

Committee on Assembly Electoral Reform
Electoral systems and boundaries
ESB 10 Cardiff Council

Response to the National Assembly for Wales consultation on electoral systems and boundaries

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Response to the terms of reference

Examine the recommendations of the Expert Panel on Assembly Electoral Reform relating to electoral systems and boundaries, and the principles underpinning them, by:

Examining the implications of the electoral systems and boundaries recommended by the Expert Panel for democratic representation in Wales, and considering how the principles identified by the Expert Panel might be weighted to ensure that the Assembly's electoral arrangements are appropriate to the Welsh context;

The ERO/RO maintains a neutral stance on this issue but is supportive of the joint response provided by the National Association of Electoral Administrators and the Wales Branch of the AEA.

Exploring public sentiment and understanding of the Assembly's current electoral arrangements and boundaries and the options recommended by the Expert Panel:

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Considering the implications for political parties in Wales of changing the electoral system and boundary models:

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Exploring the principles and practicalities of establishing boundary review arrangements for Assembly electoral areas:

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Considering the cost and resource implications of reforming the electoral system and Assembly boundaries.

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