

The
Local Government
Boundary Commission
for England

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Dear Mr Pritchard,

**ELECTORAL REVIEW OF COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL: FINAL
RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Commission publishes its final recommendations on the future electoral arrangements for Colchester Borough Council today. The report and an interactive map of the final recommendations are available in the LGBCE consultation area, <http://consultation.lgbce.org.uk>. We have also arranged with your officers for hard copies of the report to be sent to the Council.

We have informed the national headquarters of the main political parties, MPs and MEPs with constituency interests in the area, all parish and town councils, the police and crime commissioner for Colchester and all respondents.

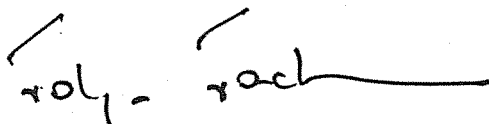
The Commission has now completed its review of Colchester. The changes proposed must now be implemented by order subject to Parliamentary scrutiny. A draft Order – the legal document which brings into force the recommendations – will be laid in Parliament. The draft Order will provide for new electoral arrangements for Colchester to be implemented at the local elections in 2016.

We would also like to invite you to participate in our online opinion survey. This survey seeks feedback on our review processes and procedures, in order to identify improvements that can be made. We would be grateful if you could spare some time to visit our website, at <http://www.lgbce.org.uk/about-us/lgbce-opinion-survey> to complete the survey.

If you require a paper copy of the survey please contact Helen Egan on 020 7664 8519.

Finally, members of the Commission and staff wish to join me in thanking you and your colleagues for the co-operation and assistance that has been shown throughout the review. We are very grateful and wish you all the very best in the future.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jolyon Jackson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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