

APPENDIX C

BLAENAU GWENT CURRENT AND PROPOSED ELECTORAL WARDS

CURRENT WARDS - 42 COUNCILLORS		PROPOSED WARDS - 34 COUNCILLORS			
Ward Name	No. of Councillors	Name or New Name	No. of Councillors	Ward Boundary Changes	Reasons / Evidence
<u>TREDEGAR</u>	9	<u>TREDEGAR</u>	8		
Georgetown	2	Georgetown	2	Ward boundary remains the same.	Within the correct ratio . No councillor or boundary change.
Sirhowy	3	Sirhowy	3	Ward boundary remains the same.	Within the correct ratio . No councillor or boundary change.
Tredegar Central & West	4	Tredegar	3	Ward boundary remains the same.	A reduction of 1 councillor as too few electors per councillor; must be no 4 member wards. New housing development in next few years (in Ashvale) will bring electorate up to correct figure as currently under represented by 11%.
<u>EBBW VALE</u>	13	<u>EBBW VALE</u>	11		
Rassau	2	Rassau and Garnlydan	2	All of Garnlydan estate to be moved into the Rassau Ward from the Beaufort Ward.	Natural Boundary used to merge area. Access to Garnlydan by residents is mainly via Reservoir Road in Rassau. Similar communities. Garnlydan children attend Rassau School. This merger will assist Beaufort ward and is the correct ratio for Rassau Ward.
Badminton and Beaufort Wards	4 (2 for Badminton and 2 for Beaufort)	Beaufort	3	All of Badminton ward to be merged into remaining part of Beaufort ward.	A reduction of 1 councillor with the new merged Badminton and part of Beaufort Ward. Badminton too small to be a ward on its own. No single member wards. Similar communities. Some residents of Badminton consider themselves to be residents of Beaufort
Ebbw Vale North	3	Ebbw Vale North	2	Ward boundary remains the same.	A reduction of 1 councillor. Ratio is then correct for a 2 councillor ward.
Ebbw Vale South	2	Ebbw Vale South	2	Ward boundary remains the same.	Within the correct ratio. No councillor or boundary change.
Cwm	2	Cwm	2	Ward boundary remains the same.	Within the correct ratio. No councillor or boundary change.

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<u>BRYNMAWR NANTYGLO & BLAINA</u>	9	<u>BRYNMAWR NANTYGLO & BLAINA</u>	7		
Brynmawr	3	Brynmawr	3	Move all of the houses in Lakeside into Brynmawr ward.	With Lakeside included, it would be the correct ratio . Brynmawr one separate community. No natural boundary to divide some of the ward into Nantyglo ward. Lakeside residents consider themselves to be Brynmawr residents. As a consequence Asda Stores will also be in Brynmawr but it is currently named Asda Brynmawr.
Nantyglo	3	Nantyglo	2	New boundary. Moving houses north of Park from Blaina Ward into Nantyglo ward. (see map)	A reduction of 1 councillor. Moving some electors from Blaina Ward into Nantyglo Ward as more electors in Blaina than Nantyglo. This will then be just above the correct ratio for 2 councillors.
Blaina	3	Blaina	2	Decrease by 1 councillor. Losing electors from north of the Park . (see map)	A reduction of 1 Councillor . By moving some electors into Nantyglo gives the correct ratio. Blaina still has more electors than Nantyglo but difficult to move more electors as no natural boundary.

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<u>ABERTILLERY</u>	11	<u>ABERTILLERY</u>	8		
Cwmtillery	3	Cwmtillery	3	Move part of Abertillery into Cwmtillery Ward (former Abertillery Park Polling Districts).	With part of Abertillery merged into Cwmtillery Ward it would be the correct ratio for 3 councillors.
Abertillery and Six Bells	5 (3 for Abertillery and 2 for Six Bells)	Abertillery	3	Merge Six Bells and whole of Aberbeeg into the new Abertillery Ward and move some former Abertillery electors (Abertillery Park Polling Districts) to Cwmtillery.	Within the correct ratio of 3 councillors with revised ward boundaries. No separate Six Bells Ward - too few electors to remain a ward, and no single member wards. Two properties at end of Cwm Road moved into new Abertillery Ward as boundary is currently in between two properties.
Llanhilleth	3	Llanhilleth	2	Whole of Aberbeeg moving into new Abertillery Ward.	Decrease ward by 1 Councillor. Too many electors per councillor but insufficient electors to remain a 3 member ward. Aberbeeg is currently split between two wards and with this change it will all be situated in the same ward. With this change correct ratio.
TOTAL NO OF COUNCILLORS	42	TOTAL NO OF COUNCILLORS	34		