

**Q1. Please provide your postcode**

**Q2. In what capacity are you giving us your views (eg individual or councillor)?**

**Q3. Please share your views or comments on the draft recommendations.**

**The Draft Recommendations are as follows:**

- **The Town Council retain 18 Members.**
- **The South Ward be renamed Middlebeck.**
- **The East Ward be merged with Beacon Ward.**

**The electoral arrangements for Newark Town Council, effective ahead of the May 2027 elections be as follows:**

- **Beacon Ward – 4 Members (previously 5 members)**
- **Bridge Ward – 3 Members**
- **Castle Ward – 2 Members**
- **Devon Ward – 5 Members**
- **Magnus Ward – 2 Members (previously 1 member)**
- **Middlebeck Ward – 1 Member**
- **Sleaford Ward – 1 Member**

NG24 4JA  
NG24 1SW

Resident  
Resident

Agree.

Seems silly to keep Sleaford as such a small ward so either join with another ward or make it larger by following railway line across. Preference to get rid totally and save cost of running an additional ward

Ng244sh  
NG24 1AG

Resident  
Resident

No real change to us, but why is the River Trent used as a boundary?

The geography of the area seems to suggest a discrepancy with Balderton. It would make sense for Balderton PC to merge with Newark TC. Alternatively merge with Fernwood.

NG24 2GT

Resident

The wards and the allotted members seem to be strangely inadequate and not reflecting the size of the ward. Some have way to few & others too many!

NG241RZ

Resident

Beacon Ward and Devon Ward appear to have too many members in comparison with the other wards

NG241QX

Resident

Fine with renaming South to Middlebeck and merging the few houses in East to Beacon. Although you are still left with the mess in the middle. Sleaford is a tiny ward and should either be merged in to Magnus, Bridge or Beacon. Or you should expand Sleaford taking the edges of Magnus and Beacon.

Not applicable

Representative of local organisation

Thank you for sharing the final recommendations for your Community Governance Review, which we understand are currently subject to consultation. When you are reaching your final decision, we ask that you give due consideration to any comments or concerns raised by members of the public, local organisations and other stakeholders.

Nottinghamshire County Council notes the proposals for the Town Council to retain 18 Members and the proposed electoral arrangements for each ward; for the South Ward to be renamed Middlebeck and for the East Ward to be merged with Beacon Ward.

Having shared the final recommendations with relevant County Councillors, the only concerns raised by local County Councillors are in relation to the timing of the review. This is in terms of the wider Local Government Reorganisation agenda (whilst recognising that the current LGR proposals do not include parish and town councils) and the previously expressed intention of the Middlebeck community to explore the possibility of becoming a Parish Council in its own right.

Nottinghamshire County Council asks you to consider those views prior to finalising your request to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England to make the related alterations to county boundaries where necessary.