

Proposed Revised Wards for Derbyshire Dales District Council October 2020

Cllr total 34		Total 61392 Electorate		61392		
Ward	Parishes	Parish Electorate 2026	Ward Total	Deviation	Av per Cllr	
Ashbourne North	Ashbourne Belle Vue	1566				
	Ashbourne Parkside	1054				
	Offcote & Underwood	420				
	Mappleton	125				
	Bradley	265				
	Thorpe	139				
	2	Fenny Bentley	140	3709	97	1855
Ashbourne South	Ashbourne Hilltop	2808				
	Ashbourne St Oswald	2062				
	Clifton & Compton	422				
	Osmaston	122				
	Yeldersley	167				
	3	Edlaston & Wyaston	190	5771	353	1924
Norbury	Snelston	160				
	Yeaveley	249				
	Rodsley	91				
	Shirley	207				
	Norbury & Roston	241				
	Marston Montgomery	391				
	Cubley	204				
	Boylestone	161				
	Hungry Bentley	51				
	Alkmonton	60				
1	Somersal Herbert	71	1886	80	1886	
Doveridge & Sudbury	Doveridge	1598				
	1	Sudbury	350	1948	142	1948

The 'rules' followed were; Max 34 Cllrs, Target 1806 electors per Cllr, use of existing parishes, wards should contain contiguous parishes, with retention of existing ward boundaries where possible.

Ashbourne North expands to include adjacent village settlements, as is inevitable in the general process of ward reduction. Thorpe and Fenny Bentley are not immediately adjacent but will have Ashbourne as their focus for shops & services. Their vicar lives in Ashbourne.

Ashbourne South has been grossly under represented for several years. The two core parishes are too large to be represented by 2 Cllrs so it must become 3 and as a consequence there needs to be an incorporation of rural parishes into this new, large ward. All will look to Ashbourne as their source of services.

This is an expanded 'existing Norbury' ward. Most will be dependent on larger settlements for services. The enlargement is consistent with the reduction in wards from 39 to 34

This ward is too large for one Cllr but we can see no simple solution. Splitting off Sudbury just gives rise to other problems.

Brailsford	Longford	307				Brailsford loses Mercaston just to try to make it a more manageable size.
	Hollington	184				
	1 Brailsford	1392	1883	77	1883	
Hulland	Mercaston	67				Hulland Ward, although itself an expanding settlement, has to gain parishes to be consistent with the reduction of 5 Cllrs
	Hulland Ward	892				
	Hulland	173				
	Biggin	241				
	Atlow	104				
	1 Kirk Ireton	383	1860	54	1860	
Wirksworth	Wirksworth Town	3603				Although Wirksworth Town would be a suitable size for 2 Cllrs, separating it from Bolehill seems inappropriate. It is now too small to justify 3 Cllrs so needs to absorb adjacent rural parishes. Unfortunately there are not enough to achieve the target size. Absorbing Cromford would create a too large ward for even 3 Cllrs.
	Wirksworth Bolehill	628				
	Middleton	738				
	Callow	43				
	Ible	36				
	Carsington	131				
	3 Hopton	90	5269	-149	1756	
Cromford & M-Bath	Cromford	1214				Splitting these two parishes off from the existing Masson ward makes a suitable sized single Cllr ward.
	1 Matlock Bath	590	1804	-2	1804	
White Peak	Tissington & Lea Hall	137				Such a very large rural ward is not ideal but it is hard to avoid with no major population centres. However it is in this respect no different to Carsington and Dovedale & Parwich which are the existing wards
	Kniveton	331				
	Hognaston	224				
	Newton Grange	39				
	Eaton & Alsop	75				
	Parwich	386				
	Bradbourne	98				
	Ballidon	56				
	Brassington	477				
	Aldwark	34				
	1 Ivonbrook Grange	14	1871	65	1871	

Matlock St Giles	Chesterfield Rd East	1221				This ward is clearly falling between a 2 & 3 councillor ward. However there is no suitable parish to incorporate except Matlock Bath and that prevents the more appropriate combination of Matlock Bath and Cromford.
	Hurst Farm	1102				
	Matlock Green	863				
	Riber & Starkholmes	158				
	Riber & Starkholmes	597				
3	Tansley	1045	4986	-432	1662	
Matlock All Saints	Matlock Bk & Sheriff fields	1754				Although slightly under the target for electorate this existing 3 Cllr ward expands to take in South Darley. It is also the subject of significant projected development under the Local Plan.
	N of Jackson Rd	1340				
	Smedley St	1513				
	S Darley (3 wards)	584	5191	-227	1730	
3						
Darley Dale	Northwood & Tinkersley	519				The existing 3 Cllr ward expands by taking in Northwood and Tinkersley, following the same inevitable pattern of other large population centres with the reduction of 5 Cllrs.
	Darley Dale North	1333				
	Darley Dale North	1553				
	Darley Dale South	690				
	Darley Dale South	1052				
	Darley Dale South	376	5523	105	1841	
3						
Bakewell	Bakewell	884				All the parishes were previously in the 3 member ward, so should present no problem.
	Bakewell	2212				
	Ashford in the water	380				
	Sheldon	62	3538	-74	1769	
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Hartington	Hartington Town Quarter	272				All parishes were previously in the ward.
	Hartington Middle Quarter	312				
	Hartington Nether Quarter	348				
	Taddington	349				
	Flagg	160				
	Chelmorton	270				
	Blackwell in the Peak	29	1740	-66	1740	
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Bradwell	Bradwell	1167				This is the previous ward with the addition of Wardlow.	
	Great Hucklow	118					
	Grindlow	31					
	Foolow	112					
	Hazlebadge	20					
	Little Hucklow	74					
	1	Wardlow	106	1628	-178		1628
Tideswell	Tideswell	1387				This is the previous ward with the addition of Litton. See footnote 1 at the end	
	Litton	501					
	1	Wheston	28	1916	110		1916
	Chatsworth	Baslow	1025				
	Chatsworth	13					
	Edensor	128					
	Pilsley	113					
	Beeley	127					
1	Rowsley	393	1799	-7	1799		
Hathersage	Hathersage	1591				This is the previous ward with the addition of Stoney Middleton. See footnote 2 at the end.	
	Grindleford	774					
	Eyam	805					
	Offerton	12					
	Highlow	23					
	Abney & Abney						
	Grange	41					
	2	Stoney Middleton	416	3662	50		1831
Youlgreave	Youlgreave	875				This Is the previous ward with addition of Stanton and Over and Nether Haddon. This keeps a Peak District ward, rather than a cross over. Previously Stanton was in a ward with Rowsley and Northwood and Tinkersley, outside the Peak District. “The Bugle” covers Youlgreave and Middleton, so the ward keeps that identity intact. The additions have a Peak District and rural identity that would fit better with Youlgreave. The new additions mean all villages that share the 178 bus service will now be in the same ward.	
	Stanton (3 wards)	285					
	Over Haddon	205					
	Nether Haddon	8					
	Monyash	268					
	Middleton & Smerrill	119					
	1	Harthill	46	1806	0		1806

Calver & Longstone	Brushfield	14				Little and Great Longstone share a Parish Clerk, and they share a vicar for the churches. "Under the Edge" local magazine, covers both villages. They are physically very close. They fund each others projects and share recreation facilities like tennis courts. Calver, Curbar and Froggatt were previously together. Two pockets with their own identity. There is nothing really that links the two centres of Longstone and Calver, it is a numbers and geography pairing.
	Calver	580				
	Curbar	344				
	Froggatt	172				
	Hassop	59				
	Rowland	24				
	Little Longstone	77				
1	Great Longstone	583	1853	47	1853	
Bonsall	Bonsall	667				This has Winster, Gratton and Elton together as in previous ward with addition of Bonsall and Birchover. A numbers and geography exercise given that Darley Dale needs to be a preserved entity.
	Winster	457				
	Gratton	14				
	Elton	327				
	1	Birchover	284	1749	-57	

Footnote 1 Litton has a past history of being in the same ward. The Tideswell welcome pack lists services and amenities in Litton. The Tideswell Environmental group only offers membership outside Tideswell to Litton. Local magazine " Village Voice" features both villages. They have same "wakes week". There is, on paper, an argument to combine Bradwell and Tideswell into a two member ward to even out the numbers. However, they have quite distinct characteristics, with Bradwell having more of an industrial base, and Tideswell having more of a tourism base. There has also been traditionally been rivalry between the villages that would mean the vote would go along Bradwell/Tideswell lines, and result in a two ward identity remaining, making it harder to co-member what would be a very large ward with a heavy Parish Council/Meeting load.

Foot note 2 Hathersage can attract an outdoor activity demographic moving out of Sheffield, which Stoney Middleton also can. Stoney Middleton until recently had a climber's café, now Curry Cottage, which with Grindleford Café, also in the ward, was a social centre for climbers. Stoney Middleton has an industrial past linked to quarrying that makes it a better fit with Hathersage which has lost its farming past to become a busy very large village by Peak District standards. It also has a shoe and boot making history it shares with Eyam, along with the Fluorspar, that links many of the White Peak villages.