Ward Changes Agreed by the Boundary Review Working Group

| Name of Ward | Number of Cllrs per Ward | Electorate 2014 | Variance 2014 | Electorate 2020 | Variance 2020 |
|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
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| Barton and | 3 | 7,697 | 5.91% | 7,928 | 2.27% |
| Tredworth | | | | | |
| Kingsholm and | 2 | 5,156 | 6.41% | 5265 | 1.81% |
| Wotton | | | | | |
| Kingsway | 2 | 3841 | -20.8% | 5,018 | -3% |
| (new Ward) | | | | | |
| Quedgeley | 2 | 4535 | -5.8% | 5424 | 4.95% |
| Field Court | | | | | |
| Longlevens | 3 | 7,689 | -0.9% | 7806 | 0.69% |
| Tuffley | 2 | 4,707 | -3% | 4,720 | -9.4% |
| Elmbridge | 2 | 4,998 | 3.1% | 5,094 | -1.5% |
| Quedgeley | 2 | 4,831 | -0.3% | 4,912 | -4.96% |
| Severnvale | | | | | |

Agreed Changes to Wards Without Cross-Party Agreement to

a) Current Westgate Ward boundary remaining unchanged and to have 3 Councillors, but no agreement on whether it could be split into more than 1 ward.

b) Polling District M1A from Quedgeley Severnvale Ward to the Ward currently known as Grange Ward, but no agreement on other boundaries for Grange.

Wards Without Cross-Party Agreement

- Westgate
- Abbey
- Barnwood
- Grange
- Hucclecote
- Matson and Robinswood
- Moreland
- Podsmead

Existing Ward Name : Barton and Tredworth

Proposed Ward Name : Barton and Tredworth

Electorate at 2014 : 7697

Electorate at 2020: 7928

Proposed Representation: Three Councillors

Variance from the Average: 2.27%

(Figures based on 39 Councillors, 2020 projection)

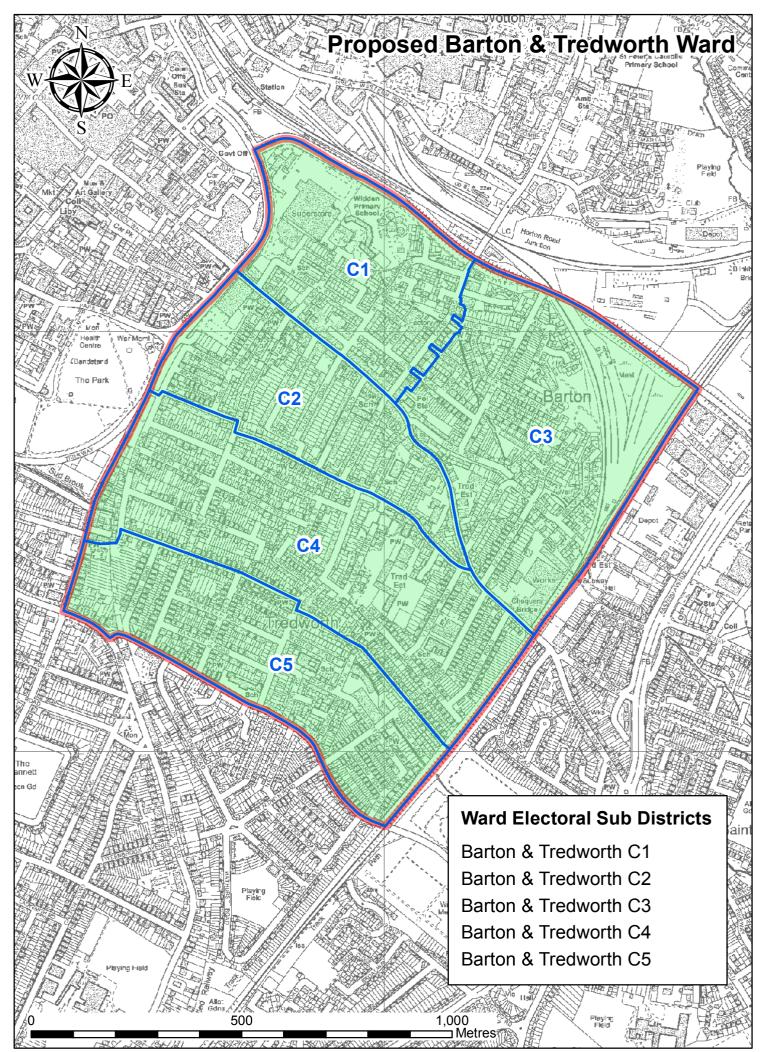
<u>Detail</u>

The proposed Ward will be coterminous with the Existing Ward.

Barton and Tredworth is a well established Ward with three Councillors. It is in a central position in Gloucester near the bus and train station. It is a Ward with 45 different communities with an estimated 50 different languages spoken.

The Ward has distinct Boundaries formed by major roads on three sides and the main railway line on the other.

The community facilities consist of several community centres for the community, a junior school and a primary school, doctors' surgery, police station, and various places of worship for the multi-faith community. The Ward also has a superstore, various shops, cafes and restaurants.



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Existing Ward Name : Elmbridge

Proposed Ward Name : Elmbridge

Electorate at 2014 : 4,998

Electorate at 2020 : 5094

Proposed Representation: 2 Councillors

Variance from the Average: -1.5%

(Figures based on 39 Councillors, 2020 projected figures)

<u>Detail</u>

Elmbridge Ward is located north of the City. It shares a boundary with the Wards of Barnwood, Kingsholm and Wotton, Longlevens and farmland beyond the City boundary. The Ward is a well established Ward with a mature residential area which has the associated facilities such as schools and playing fields.

The proposed Ward will be coterminous with the existing ward, apart from where a boundary change along the road boundary of Horton Road and Cheltenham Road rather than the boundary of Wotton Brook which will bring approx 411 electors from Kingsholm and Wotton Ward to Elmbridge Ward. This will also improve electoral equality in Elmbridge Ward. The proposed Ward will continue to have 2 Councillors.

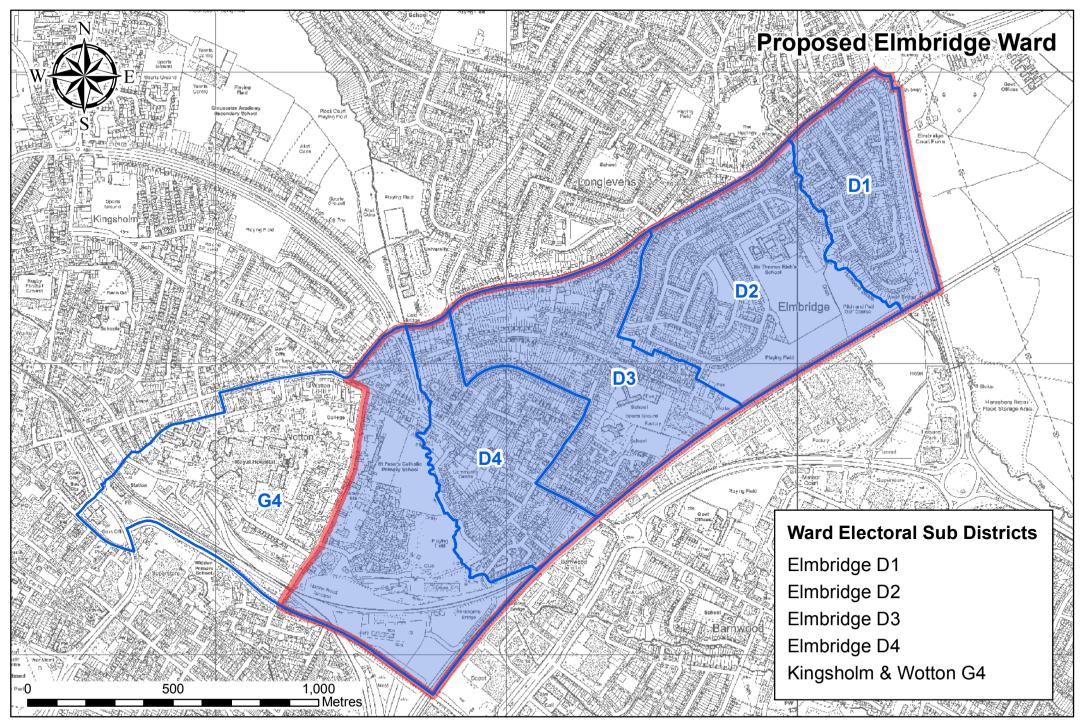
The Ward has two doctors' surgeries and one dentists surgery.

The Ward has two churches; Lonsdale Road Methodist Church and Brethren's Meeting Room.

Elmbridge Ward has a very good level of community facilities with five facilities identified in the recent Communities Facilities Audit. All of which are available to all members of the community, these are; Elmbridge Junior School, Sir Thomas Rich's School, Lonsdale Methodist Church, Brethren's Meeting Room

and Elmscroft Community Centre. There are leisure facilities available at Sir Thomas Rich Sports Centre, Elmscroft Community Centre and Old Richians' Sports and Social Club.

By moving the Ward boundary St Peters Primary School will be placed in the Ward , this will increase the education facilities to four schools in the Ward.



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Existing Ward Name : Kingsholm and Wotton

Proposed Ward Name : Kingsholm and Wotton

Electorate at 2014 : 5,156 Electors

Electorate at 2020 : 5,265 Electors

Proposed Representation: 2 Councillors

Variance from the Average: 1.81%

(Figures based on 39 Councillors, 2020 projected figures)

<u>Detail</u>

The proposed Ward is coterminous with the existing Ward except an area along Horton Road and Cheltenham Road, which is proposed to merge with Elmbridge Ward.

Kingsholm and Wotton Ward derives from the Roman Period and was later reconstructed by Aethelflaed the Daughter of Alfred The Great who lay out the core street plan for Gloucester City Centre which is still in use today. She ruled the kingdom of Mercia from the lost Palace of Kingsholm and was buried at St Oswald's Priory.

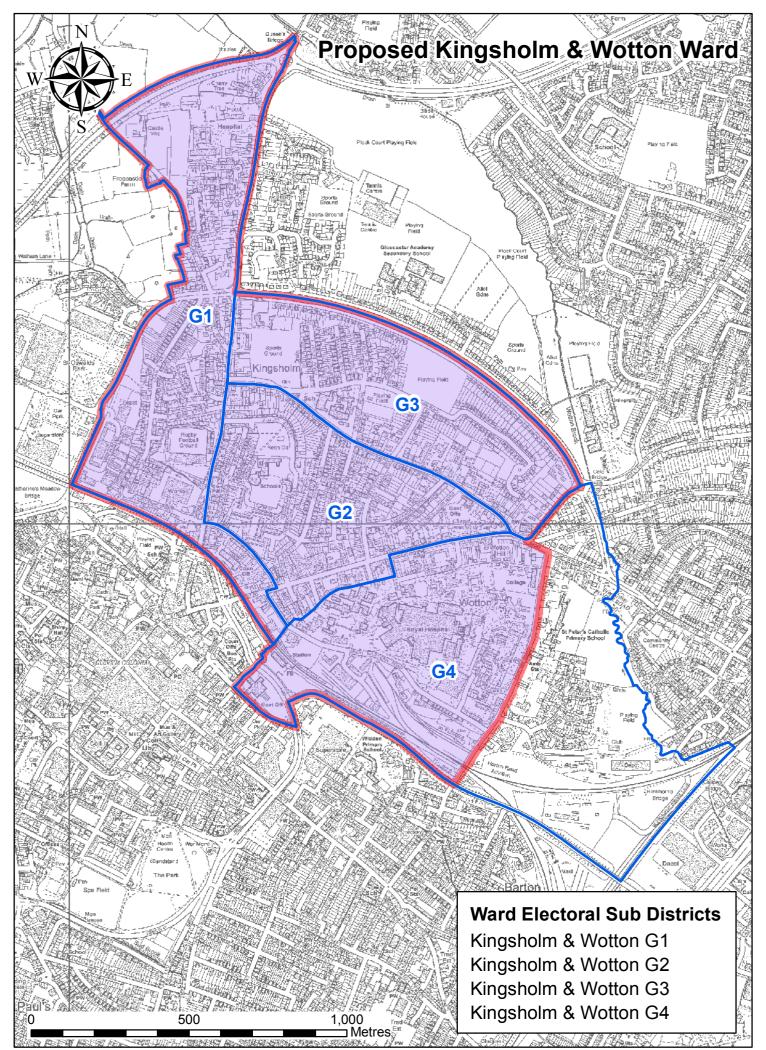
Currently, Kingsholm and Wotton wraps around the northern side of the City centre. It share boundaries with Westgate, Longlevens, Elmbridge and Barton and Tredworth. The Ward is bound by the southern side of Escourt Road to the North, it follows Escourt Road around to the East and then continues along the A38 to the point it meets the brook which it follows to the railway triangle. The boundary then follows Metz Way, where it takes in Twyver House and the Railway Station. The boundary continues north east along the railway line.

The Kingsholm and Wotton Ward boundary will change in the proposed Ward. Electors on the east of Horton Road and Cheltenham Road will be transferred to Elmbridge Ward. The character of Kingsholm and Wotton Ward is very diverse in character, it has a variety of housing from Edwardian to modern, with a good mix of housing tenures. Is the third most ethnically diverse Ward in the City. Gloucestershire Royal Hospital (GRH) is in the Ward as is the rugby stadium, the Railway Station and Clapham Court, which is the City's only high rise residential block. This block is managed by Gloucester City Homes (GCH) and consists of 80 one bedroom sheltered flats, with communal facilities and staff on site.

The Ward has two doctors' surgeries as well as the hospital, two dentists, a reference library and four churches. Two schools will be in the proposed ward, with St Peters Primary School moving to Elmbridge Ward. The Ward will retain six community facilities as well as The Lawn Tennis Club.

This well established Ward has three community Groups; Kingsholm and Wotton Neighbourhood Partnership, Friends of Hillfield Gardens and Twyver Triangle Residents Association.

The proposal to transfer the 411 electors east of Horton Road and Cheltenham Road to Elmbridge Ward means the Ward boundary will be strengthened and both Kingsholm and Wotton Ward and the neighbouring Elmbridge Ward will be better balanced for community facilities.



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Existing Ward Name : NA

Proposed Ward Name : Kingsway

Electorate at 2014 : 3841 (L2 Polling District)

Electorate at 2020 : 5018 Electors

Proposed Representation: 2 Councillors

Variance from the Average: -3%

(Figures based on 39 Councillors, 2020 projected figures)

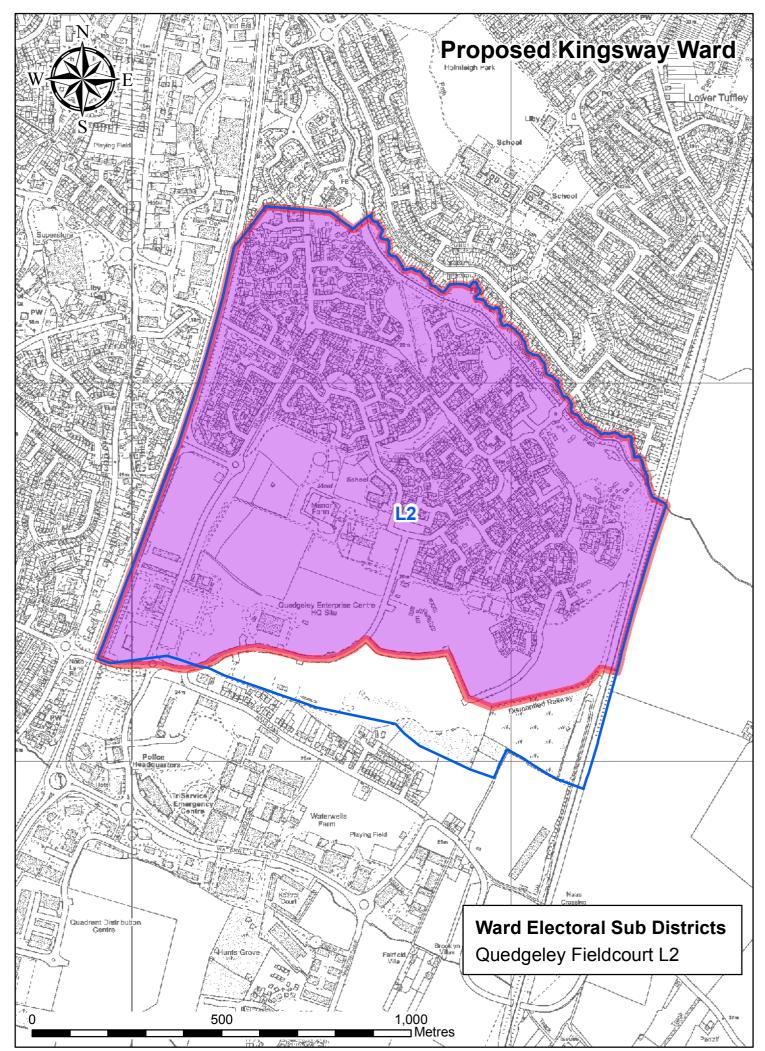
<u>Detail</u>

Gloucester Boundary Review Working Group has proposed a new Ward to be created in Gloucester City. This Ward will consist of part of the existing Quedgeley Fieldcourt Ward Polling District of L2 on the former RAF Quedgeley site to the Eastern side of the A38, to create the new Ward, Kingsway.

Kingsway's boundaries with the Quedgeley Fieldcourt Ward will be Rudloe Drive, Wendling Road, Boulmer Avenue, Goose Bay Drive and the disused railway line. This replaces the existing Polling District boundary. It also has a boundary line along the A38 dual carriageway with the Quedgeley Severnvale Ward to Nass Lane.

The proposed new Ward has elector figures of 5018 for 2020. As a two Councillor Ward it would have 2509 electors per Councillor slightly below the average for Gloucester City.

As a Ward Kingsway will be a community in its own right. It has recently gained new shops (Goose Bay Drive), The Barn Owl Public House, two schools, a new permanent community centre to replace the temporary one and Kingsway sport Pavilion. This fast growing community is a mix of tenures and house types and has been planned with large areas of open space, off road strategic footpaths and cycle ways exist throughout the new proposed Ward of Kingsway. This enables the area to have access to the main shopping district and larger stores in Quedgeley.



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Existing Ward Name : Longlevens

Proposed Ward Name : Longlevens

Electorate at 2014 : 7689

Electorate at 2020 : 7806

Proposed Representation: 3 Councillors

Variance from the Average: 0.69%

(Figures based on 39 Councillors, 2020 projection)

<u>Detail</u>

The proposed Ward will be coterminous with the existing Ward.

The 2014 electorate of the existing Longlevens Ward is 7689 this is projected to grow to 7806 by 2020. This give a variance of 0 .69% from the average ratio with a Council of 39 Councillors.

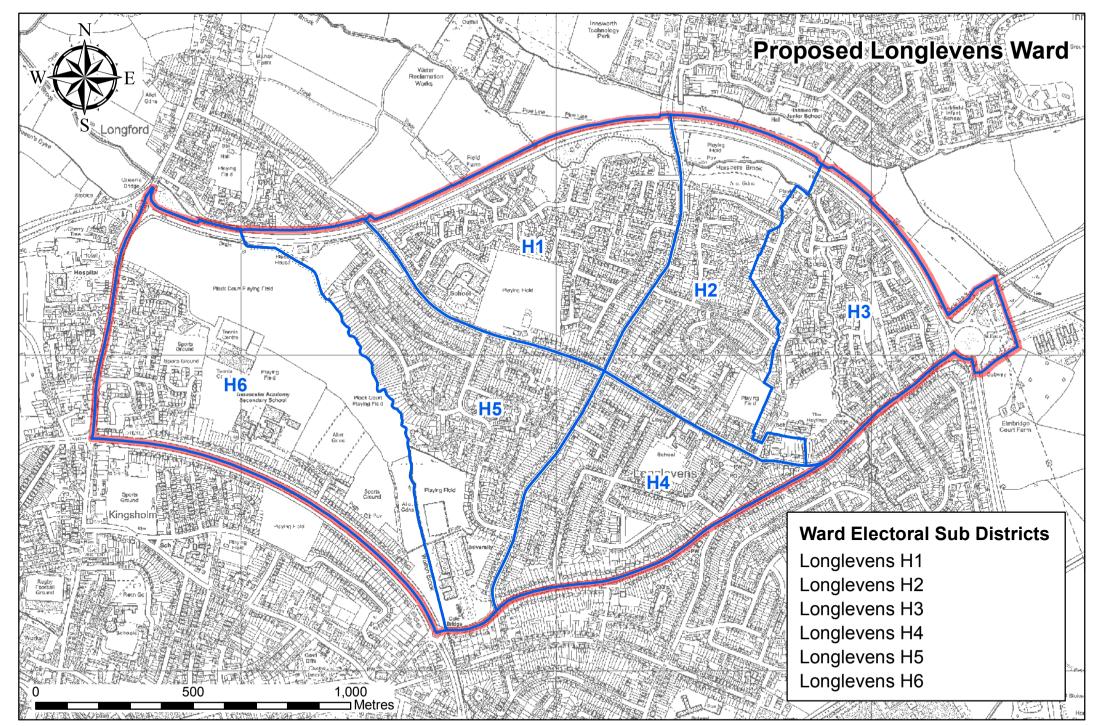
Longlevens is a community well catered for in terms of local shops and facilities. On Cheltenham Road there is a modern Co-Op supermarket. Close by is a small parade of shops featuring ; a chemist, estate agent, hairdresser, Cantonese take-away and funeral directors. A short distance away is an Indian restaurant and a BP petrol station. Close by are two GP surgeries, a branch library, a pub and the Parish Church.

There are three Churches in Longlevens; the Baptist Church, Holy Trinity Parish Church and Methadist Church. The community has a popular village hall in Church Road which is utilised for local events. A rugby football club (Longlevens Rugby Football Club) and a Association Football Club (Longlevens AFC) which have junior and senior teams who play regular fixtures.

Longlevens is served by two infant schools and two junior schools and Milestones a special state school for boys and girls aged 2-16. Gloucestershire University also has a campus in Longlevens Ward with residential accommodation.

The Longlevens community is served by a frequent bus service to Gloucester town centre and to Cheltenham (approx 6 miles away) most of the day which runs at 10 minute intervals.

Longlevens Neighbourhood Partnership which is run from Kendal Road Baptist Church does a lot of good work in the community and in 2009 their Youth Action Group won an award from Gloucester City Council for their work with young people.



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Current Ward

Existing Ward Name : Quedgeley Fieldcourt

Proposed Ward Name : Quedgeley Fieldcourt

Electorate at 2014 : 8376

Electorate at 2020 : 10442

Proposed Representation: 2 Councillors

Variance from the Average: 50.50%

Proposed Ward

Quedgeley Fieldcourt Amended Ward Electorate at 2014: 5318

Quedgeley Fieldcourt Amended Ward Electorate at 2020: 5424

Proposed Representation: 2 Councillors

Variance from the Average: 4.95%

(Figures based on 39 Councillors, 2020 projection)

The existing Ward of Quedgeley Fieldcourt lies to the Southwest of the City and is bounded to the east by the mainline Birmingham to Bristol railway with Stroud District beyond. To the North of the Ward lie Grange and Quedgeley Severnvale Wards and to the South by Hardwick Ward which lies within Stroud District. Quedgeley Fieldcourt is a large Ward which includes the Kingsway development.

The whole Ward lies within Quedgeley Parish Council which is Gloucester's only Parish Council.

The Ward is characterised by residential development with the shops, services and community facilities that such a development requires.

Gloucester Boundary Review Group propose to split Quedgeley Fieldcourt Ward by making the majority of L2 (Kingsway) a Ward in its own right. The main reasons for this are:

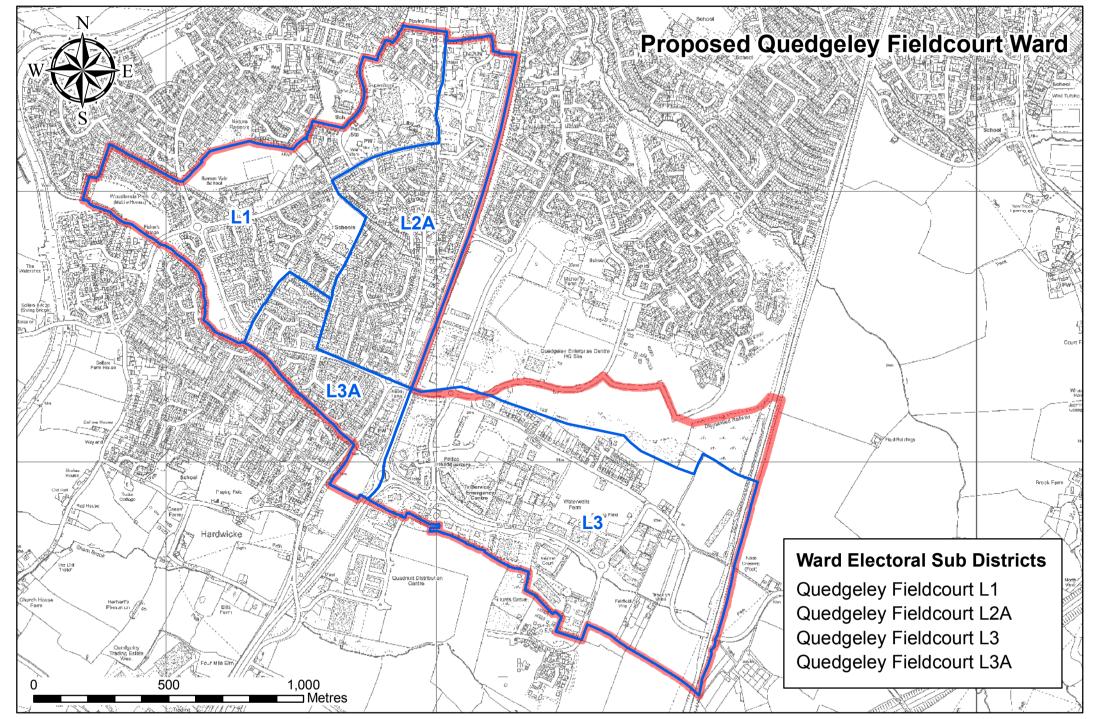
- With no changes the Ward variances would be unacceptably high.
- Kingsway is currently a growing community in its own right with a school, shops and community facilities.
- There is a natural boundary between the Kingsway development and Quedgeley Fieldcourt (A38).
- The Electoral Forecast predicts numbers suitable for two Wards with two Councillors each. This would provide two Wards with electoral equality.

Quedgeley Fieldcourt would encompass most of the original Polling Districts (L1, L2A, and L3) the boundary between L2 and L3 would be moved to the road boundary and disused railway line (see map). This is to accommodate the new dwellings and provide electoral equality. South of the new boundary line there is a later stage development of 435 dwellings (783 electors) by 2020 in Polling District L3 which will bring the elector figures within allowed variances.

Quedgeley District Centre lies to the West of the Ward and comprises a large superstore, other retail warehouses and smaller shops. Quedgeley Fieldcourt Ward has a doctors surgery (St James) which is located to the rear of the superstore, this practice has been extended recently. There is also a dental practice located in the same vicinity.

There is a library located near to the District Centre. This is a well used community facility and is close to the shops, the police station, Village Hall and Community Centre.

The Village Hall is used during the day and evenings by various groups offering a wide range of community activities. Quedgeley Baptist Church also meet at the village Hall as does the local scout group. The Community Centre is run by the Parish Council this has two large halls and is also well used by the local community, providing the location for the Luncheon Club and evening community activities, including Quedgeley Social Club which is run by local residents. It is worth noting that most of the Quedgeley Fieldcourt Ward's community facilities are on the West of the A38. This strengthens the case for Kingsway in its own right.



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Existing Ward Name : Quedgeley Severnvale

Proposed Ward Name : Quedgeley Severnvale

Electorate at 2014 : 4,831

Electorate at 2020 : 4,912

Proposed Representation: 2 Councillors

Variance from the Average: -4.96

(Figures based on 39 Councillors, 2020 projected figures)

<u>Detail</u>

The Current Ward of Quedgeley Severnvale lies to the South west of the City and is the northern most Ward in the Quedgeley Parish, which includes Quedgeley Fieldcourt Ward.

The Ward is bounded by the West by the River Severn and is bisected by the Gloucester to Sharpness Canal, which runs north east to south west through the Ward.

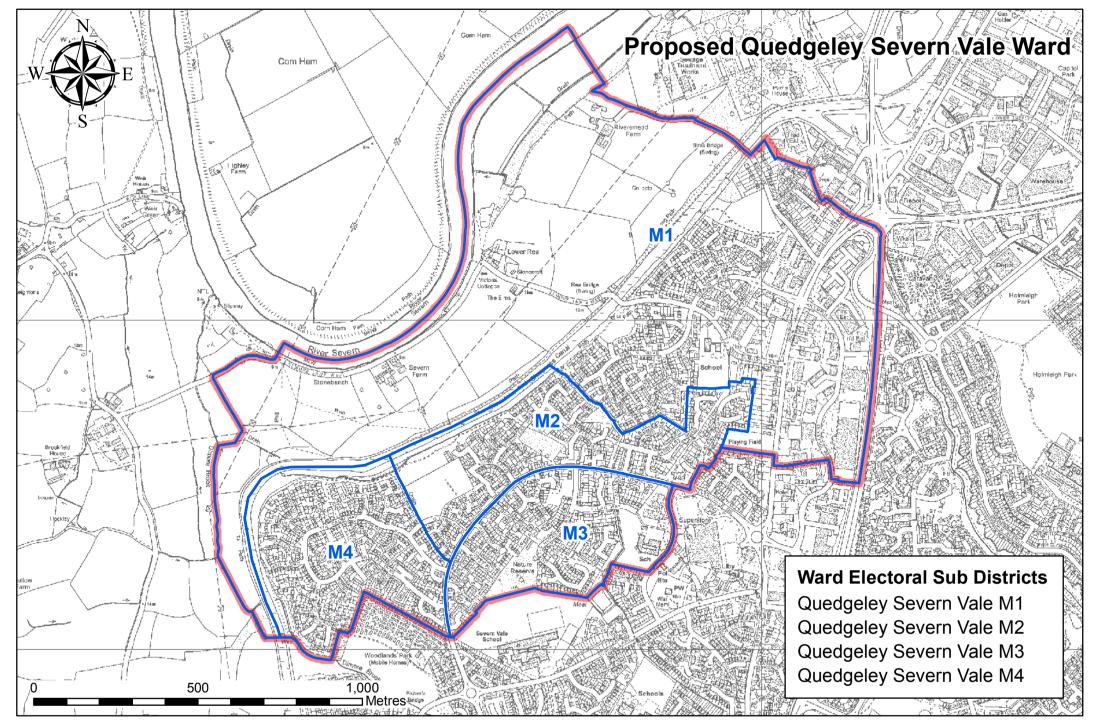
The Boundary Review Working Group propose to move the Polling District M1A out of Quedgeley Sevenvale Ward. This area will be transferred to the current Grange Ward. This area is a small development on Streamside, between the A38 and Daniels Brook. Its only connection by road is to the current Grange Ward.

Quedgeley Severnvale as a community mainly uses the nearby shopping district at Quedgeley Fieldcourt as well as Fieldcourt's community facilities. The area is linked to Gloucester Docks via the canal path and has various open areas.

There are two schools in the Ward; Meadowside Primary School which is located in Elmore Lane and Beech Green Primary School. There is a community

run pre-school club located adjacent to the school, and a private children's nursery located in the Green Farm employment area.

The Olympic Business Park is also located in the Ward . This building also houses The Spring Centre which provides help and support to children and young people with complex needs and profound or multiple disabilities.



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Existing Ward Name : Tuffley

Proposed Ward Name : Tuffley

Electorate at 2014 : 4707

Electorate at 2020 : 4720

Proposed Representation: 2 Councillors

Variance from the Average: -9.4%

(Figures based on 39 Councillors, 2020 projected figures)

<u>Detail</u>

The proposed Ward will be coterminous with the existing Ward.

The 2014 electorate of the existing Tuffley Ward is 4707 and is projected to grow to 4720 by 2020.

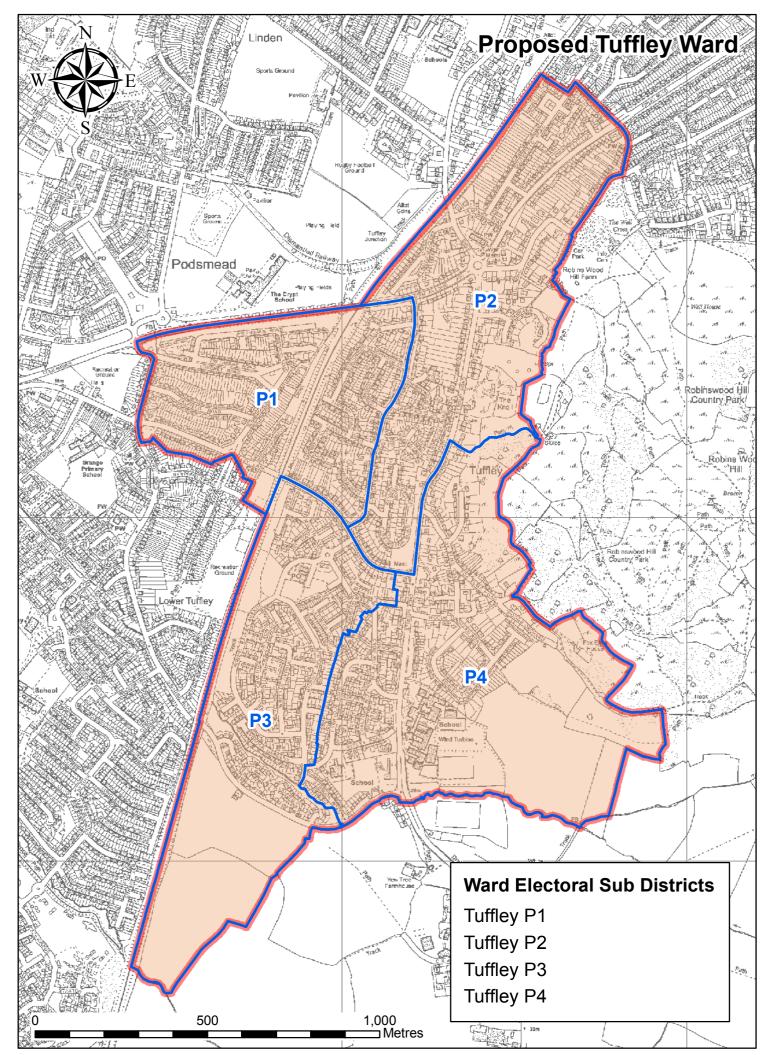
Tuffley Ward is located in the south of the City and is represented by two Councillors. It currently follows the natural boundaries of Tuffley Lane, Cole Avenue and Robinswood Country Park.

Tuffley has a community centre, library, sports centre and small shopping centres easily reached on foot from most of the area. There is a large open playing area which is available for public use.

There is one church in Tuffley, St Barnabas (Church of England) in Stroud Road the tower of this church is a local landmark,

There are two primary schools and a secondary school, St Peters Roman Catholic School in Tuffley Ward

Tuffley has good transport links to Gloucester City centre. There is a circular bus service every 10 minutes, as well as other bus routes throughout lower Tuffley. Tuffley has a football team, Tuffley Rovers F.C.



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