

# Somerset Council Local Community Networks A Handbook

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# Local Community Networks (LCNs) in Somerset Introduction – Cllr Val Keitch



"Somerset Council is committed to LCNs and to listening and working with our communities.

We recognise the crucial role LCNs play in connecting the Council to our localities, now that we've successfully moved to a single, unitary authority.

LCNs will ensure local voices are heard, and that there's community representation at a strategic level.

They'll provide a forum for our partners, residents and engaged communities to establish priorities and goals for their local areas.

We envisage LCNs will be strong, community-led, collaborative partnerships that have potential to make a real difference to the lives of those who live and work in this special county.

I've been impressed by the determination and energy shown by residents, councillors, our stakeholders, and staff, in the way they've embraced the LCN ethos, and run with it.

I'm so looking forward to seeing all the exciting, innovative outcomes unfold within our communities - and the many positive benefits they'll bring to people."

Cllr Val Keitch
Associate Lead Member for Localities (LCNs) & Public Health
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# **Local Community Networks (LCNs) in Somerset**

## The purpose

There will be 18 LCNs rolled-out to every corner of the Somerset Council area.

Their purpose is:

'To be the focus for the new Council for community engagement and development, within an ethos of local partnership working, looking to improve outcomes for residents through establishing strong connections between Somerset Council, our communities, and our partners.'

## The principles

The development of LCNs was informed by a specific set of principles agreed by the Council's Executive in November 2022, outlined below:

- Respect the rurality of Somerset and find ways to work with differences between rural / urban priorities within an LCN area, and across LCN boundaries
- Respect the diversity of Somerset's landscape character
- Work across Somerset to better align with the Integrated Care System and other partners, recognising the benefits of partnership working
- Observe town and parish boundaries
- Consider unitary councillor division boundaries
- Consider equalities implications

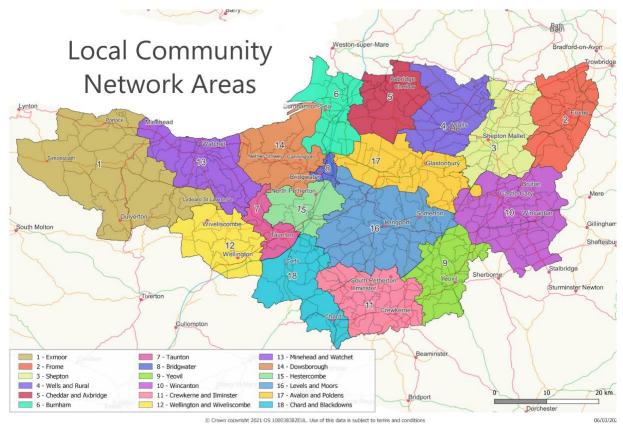
#### The role

#### LCNs will:

- Be a forum for community voice, engagement, and influence
- Be a means for enhancing participation in democracy and local decision making
- Enhance collaboration by bringing together at a local level, representatives from partner organisations, City, Town, and Parish Councils, community groups and residents
- Identify evidence-based community priorities; across economic, social, and environmental issues
- Create plans to reflect how the priorities will be addressed
- Identify and secure resource opportunities for local projects

The map

For a full list of parishes in each LCN Area, see Appendix 1



# The meetings

LCNs will meet in local areas six to eight times a year. They will discuss what is most important for their area and work together to agree how best to achieve it. Locally led groups will pursue their goals between meetings.

# Core membership

Each LCN will comprise of the following core membership:

- The elected Somerset Council councillors representing the electoral divisions covered by the LCN
- A councillor from each City, Town, or Parish Council within the area covered by the LCN
- Representatives from the following groups or organisations:
  - Local Neighbourhood Policing Team
  - Somerset National Health Service
  - Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service
  - Education
  - Representatives from Voluntary, Community, Faith, and Social Enterprise Organisations
  - Representatives from Businesses or Trade Groups

Some of the core membership will be determined locally by each LCN. All meetings are open to the public and to representatives of wider community groups.

#### The role of the Chair

The Chair plays a critical role in the success of the LCN. They'll be a problem-solver, able to deliver democratic meetings that are inclusive and consultative.

The post will be elected at the inaugural meeting of the LCN, alongside the Vice-Chair, and then subsequently annually at each LCN Annual General Meeting.

The Chair, or the Vice-Chair role, must be held by a unitary (Somerset Council) councillor.

The Chair oversees the workplan of the LCN and maintains a close working relationship with the local LCN Link Officer.

It's vital that the Chair ensures that all workstreams of the LCN are being delivered effectively and collaboratively with key partners and residents.

The Chair is a spokesperson and advocate for the LCN and should make themselves available for any media-related matters.

The Chair should also ensure:

- meetings are clear, fair, and inclusive in approach
- engagement with the community is proactive and innovative
- best practice, evidence and feeding back are noted and progressed so that performance can be evaluated, and potential improvements assessed
- there is regular communication with local councillors, partners, Link Officers, and local residents on behalf of the LCN
- encouragement is given to fellow local councillors to lead identified priority themes, and oversee their delivery

As a board of the Council, an LCN needs to function within the letter and the ethos of the Equality Act 2010.

This means making sure meetings are not discriminatory, that any discriminatory conduct and language is swiftly and decisively challenged, those who may not feel confident taking part are proactively supported to do so, the language use about communities and individuals is not stereotypical or derogatory, and evidence drives the discussions and outcomes.

The LCN has a vital role to play in delivering this ethos. Therefore, it's expected LCN Chairs will:

- Champion and be an exemplar of the ethos of the Equality Act 2010 through their language and conduct
- Effectively and decisively challenge any derogatory language or conduct
- Foster a collaborative Board that welcomes and supports all voices to be heard and listened too
- Challenge any prejudices and make sure they do not affect your engagement, or others in the LCN

#### The role of unitary councillors

Each LCN will include the elected unitary councillors representing the electoral divisions within the LCN Area.

Councillors are encouraged to champion the purpose and roles of LCNs, to talk with local parish councils about the importance of participating in LCNs, and to help identify key stakeholders in their LCN Area.

Some councillors will have more than one LCN in their electoral division. They may wish to think about how they will manage that commitment, and perhaps consider sharing LCN responsibilities with partnered councillors.

Local councillors are critical to the success of LCNs. Their engagement is vital, as is their experience and actions.

#### The role of parish councillors

A member from each City, Town or Parish Council and Parish Meeting within the area covered by the LCN is included in the core membership - and will have a vote.

The named local representative from each parish council (elected or co-opted) is encouraged to attend the LCN meetings and represent their area and feedback to their local council.

Clerks cannot be the local representative, and Clerks cannot vote. However, they are welcome, and indeed encouraged, to attend if they have capacity.

#### The role of other LCN members

Representatives from the Police, Health, Fire and Education Services, along with voluntary sector, community groups and business within the area covered by the LCN are included in the core membership - and will have a vote.

The named representative from each of these is encouraged to attend the LCN meetings, represent their organisation and feedback to it.

#### **Voting**

We don't anticipate regular voting will be required. Our pilot LCNs have demonstrated much can be decided by consensus.

However, a vote will be necessary at the LCN Launch Meeting, to appoint the Chair and Vice-Chair roles, and thereafter at each LCN AGM.

Whilst an indicative show of hands online and in the room can inform voting, only persons identified as part of the core membership can formally vote - and they are required to be physically present for that vote to count.

This is detailed in the <u>Terms of Reference</u> and follows current Government legislation.

#### **Hybrid sessions**

We'd prefer LCN participants meet in person, but we also want maximum involvement and no barriers to access.

Somerset Council has been webcasting its meetings for several years to enable people to either physically attend the meeting or join remotely via the internet or a mobile phone. This style of meeting is known as a hybrid meeting. Hybrid meetings in a community context are being trialled, using Microsoft Teams.

Somerset Council ITC colleagues are assisting, to see if this is something that can be easily supported going forward. Much will depend on WiFi access at each venue.

Live streaming meetings is not possible at the moment.

# **Link Officer support**

Link Officers will support all aspects of LCNs, including the meetings, any community engagement and liaison activity, and working groups.

The role includes:

- Providing relevant reports and updates to the LCN meeting
- Ensuring relevant local items are listed on the agenda
- Help to facilitate priority-setting with local councillors
- Supporting communities and councillors with agreed local projects
- Working with colleagues in the Council and in partner organisations to progress these projects
- Promoting the activity of the board, by communicating key messages and successes to a wide audience via the LCN communications lead
- Developing and maintaining community contacts through partners, volunteers, and residents

# **Democratic Services support**

Somerset Council's Democratic Services will support the delivery of LCN meetings. Amongst their responsibilities will be to provide:

- Constitutional and administrative support to LCN meetings
- Organisational assistance with meeting dates and venues
- Drafting, co-ordinating and publishing of an agenda
- Tracking decisions, and the recording and publishing of the minutes
- Liaison with guests and speakers

#### **Terms of Reference**

Terms of Reference (ToR) for LCNs in Somerset are detailed below. They were ratified by Somerset Council on 22 February 2023. These ToRs will help direct future meetings and ensure they are as productive and useful as possible.

#### **Local Community Networks - Terms of Reference**

The Council will establish 18 Local Community Networks to promote the development of stronger and more resilient communities across Somerset.

For the purposes of the Constitution, the Local Community Networks will be classed as Area Boards.

#### 1.0 Purpose, Role, and Function of the Local Community Networks

1.1 The purpose of the Local Community Networks is to be the focus for community development, engagement and partnership working at a local level; improving outcomes for residents and establishing strong connections between the Council, our communities and our partners.

# 1.2 The Local Community Networks will have the following roles and functions:

- Establishing effective local community engagement and influence;
- Promote enhanced participation in democracy, active community decision making and scrutiny;

- Enhance collaboration by bringing together at a local level representatives from partner organisations, City, town and parish councils, community groups and others
- Ensure local influence over the Council and wider public service activity;
- Share information, ideas and solutions to enable services to be delivered to help meet local need;
- To inspire more responsibility for local place shaping;
- To identify evidence-based community priorities across Economic, Social and Environmental issues:
- To create plans to reflect how the priorities will be addressed; and
- To identify and secure resource opportunities for local projects

#### 2.0 Local Community Networks Approach

- 2.1 The Local Community Networks will:
  - Agree priorities and areas of focus for the local area on an annual basis.
  - Agree a tailored communication and engagement plan for actively involving residents and other local stakeholders.
  - Allocate any funding obtained by the Local Community Network as appropriate, and in accordance with rules and guidance set out by the Council's Contract Procedure Rules and Standing Orders.
  - Provide opportunities to ensure that the local community is able to respond to consultations in a timely manner.
  - Provide opportunities to ensure good communications and information from Somerset Council, and partners, on local issues.
  - Make recommendations to Somerset Council and/or other partners on funding local projects.
  - Make recommendations to Somerset Council, and partners, on key local issues.
  - Produce an annual report with a self-assessment of success in relation to delivery against the agreed priorities and areas of focus for the local area for the past 12 months.
  - Hold an annual meeting to enable residents and local stakeholders to input into setting area priorities for the next 12 months and highlight local issues.

#### 3.0 Composition

- 3.1 The Local Community Networks will be constituted as Area Boards. The minutes of the meetings of all Local Community Networks, along with any recommendations, will be considered by the Executive.
- 3.2 In the event of a Somerset Council Councillor being elected following a byelection, the Monitoring Officer has delegated authority to appoint the Councillor to the relevant Local Community Network and Council will be asked to ratify the appointment at its next available ordinary meeting.
- 3.3 Local Community Networks are established for 18 areas covering the county. Any changes to the names of the LCNs or their boundaries will need to be recommended to the Executive Lead Member for Transformation and Human Resources for approval.

## 4.0 **Policy and Constitution**

- 4.1 Local Community Networks must operate within the Council's Budget and Policy Framework and in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution.
- 4.2 Each Local Community Network may receive funding as determined from time to time by the Council, partners or through successful funding bids. Local Community Networks will allocate any funds in accordance with the Council's Procedure Rules.
- 4.3 Local Community Networks will be consulted on the development of strategic policies to make sure that local priorities and concerns are considered. The Local Community Networks will also be consulted where significant changes, reductions or closures of a service are planned in their local area.
- 4.4 Any key decision or policy proposal of the Council that has, or is likely to have, a significant impact in the local area will be discussed with the Local Community Network.
- 4.5 Where appropriate, Local Community Networks are able to set up Working Groups to cover particular topics. The results and outcomes from the Working Group will need to be fed back to the main meeting of the Local Community Network.
- 4.6 In the event of the topic spanning more than one Local Community Network area, the Working Group will be set up to include representatives from all appropriate Local Area Networks.

#### 5.0 Membership & Representation

- 5.1 Local Community Networks will comprise of the following core membership:
  - 1. The elected Somerset Council Councillors representing the electoral divisions covered by the Local Community Network;
  - 2. A member from each City, Town or Parish Council and Parish Meeting within the area covered by the Local Community Network;
  - 3. Representatives from the following groups or organisations:
    - a. Local Neighbourhood policing team;
    - b. Somerset National Health Service
    - c. Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service:
    - d. Education
    - e. Representatives from Voluntary, Community, Faith and Social Enterprise Organisations
    - f. Representatives from Businesses or Trade Groups
    - g. Others as may be considered locally important
- 5.2 The Executive Lead Member for Transformation and Human Resources will approve the core membership of each LCN. Each LCN will review their core membership at their first Annual Meeting and then at least annually and make any recommendations for changes to the Executive Lead Member for Transformation and Human Resources. The core membership list will be classed as the voting members of the Local Community Network.
- 5.3 Each Local Community Network will support and encourage wider participation and engagement from additional attendees. This could include, for example:
  - Local Community and Voluntary Sector Organisations
  - Local Businesses or Trade Groups
  - Housing Associations or Housing Officers Any other relevant local groups which could include youth groups, cultural organisations, environmental groups, older people's groups, disability groups, etc.

#### 6.0 Other representation

- 6.1 Local Community Networks can invite any Executive Member to attend their meeting to discuss matters relating to their remit, if appropriate.
- 6.2 Invited Executive Members attending the Local Community Network as a guest will not have voting rights.
- 6.3 For the avoidance of doubt an Executive Member is entitled to vote as a standing Member of the Local Community Network in which their electoral division is located.

#### 7.0 Officer Support

- 7.1 Each Local Community Network will be supported by a dedicated Officer from the Unitary Council and Democratic Services Officer(s).
- 7.2 Local Community Networks can ask other officers (including external partners officers) to attend their meetings to discuss items of business on their agenda.
- 7.3 Somerset Council Directors will provide an oversight role for the Local Community Networks, ensuring that officers in their directorates attend and engage with the LCNs as and when appropriate.

# 8.0 Order of business for the Annual Meeting of the Local Community Networks

- 8.1 The date and meeting arrangements for the first Annual Meeting for each Local Community Network shall be agreed by the Monitoring Officer in consultation with the Lead Member for Transformation and Human Resources. The Annual Meeting of the Local Community Networks will take place annually based on the commencement date of the Local Community Network.
- 8.2 Items of business for the Local Community Network Annual Meeting will be:
  - a. To elect the Chair of the Local Community Network
  - b. To appoint the Vice-Chair of the Local Community Network
  - c. To receive any apologies for absence
  - d. Declarations of Interest
  - e. Public Question Time
  - f. Approve the minutes from the previous meeting
  - g. To consider the Annual Report on the Local Community Network's work in the last 12 months
  - h. To determine the priorities and areas of focus for the Local Community Network for the next 12 months
  - i. To consider any other business set out in the agenda
  - j. To agree the frequency of meetings
  - k. To agree the schedule of meetings for the next 12 months

# 9.0 Order of business for Ordinary meetings of the Local Community Networks

- 9.1 Items of business for the ordinary meetings of the Local Community Networks will be:
  - a. To receive any apologies for absence
  - b. Declarations of Interest
  - c. Public Question Time
  - d. To approve the minutes from the previous meeting
  - e. To receive updates on any action points from previous meeting(s)
  - f. To consider any other business set out in the agenda

## 10.0 Process for electing the Chair of the Local Community Networks

- 10.1 Only members of the core membership are eligible to be nominated as the Chair. Either the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Local Community Network shall be a Somerset Council Councillor.
- 10.2 Election will take place annually at the Annual Meeting of the Local Community Network.
- 10.3 The Democratic Services Officer will call for nominations for the position of Chair of the Local Community Network.
- 10.4 Only voting members can make nominations. The nomination must be seconded to be valid.
- 10.5 An individual shall not be nominated in their absence without their written consent.
- 10.6 In the event of only one valid nomination being received, the person presiding will declare the nominated member elected.
- 10.7 In the event of two valid nominations, the Democratic Services Officer will ask for a show of hands for those members in favour of each nominated candidate and declare the candidate receiving the majority of votes (of the core membership present and voting) to be the winner.
- 10.8 In the case of an equal number of votes for the two candidates, a random electronic generator will be used by the Democratic Services Officer to determine the winner of the election and then declare the result.
- 10.9 In the case of three or more valid nominations being made, the Democratic Services Officer will call for a show of hands for each of the candidates. The Democratic Services Officer will then announce the candidate with the least

number of votes and that candidate will be eliminated (in the event of a tie for the least number of votes, the Democratic Services Officer will use a random electronic generator to determine which candidate will be eliminated). A further vote shall be taken for the remaining candidates and after each vote the candidate with the least number of votes shall be eliminated until only two candidates remain and a final vote can be taken (following section 10.7 and 10.8 above).

10.10 The Chair and Vice-Chair will hold office until the next Annual Meeting unless they resign from the position. In the event of a resignation, an election for the Chair and/or Vice-Chair will take place at the next available meeting.

#### 11.0 Chairing arrangements

11.1 The Vice-Chair will preside in the absence of the Chair and if neither is present, the Local Community Network will appoint a Chair from among its core membership (section 5.1) for that respective meeting.

#### 11.2 The role of the Chair will include:

- a. Providing leadership to ensure that the objectives of the Local Community Networks are met.
- b. Ensuring that the voices of the local community are at the heart of the work of the Local Community Networks.
- c. Working with Officers to set the agendas and to ensure that any action points are picked up and dealt with.
- d. Chair the meetings effectively to ensure that its business can be carried out efficiently and that all parties have an opportunity to input.
- e. Ensure that the meeting is a forum for debate of matters of interest and/or concern to the local community.
- f. Represent the Local Community Network at the quarterly meetings with the Executive Member and Scrutiny Chair(s).
- g. Produce an annual report on behalf of the Local Community Network which will be considered by the Executive.

#### 12.0 Local Community Network links to the democratic process

This section will set out how the Local Community Networks will link to the democratic process within Somerset Council.

#### Council

12.1 Somerset Council will review the Terms of Reference for the Local Community Networks at its Annual Meeting each year.

#### **Executive**

- 12.3 Local Community Networks can escalate issues of concern to the Executive and/or the relevant Executive Member.
- 12.4 There will be a standing item on Executive agendas to consider and note any minutes from Local Community Network meetings that have taken place. This will include any recommendations that the Local Community Network wish the Executive to consider.
- 12.5 The Executive will also consider the Local Community Network annual report.
- 12.6 The Executive Member with remit for Local Community Networks will meet on a quarterly basis with the Local Community Network Chairs so that common themes and issues can be discussed. The Scrutiny Committee(s) Chairs are also included in this meeting.

## Scrutiny Committee(s)

- 12.7 Wherever possible the Scrutiny Committee(s) will avoid duplicating the work of the Local Community Networks.
- 12.8 However, issues of local concern may be identified and added to the Scrutiny workplan via the quarterly meetings with the Executive Member and Local Community Network Chairs.

## **Planning**

12.9 Planning matters that fall under the remit of the Planning Committee or Planning Sub-Committees will be out of scope of the Local Community Networks to avoid duplication.

#### Licensing and Regulatory

12.10 Licensing and Regulatory matters that fall under the remit of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee, Licensing Sub-Committee and Regulatory Sub-Committee will be out of scope of the Local Community Networks to avoid duplication.

#### **13.0 Voting**

- 13.1 Local Community Networks will seek to reach decisions by consensus where possible, involving the core membership (listed in section 5.1). Prior to such a decision, the Chair may upon their discretion take an indicative vote of the representatives set out in section 5.3.
- 13.2 However, on the occasions where a formal decision needs to be made this will be recommended to the Somerset Council Executive for consideration.
- 13.3 Where a vote is required then this will be by a show of hands of the voting membership present.
- 13.4 Where the vote is tied, the Chair of the Local Community Network shall have a second or casting vote.

#### 14.0 **Quorum**

14.1 Quorum will be 30% of the core membership (section 5.1).

#### 15.0 Meeting frequency and location

- 15.1 Local Community Networks will meet 6-8 times a year, however this is at the discretion of each individual LCN.
- 15.2 Local Community Network meetings will be held in accessible venues and will be held in various locations within the local area (dependent on the numbers likely to attend the meeting).

#### 16.0 Access to Information

16.1 Local Community Networks are subject to the Access to Information Rules set out in Part B of this Constitution.

#### 16.2 For example:

- a. Agendas will be published on the Council website 5 clear days before the meeting
- b. Meetings will be open to members of the public and press
- c. Draft minutes will be published on the Council website within 5 working days following the meeting

#### 17.0 Standards of Behaviour and Conduct

- 17.1 Somerset Council Councillors are subject to the Members Code of Conduct set out in our Constitution.
- 17.2 City, Town and Parish Councillors are reminded that they have been elected to the Local Community Network as a representative of their Council, and therefore should follow their Code of Conduct.
- 17.3 Local Community Network meeting attendees will at all times follow the Protocol on meeting etiquette.

#### 18.0 Review of the Terms of Reference

18.1 The Terms of Reference for the Local Community Networks will be reviewed on an annual basis and agreed at the Somerset Council Annual Meeting. This is to ensure that the Terms of Reference appropriately reflect the role of the Local Community Networks as they evolve over time.

#### **Useful links**

For LCN enquiries contact: <a href="mailto:lcn@somerset.gov.uk">lcn@somerset.gov.uk</a>

Visit the *Frequently Asked Questions* on our website:

www.somerset.gov.uk/local-community-networks/frequently-asked-questions/

Background papers on the development and adoption of LCNs in Somerset can be found here:

SCC Executive ITEM 7

<u>Meeting of SCC Executive on Wednesday, 18th January 2023, 10.00 am - Modern Council (somerset.gov.uk)</u>

Discover more about our work with parishes:

City, Town & Parish Council Conference Resources

Links to our LCN pilots and films:

LCN Pilot projects (somerset.gov.uk)

Film: South East Somerset Pilot LCN - YouTube

Film: Local Community Networks (LCNs) Exmoor Area Pilot - YouTube

You will find the new Somerset Council Plan online:

<u>www.somerset.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/somerset-council-council-plan-2023-2027/</u>

The unitary business case:

<u>SCC - Public - One-Somerset-Business-Case-Final-Submission-2.pdf - All Documents (sharepoint.com)</u>

# Appendix 1

# **List of parishes in each LCN Area**

# LCN Area 1 - Exmoor

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Brompton Ralph	Dulverton and Exmoor
Brompton Regis	ED
Brushford	
Clatworthy	
Cutcombe	
Dulverton	
Exford	
Exmoor	
Exton	
Huish Champflower	
Luccombe	
Luxborough	
Minehead Without	
Oare	
Porlock	
Selworthy	
Skilgate	
Timberscombe	
Treborough	
Upton	
Winsford	
Withypool and Hawkridge	
Wootton Courtenay	

#### LCN Area 2 - Frome

Parishes	<b>Electoral Divisions</b>
Beckington	
Berkley	Frome Fast FD
Buckland Dinham	Frome North FD
Great Elm	Frome West ED
Frome	Mendip Central and East
Hemington	ED
Lullington	Mendip South ED
Mells	
Norton St. Philip	
Nunney	
Rode	
Selwood	
Tellisford	
Trudoxhill	
Upton Noble	
Wanstrow	
Whatley	
Witham Friary	

#### LCN Area 3 - Shepton

Parishes	<b>Electoral Divisions</b>
Ashwick	Mendip Central and East ED
Batcombe	Mendip Hills ED
Chilcompton	Mendip South ED
Coleford	Shepton Mallet ED
Cranmore	
Croscombe	
Doulting	
Downhead	
East Pennard	
Evercreech	
Holcombe	
Kilmersdon	
Leigh-on-Mendip	
Milton Clevedon	
Pilton	
Pylle	
Shepton Mallet	
Stoke St Michael	
Ston Easton	
Stratton on the Fosse	

#### LCN Area 4 - Wells and Rural

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Binegar	Mendip Hills ED
Chewton Mendip	Mendip West ED
Emborough	Wells ED
Godney	
Litton	
North Wootton	
Priddy	
St Cuthbert Out	
Wells	
Westbury sub Mendip	
Wookey	

# LCN Area 5 – Cheddar and Axbridge

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Axbridge	Brent ED
Badgworth	Cheddar ED
Chapel Allerton	King Alfred ED
Cheddar	Mendip West ED
Compton Bishop	
Mark	
Rodney	
Shipham	
Weare	
Wedmore	

#### LCN Area 6 - Burnham

Parishes	<b>Electoral Divisions</b>
Berrow	Brent ED
Brean	Burnham on Sea North ED
Brent Knoll	Highbridge and Burnham South
Burnham Without	ED
Burnham-on-Sea and	Huntspill ED
Highbridge	
East Brent	
East Huntspill	
Lympsham	
Pawlett	
Puriton	]
West Huntspill	
Woolavington	

#### **LCN Area 7- Taunton**

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Bishops Hull	Bishop's Hull and Taunton West
Bishops Lydeard	ED
Cothelstone	Trull ED
Cotford St Luke	Lydeard ED
Norton Fitzwarren	Rowbarton and Staplegrove ED
Taunton	Taunton East ED Taunton North ED
Trull	Taunton South ED

#### LCN Area 8 - Bridgwater

Parishes	<b>Electoral Divisions</b>
Bridgwater	Bridgwater East and Bawdrip
Bridgwater Without	ED
	Bridgwater North and Central
	ED
	Bridgwater West ED
	Bridgwater South ED

#### LCN Area 9 - Yeovil

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Barwick and Stoford	Brympton ED
Brympton	Castle Cary ED
Chilthorne Domer	Coker ED  Martock ED
Chilton Cantelo	Yeovil Central ED
Closworth	Yeovil East ED
East Chinnock	Yeovil South ED
East Coker	Yeovil West ED
Hardington Mandeville	
Ilchester	
Marston Magna	
Montacute	
Mudford	
Odcombe	
Rimpton	
Stoke sub Hamdon	
Tintinhull	
West Camel	
West Coker	
Yeovil	
Yeovil Without	
Yeovilton and District	

#### LCN Area 10 - Wincanton

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Abbas and Templecombe	Blackmoor Vale ED
Alford	Castle Cary ED
Ansford	Mendip South ED
Babcary	Wincanton and Bruton ED
Bratton Seymour	
Brewham	
Bruton	
Castle Cary	
Charlton Horethorne	
Charlton Musgrove	
Compton Pauncefoot	
Corton Denham	
Cucklington	
Ditcheat	
Henstridge	
Holton	
Horsington	
Lamyatt	
Lovington	
Lydford-on-Fosse	
Maperton	
Milborne Port	
North Barrow	
North Cadbury	
North Cheriton	
Pen Selwood	
Pitcombe	_
Queen Camel	
Shepton Montague	
South Barrow	_
South Cadbury and Sutton Montis	
Sparkford	
Stoke Trister	
Wincanton	
Yarlington	

LCN Area 11 – Crewkerne and Ilminster

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Ashill	
Broadway	Coker ED
Chaffcombe	Crewkerne ED
Chillington	Ilminster ED
Chiselborough	South Petherton and Islemoor ED
Crewkerne	
Cricket St. Thomas	
Cudworth	
Dinnington	
Donyatt	
Dowlish Wake	
Haselbury Plucknett	
Hinton St. George	
Horton	
Ilminster	
Ilton	
Kingstone	
Knowle St. Giles	
Lopen	
Merriott	
Misterton	
North Perrott	
Norton sub Hamdon	
Seavington St. Mary	
Seavington St. Michael	
Shepton Beauchamp	
South Petherton	_
Stocklinch	_
Wayford	
West and Middle Chinnock	
West Crewkerne	_
Winsham	_
Whitelackington	

LCN Area 12 - Wellington and Wiveliscombe

Parishes	<b>Electoral Divisions</b>
Ashbrittle	Blackdown and Neroche ED
Bathealton	Upper Tone ED
Bradford-on-Tone	Wellington ED
Chipstable	
Fitzhead	
Halse	
Langford Budville	
Milverton	
Nynehead	
Oake	
Sampford Arundel	
Stawley	
Wellington	
Wellington Without	
West Buckland	
Wiveliscombe	

#### LCN Area 13 - Minehead and Watchet

Parishes	<b>Electoral Divisions</b>
Ash Priors	Dunster ED
Bicknoller	Lydeard ED
Carhampton	Minehead ED
Combe Florey	Watchet and Stogursey ED
Crowcombe	
Dunster	
East Quantoxhead	
Elworthy	
Lydeard St. Lawrence	
Minehead	
Monksilver	
Nettlecombe	
Old Cleeve	
Sampford Brett	
Stogumber	
Tolland	
Watchet	
West Bagborough	
West Quantoxhead	
Williton	
Withycombe	

# LCN Area 14 - Dowsborough

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Cannington	Bridgwater West ED
Chilton Trinity	Cannington ED
Durleigh	Watchet and Stogursey ED
Enmore	
Fiddington	
Goathurst	
Holford	
Kilve	
Nether Stowey	
Otterhampton	
Over Stowey	
Spaxton	
Stockland Bristol	
Stogursey	
Stringston	
Wembdon	

#### LCN Area 15 - Hestercombe

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Broomfield	Monkton and North Curry ED
Cheddon Fitzpaine	North Petherton ED Rowbarton and Staplegrove ED Taunton North ED
Creech St. Michael	
Durston	
Kingston St Mary	
North Petherton	
Thurloxton	
West Monkton	

#### LCN Area 16 – Levels and Moors

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Aller	
Ash	
Barrington	
Beercrocombe	Bridgwater East and Bawdrip
Burrowbridge	ED  Curry Rivel and Langport ED
Chedzoy	King Alfred ED
Compton Dundon	Martock ED
Curry Mallet	Monkton and North Curry ED
Curry Rivel	North Petherton ED
Drayton	Somerton ED
Fivehead	South Petherton and Islemoor ED
Hambridge and Westport	ISIEITIOOI LD
High Ham	
Huish Episcopi	
Isle Abbotts	
Isle Brewers	
Kingsbury Episcopi	
Kingsdon	
Langport	
Long Load	
Long Sutton	
Lyng	
Martock	
Middlezoy	
Muchelney	
North Curry	
Othery	
Pitney	
Puckington	
Somerton	
Stoke St. Gregory	
The Charltons	
Westonzoyland	

**LCN Area 17 - Avalon and Poldens** 

Parishes	Electoral Divisions
Ashcott	Bridgwater East and Bawdrip
Baltonsborough	ED
Barton St. David	Glastonbury ED
Bawdrip	Huntspill ED
Burtle	King Alfred ED  Mendip South ED
Butleigh	Mendip West ED
Catcott	Somerton ED
Chilton Polden	Street ED
Cossington	
Edington	
Glastonbury	
Greinton	
Keinton Mandeville	
Kingweston	
Meare & Westhay	
Moorlinch	
Shapwick	
Sharpham	
Stawell	
Street	
Walton	
West Bradley	
West Pennard	

#### LCN Area 18 - Chard and Blackdowns

Parishes	<b>Electoral Divisions</b>
Bickenhall	
Buckland St. Mary	Blackdown and Neroche ED Chard North ED
Chard Town	
Churchstanton	Chard South ED Ilminster ED
Combe St. Nicholas	IIIIIIIIStel LD
Corfe	
Curland	
Hatch Beauchamp	
Orchard Portman	
Otterford	
Pitminster	
Ruishton	
Staple Fitzpaine	
Stoke St. Mary	
Tatworth and Forton	
Thornfalcon	
Wambrook	
West Hatch	
Whitestaunton	

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