



## **Full Council – 1 December 2015**

Please find attached amendments to the Report of the Governance Committee relating to County Council submission to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on county electoral boundaries

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## **Boundary Review for East Sussex**

### **AMENDMENTS**

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## AMENDMENT 1 – RURAL ROTHER

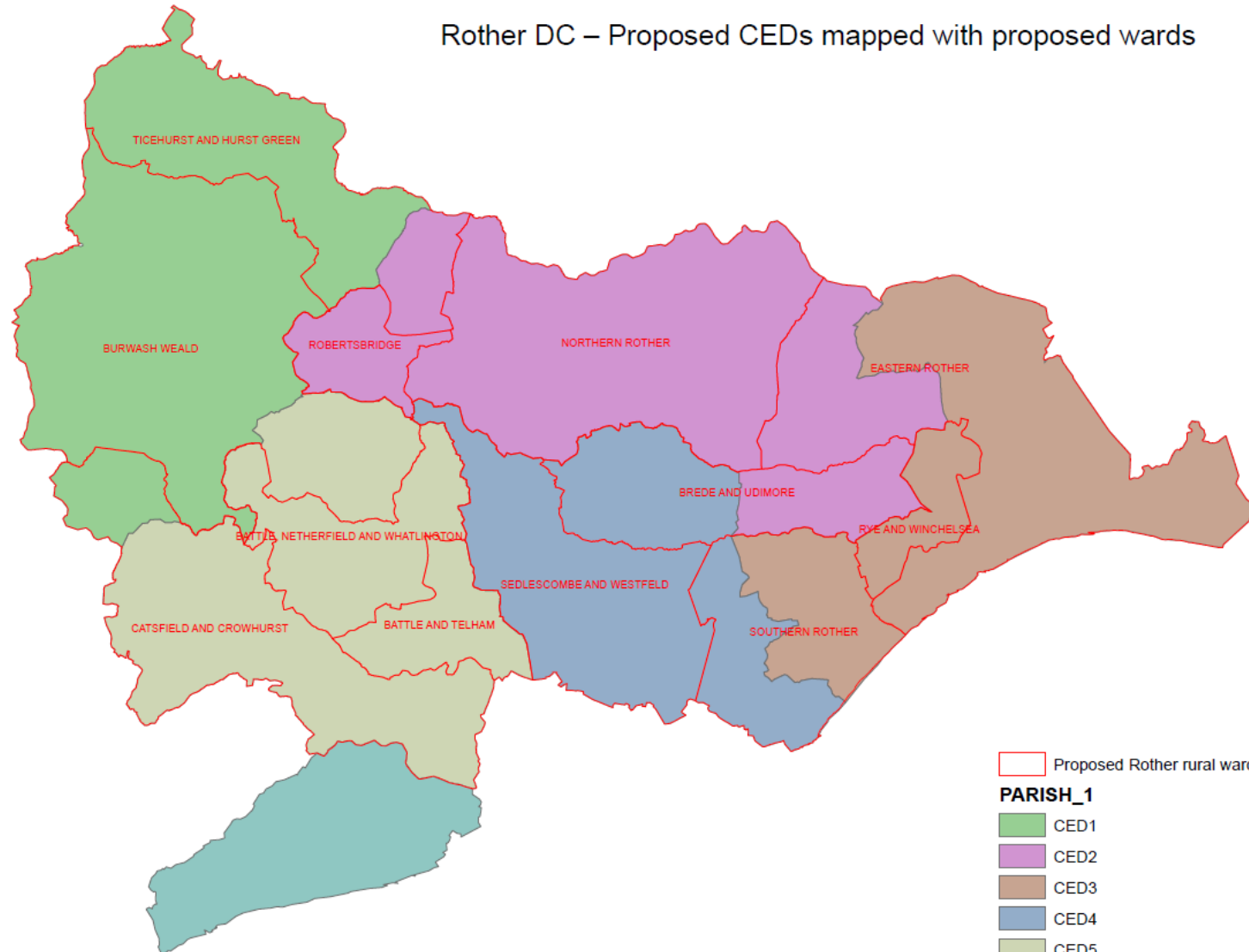
The draft CED pattern considered by Governance Committee was based on district ward boundaries proposed by members of Rother District Council. The pattern of CEDs can be further improved to take account of a number of important historical, geographical and community links that are present in the current configuration. More specifically, this amendment seeks to:

- retain better connections between parishes that are more relevant to the electorate and, in particular, avoids the breakup of Icklesham Parish;
- retain Brede parish within the Southern Rother CED; Brede parish has more natural south facing links with Westfield and Hastings outskirts (and the Hastings and Rother parliamentary constituency) by virtue of the A28.
- avoid the movement of parishes between parliamentary constituencies therefore allowing easier ongoing connections with MPs.

The present configuration of CEDs contains imbalances in elector numbers that are improved by this amendment.

In summary, the proposed pattern is based on parish boundaries and is similar to the current arrangement in many ways: it retains locally important community and geographical links and successfully addresses an imbalance in elector numbers in the current CED pattern.

# Rother DC – Proposed CEDs mapped with proposed wards



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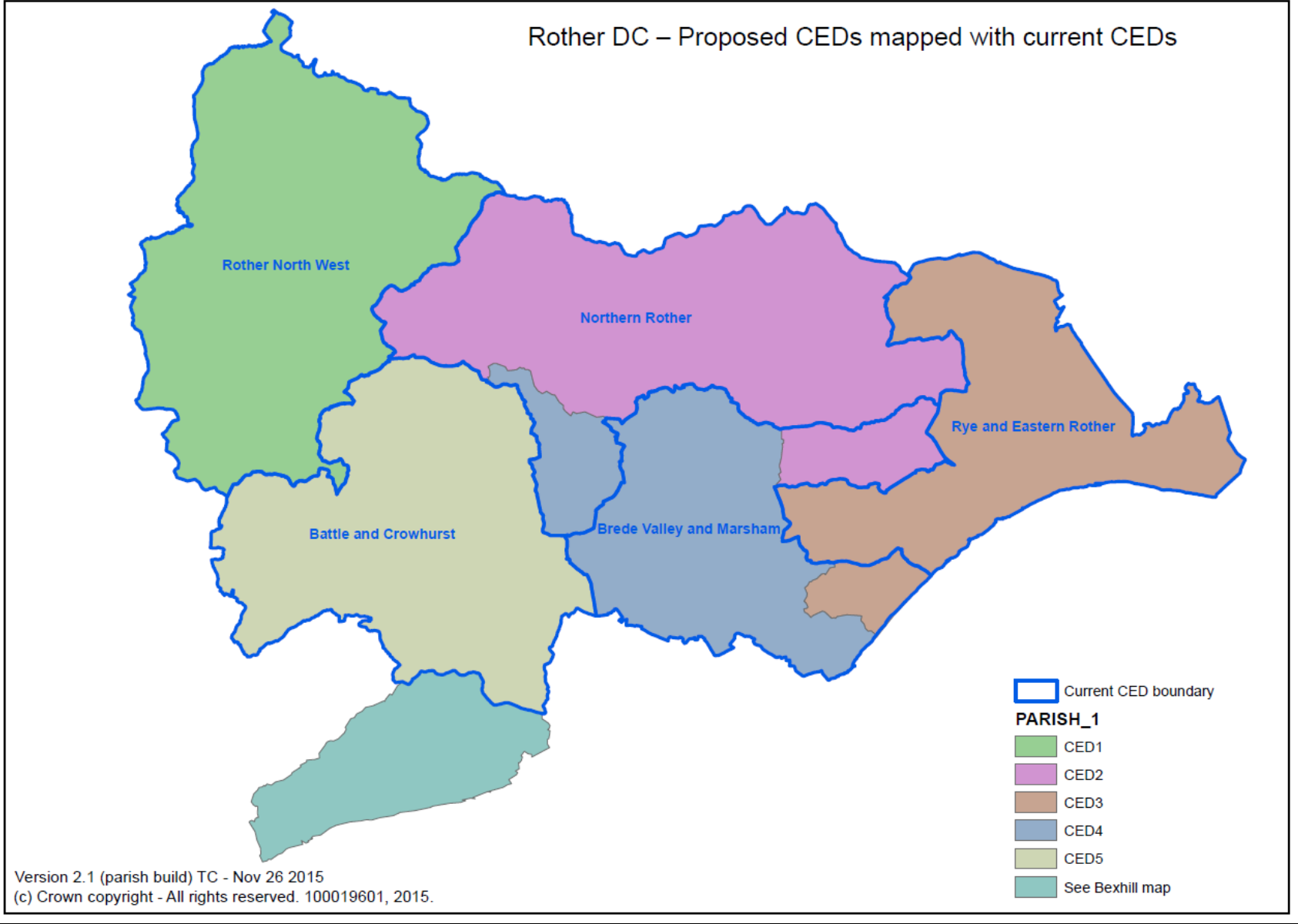


Table showing proposed CEDs with parish building blocks

<b>CED</b>	<b>CED name (proposed)</b>	<b>Building blocks</b>	<b>Electorate 2021</b>	<b>Variance from 8,651</b>	<b>Notes</b>
CED1	Rother North West	Parishes: Ticehurst, Etchingham, Hurst Green, Burwash, Brightling, Dallington	7,903	-8.6%	
CED2	Northern Rother	Parishes: Salehurst, Robertsbridge, Bodiam, Ewhurst, Northiam, Beckley, Peasmarsch, Rye Foreign, Udimore	8,104	-6.3%	Current CED less Sedlescombe plus Udimore
CED3	Rye and Eastern Rother	Parishes: Rye, Playden, East Guldeford, Camber, Icklesham, Iden, Pett	8,405	-2.8%	Current CED plus Pett
CED4	Brede Valley and Marsham	Parishes: Brede, Sedlescombe, Westfield, Guestling, Fairlight	8,066	-6.8%	Current CED plus Sedlescombe less Udimore, less Pett
CED5	Battle and Crowhurst	Parishes: Mountfield, Whatlington, Battle, Crowhurst, Catsfield, Ashburnham and Penhurst	8,233	-4.8%	

## AMENDMENT 2 – LEWES DISTRICT

The proposed grouping of 'coastal' CEDs considered by Governance Committee was based on a combination of proposed district ward boundaries (on the coast), parish boundaries (in the rural areas) and retaining Lewes town as a single community as far as practicable. This amendment seeks to improve the CED pattern further. It will:

- retain Peacehaven, Telscombe and East Saltdean entirely within the Brighton Kemptown parliamentary constituency therefore allowing easier connection with MPs
- retaining important locally-recognised connections between Peacehaven North and Peacehaven East and Peacehaven West and Telscombe.
- Retain Lewes CED as it currently stands to reflect the important community links that cannot easily be split.
- Ensure a more geographically efficient size of CEDs across the district.

The resulting impact on the pattern of CEDs is as shown in the map and table below.



# Lewes DC – Proposed CEDs based on Parishes

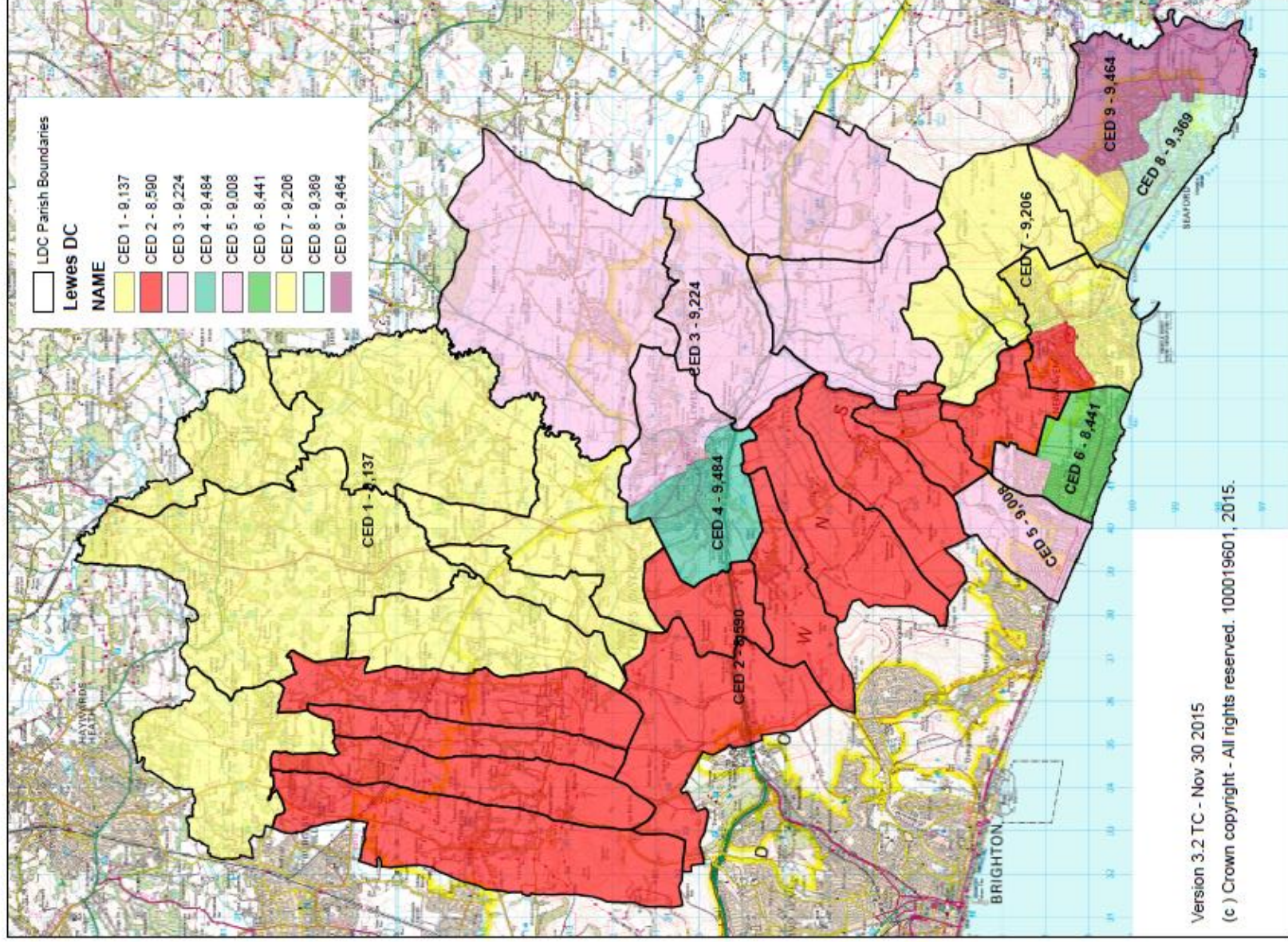


Table showing makeup of each proposed County Electoral Division (CED) – Lewes district

CED	CED name (proposed)	Building blocks	Electorate 2021	Variance from 8,651	Notes
CED1	Chailey	Chailey Parish	2,755		
		Wivelsfield Parish	2,037		
		Newick Parish	2,142		
		East Chiltington Parish	392		
		St John (without) Parish	59		
		Barcombe Parish	1,235		
		Hamsey Parish	518		
		<b>CED1 Total</b>	<b>9,137</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	
CED2	Ouse Valley West and Downs	Ditchling Parish	1,913		
		Westmeston Parish	261		
		Plumpton Parish	1,422		
		Streat Parish	157		
		Falmer Parish	154		
		Iford Parish	172		
		Kingston Parish	776		
		Piddinghoe Parish	224		
		Rodmell Parish	371		
		St Ann (without) Parish	83		
		Southeast Parish	42		
		Current Newhaven Valley LJB / LJA	3,015		
		<b>CED2 total</b>	<b>8,590</b>	<b>-0.7%</b>	
CED3	Ringer and Lewes Bridge	Beddingham Parish	203		
		Firle Parish	270		
		Glynde Parish	192		
		Lewes Bridge proposed new ward	3,939		

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		Ringmer Parish	3,970		
		Part of Lewes Castle proposed new ward	650		Lewes Castle 4,044
		<b>CED3 total</b>	<b>9,224</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	
CED4	Lewes	Lewes Priory proposed new ward	6,090		
		Part of Lewes Castle proposed new ward	3,394		Lewes Castle 4,044 less 650
		<b>CED4 total</b>	<b>9,484</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	
CED5	Telscombe	East Saltdean & Telscombe Cliffs proposed new ward (4)	5,840		
		Peacehaven North proposed Ward (14) part	3,168		
		<b>CED5 total</b>	<b>9,008</b>	<b>4.1%</b>	
CED6	Peacehaven	Peacehaven East proposed ward (13)	4,126		
		Peacehaven West proposed ward (15)	3,760		
		Peacehaven North Ward (14) part	555		
		<b>CED6 total</b>	<b>8,441</b>	<b>-2.4%</b>	
CED7	Newhaven and Bishopstone	Newhaven Denton and Meeching proposed new ward (9)	5,695		
		Newhaven Valley Ward (Part 10)	1,410		
		South Highton Parish	834		
		Tarring Neville Parish	18		
		Seaford West proposed new ward (part of 21))	1,249		
		<b>CED7 total</b>	<b>9,206</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	
CED8	Seaford North	Seaford East proposed new ward (18)	4,019		
		Seaford North proposed new ward (19)	4,150		
		Seaford West proposed new ward (part) (21)	1,200		

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		<b>CED8 total</b>	<b>9,369</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	
CED9	Seaford South	Seaford Central proposed new ward (17)	4,075		
		Seaford South proposed new ward (20)	3,735		
		Seaford West proposed new wards (part of 21)	1,654		
		<b>CED9 total</b>	<b>9,464</b>	<b>9.4%</b>	
	<b>No. of county councillors</b>	<b>TOTAL ELECTORS (LEWES)</b>	<b>81,924</b>		
	<b>9</b>	<b>Average electorate per County councillor</b>	<b>9,103</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	
		Proposed changes from Governance Committee proposal			

## AMENDMENT 3 – WEALDEN DISTRICT

The LGBCE has determined that Wealden District Council will see a reduction in the number of its councillors from 55 to 45. The County Council will see an increase of one councillor to 15 for the Wealden district area. Wealden District Council has proposed a complete revision of the district ward pattern. Based on that pattern, the County Council proposes a coterminous division pattern as reflected on the following table and maps.

This amendment includes small adjustments to the sections highlighted in yellow made in the final version of the Wealden District council to reflect better community links.

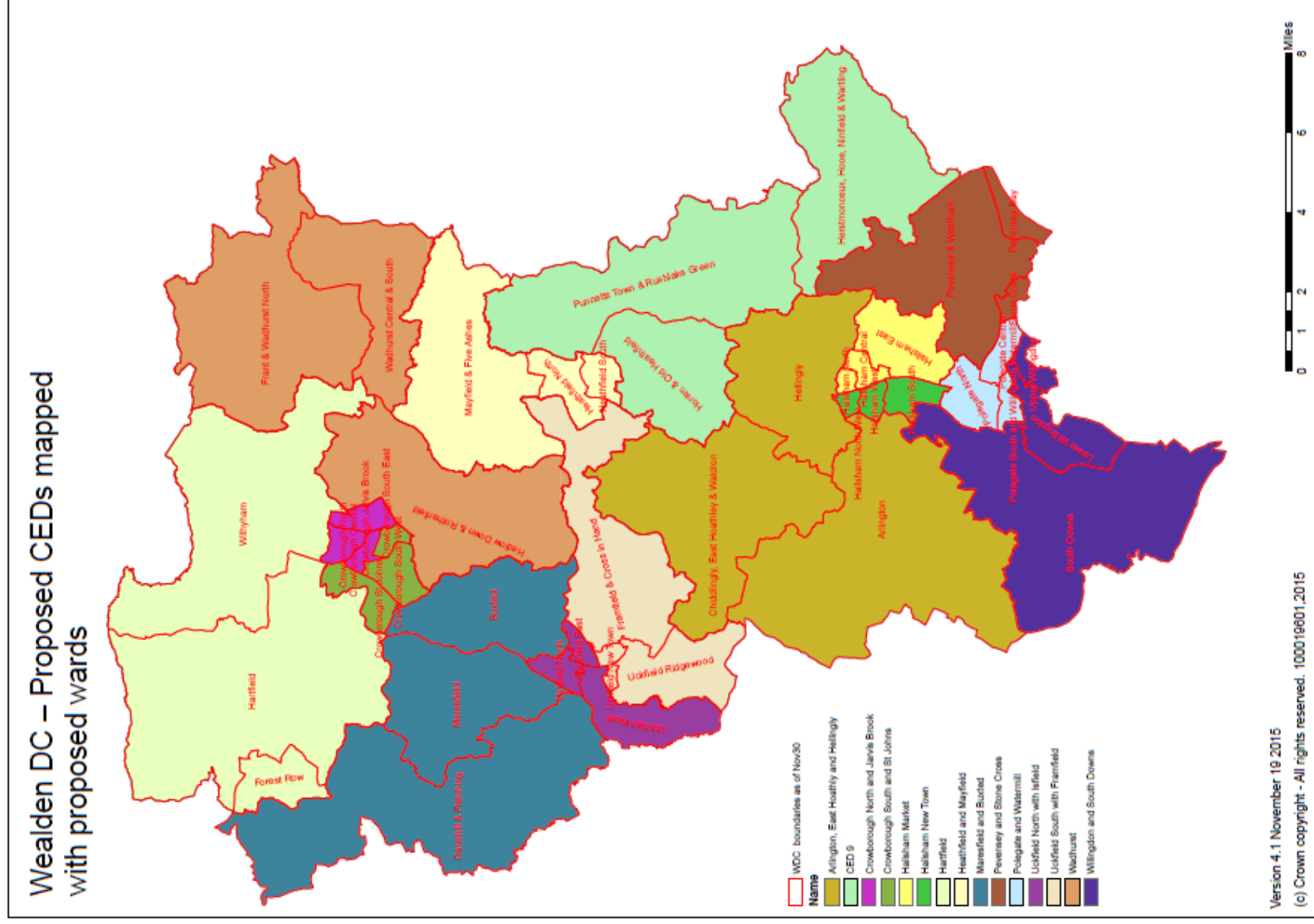
(The precise position of the ward boundaries proposed by Wealden District council can be found on the Wealdon District council website).

**Table showing makeup of proposed County Electoral Divisions (CEDs) – Wealden district**

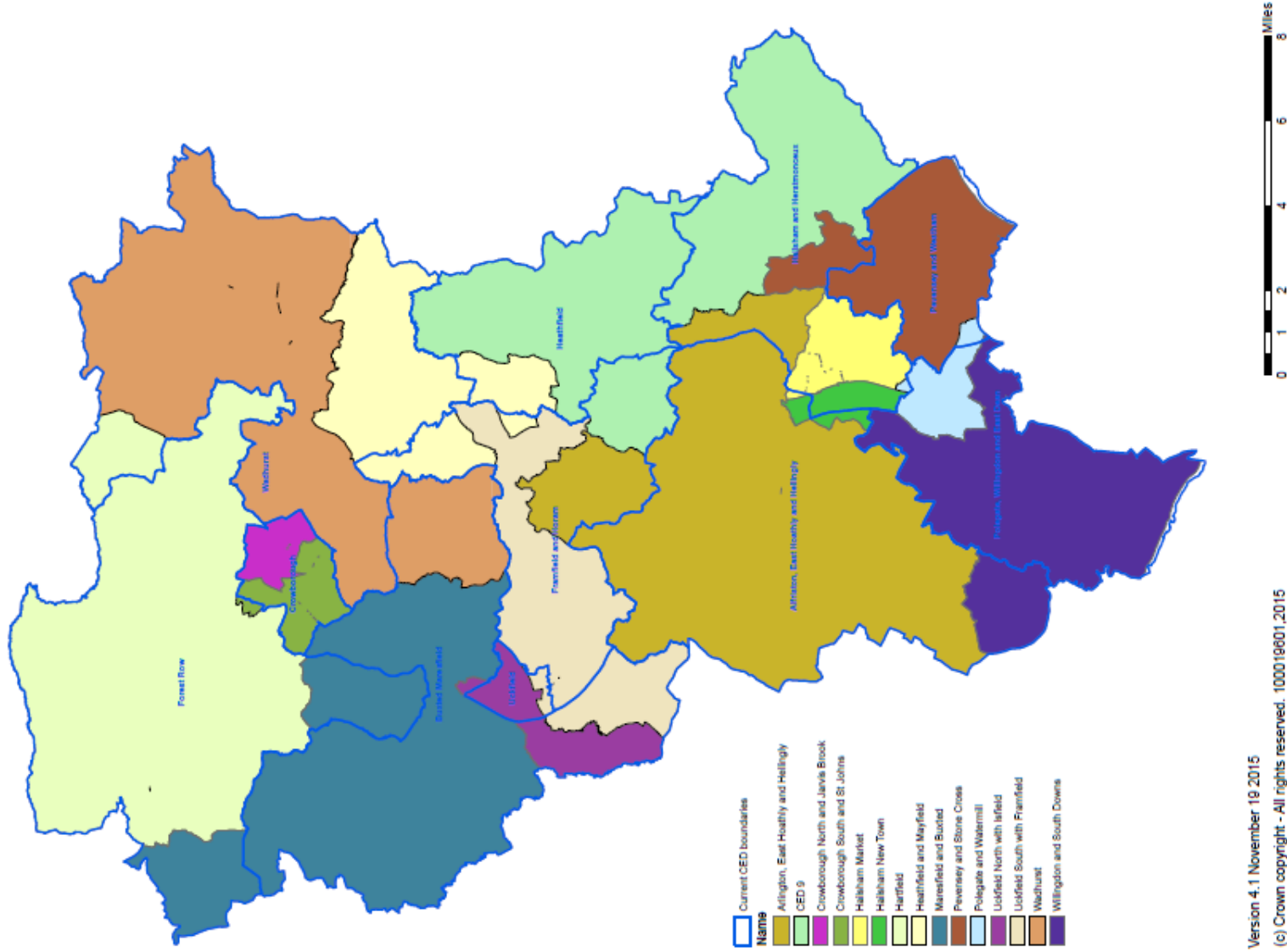
CED	CED name (proposed)	Building blocks	Electorate 2021	Variance from 8,651	Notes
W-CED1	Hartfield	ABC/ Withyham, Forest Row, Hartfield	8,515	-1.6%	
W-CED2	Maresfield and Buxted	DEF/ Danehill and Fletching, Maresfield, Buxted	8,655	0.0%	
W-CED3	Wadhurst	GHI/ Wadhurst Central and South, Frant and Wadhurst North, Hadlow Down and Rotherfield	8,288	-4.2%	
W-CED4	Crowborough North and Jarvis Brook	C1-3 / Crowborough North, Crowborough Central, Crowborough Jarvis Brook	9,068	4.8%	
W-CED5	Crowborough South and St Johns	C4-6/ Crowborough South East, Crowborough South West and Crowborough St Johns	8,843	2.2%	
W-CED6	Heathfield and Mayfield	JKL/ Mayfield and Five Ashes, Heathfield North, Heathfield South	8,640	-0.1%	
W-CED7	Uckfield South with Framfield	U1U2 + N/ Uckfield New Town, Uckfield Ridgewood with Little Horsted, Framfield and Cross-in-Hand	8,680	0.3%	
W-CED8	Uckfield North with Isfield	U345/ Uckfield North, Uckfield East, Uckfield West with Isfield	8,040	-7.1%	

CED	CED name (proposed)	Building blocks	Electorate 2021	Variance from 8,651	Notes
W-CED9	Horam and Eastern Villages	MQR/ Horam and Old Heathfield; Punnetts Town and Rushlake Green; Herstmonceux, Hooe, Ninfield and Wartling	9,366	8.3%	The boundary has been extended south of the A271 to include both Herstmonceux Castle and Herstmonceux Place which are important landmarks within the area and it is considered should form part of any ward that includes the village of Herstmonceux.
W-CED10	Arlington, East Hoathly and Hellingly	OVX/ Hellingly, Arlington, Chiddingly East Hoathly and Waldron	8,400	-2.9%	
W-CED11	Pevensey and Stone Cross	STP3/ Stone Cross, Pevensey Bay, Pevensey and Westham	8,206	-5.1%	
W-CED12	Polegate and Watermill	P1P2P4/ Polegate North, Polegate Central, Polegate South (Willingdon Watermill and Polegate South)	8,878	2.6%	
W-CED13	Willingdon and South Downs	W+W1+W2/ South Downs, Lower Willingdon, Upper Willingdon	8,289	-4.2%	
W-CED14	Hailsham Market	Hailsham North, Hailsham Central, Hailsham East	9,268	7.1%	
W-CED15	Hailsham New Town	Hailsham South, Hailsham West, Hailsham North West	9,088	5.1%	
	<b>No. of county councillors</b>	<b>TOTAL ELECTORS (WEALDEN)</b>	<b>130,224</b>		
	<b>15</b>	<b>Average electorate per County Councillor</b>	<b>8,682</b>	0.4%	





# Wealden DC – Proposed CEDs mapped with existing CEDs



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