argyll and Bute Constituency will be redefined within the R21P polling district.

Polling Place Changes:

The primary changes proposed to the 2019 polling scheme are as follows;

- Relocation from the Acharacle Primary School to the Shiel Bridge Hall.
- Relocation from the Strontian Primary School to the Strontian Hall.
- Relocation from the Ardgour Primary School to the Ardgour Memorial Hall.
- Relocation from the Inverlochry Primary School to the Inverlochry Village Hall.
- Relocation from the Kinlochleven Primary School to the Leven Centre.

Other Changes:

- Update to historic Polling Place District identifiers.

Ward 21 – Current (2019)		Ward 21 – Proposal (2023)	
Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name	Polling Place Identifier	Polling Place Name
R21A	GLENUIG HALL	AS21A	GLENUIG HALL
R21B	ACHARACLE PRIMARY SCHOOL	AS21B	SHIEL BRIDGE HALL
R21C	KILCHOAN COMMUNITY CENTRE	AS21C	KILCHOAN COMMUNITY CENTRE
R21D	STRONTIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL	AS21D	STRONTIAN HALL
R21E	TRESLAIG VILLAGE HALL	AS21E	TRESLAIG VILLAGE HALL
R21F	ARDGOUR PRIMARY SCHOOL	AS21F	ARDGOUR MEMORIAL HALL
R21G	STRONTIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL	AS21G	STRONTIAN HALL
R21H	LOCHALINE VILLAGE HALL	AS21H	LOCHALINE VILLAGE HALL
R21I	LOCHALINE VILLAGE HALL	AS21I	LOCHALINE VILLAGE HALL
R21J	INVERLOCHRY PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS21J	INVERLOCHRY VILLAGE HALL
R21K	FORT WILLIAM SHINTY SOCIAL CLUB	IS21K	FORT WILLIAM SHINTY SOCIAL CLUB
R21L	PLANTATION HALL	IS21L	PLANTATION HALL
R21M	LUNDAVRA PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS21M	LUNDAVRA PRIMARY SCHOOL
R21N	LUNDAVRA PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS21N	LUNDAVRA PRIMARY SCHOOL
R21O	ST BRIDES PRIMARY SCHOOL	AS21O	ST BRIDES PRIMARY SCHOOL
R21P	KINLOCHLEVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL	AS21P	THE LEVEN CENTRE
R21Q	ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL	IS21Q	ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL
R21R	BALLACHULISH VILLAGE HALL	AS21R	BALLACHULISH VILLAGE HALL
R21S	KENTALLEN AND DUROR COMMUNITY HALL	AS21S	KENTALLEN AND DUROR COMMUNITY HALL
R21T	INVERLOCHRY PRIMARY SCHOOL	IS21T	INVERLOCHRY VILLAGE HALL

10. Role of the Electoral Commission

The Highland Council has followed guidance issued by the Electoral Commission in undertaking the review. Although the Electoral Commission has no role in the review process itself, it can consider comments if people do not think that the review has met the reasonable requirements of electors or taken sufficient account of the needs of disabled electors.

The Electoral Commission has the ability to direct the council to make alterations to polling places if it thinks that is necessary.

Please contact the Electoral Commission or see the website [Polling place reviews | Electoral Commission](#) for further information.

11. Further information and Contacts

If you would like more information or clarification on any of the information in this document or the review please do not hesitate to contact the Election Office, you can also contact us by phone or visit us in person:-

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