

Boundary changes: The North West

**Liberal Democrat proposals for boundary
changes to be presented at the lead meeting
for the North West**

Similarities between Liberal Democrat proposals and those of the Boundary Commission

- Difficulties of the North West

- Fully Accept 7 seats-

Blackburn BC, Carlisle CC, Crewe and Nantwich CC, Liverpool Riverside BC, St Helens North BC and Wigan CC. Liverpool Wavertree BC where we would suggest renaming it to Liverpool Allerton BC

- Minor alterations to 15-

Altrincham and Sale BC, Birkenhead BC, Blackpool North and Fleetwood BC, Blackpool South BC, Bootle BC, Cheadle BC, Fylde CC, Huyton and Halewood BC, Liverpool West Derby BC, Makerfield CC, St Helens South and Whiston BC, Stalybridge and Hyde CC, Stretford and Urmston BC, Wallasey BC and Widnes and Runcorn BC.



Our approach to subregions

- Very similar approach to that of the Boundary Commission
- Our proposals cross:
 - the Lancashire/Merseyside border twice in our proposed *Southport BC and West Lancashire CC seats*.
 - the Merseyside/Cheshire border twice in our proposed *Ellesmere Port & Heswall CC and Huyton & Halewood BC seats*.
 - the Greater Manchester/Lancashire border once in our proposed *Rossendale and Ramsbottom CC seat*.
- In total our proposals would cross a county boundary five times as compared to the Boundary Commission proposals that cross a county boundary four times.



Our approach to constituencies with detached parts

- We do not propose any constituencies with detached parts.
- Current Boundary Commission proposals create two constituencies with detached parts
 - 1) Mersey Banks
 - 2) Barrow in Furness



Geographical considerations

Some major geographical features cause some specific problems.

- Motorways as communication links
- The Cumbrian mountains
- Cumbrian service centres
- The Ribble
- The Mersey



Existing constituencies

- Far greater retention of existing seats under the Liberal Democrat proposals

Under Liberal Democrat proposals, of the 22 seats within the electoral quota, 10 will be retained unchanged compared to the six retained in the Boundary Commissions proposals.

We propose changes to 23 of the seats proposed by the Boundary Commission to reduce the change to present parliamentary constituencies.

In 7 of these cases our proposed alterations would enable a constituency to revert exactly to its current configuration.

- Similarities between new seats and old seats
- Fewer town splits



The split wards

- Statements of the Boundary Commission

- The two split wards

Our proposals require the splitting of two wards

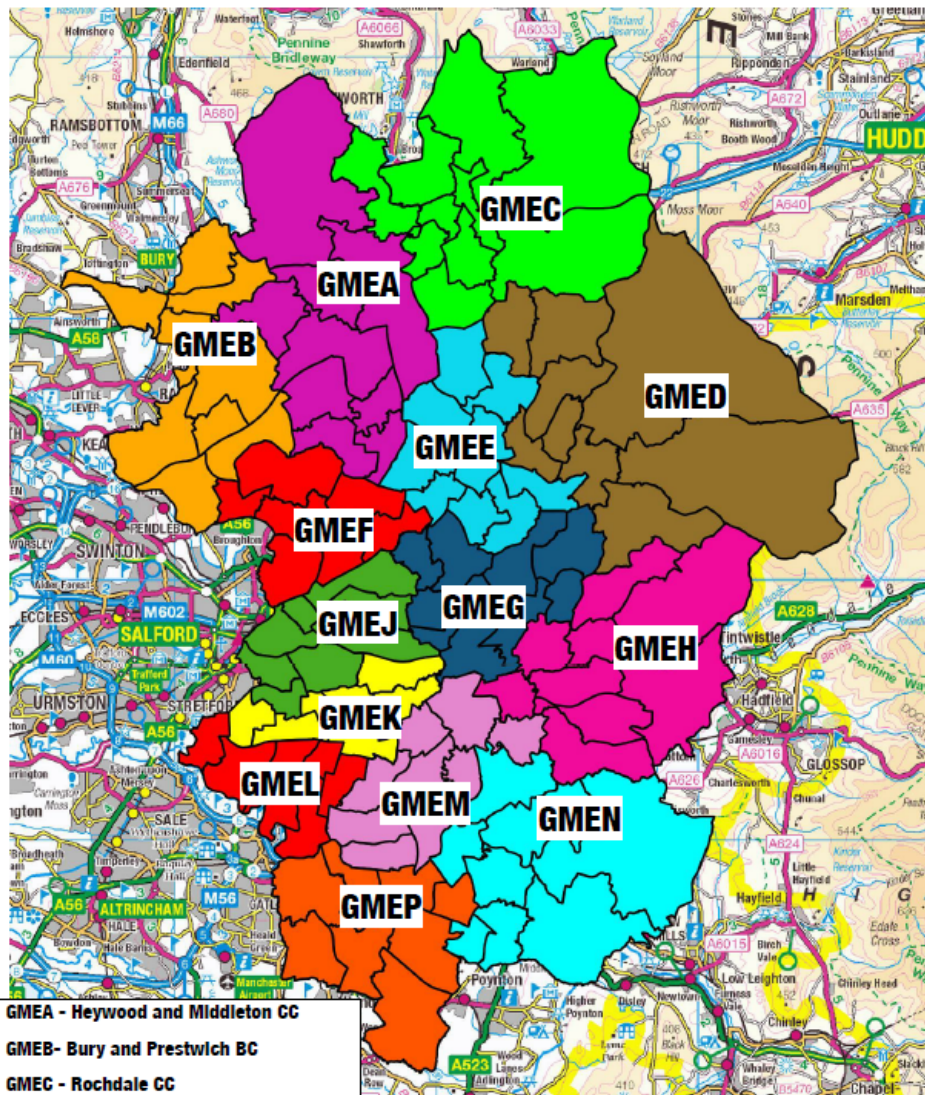
1) Gowy in the Cheshire West and Chester Council area

2) Stepping Hill in the Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council area.

- Statutory basis for a split ward



Greater Manchester East

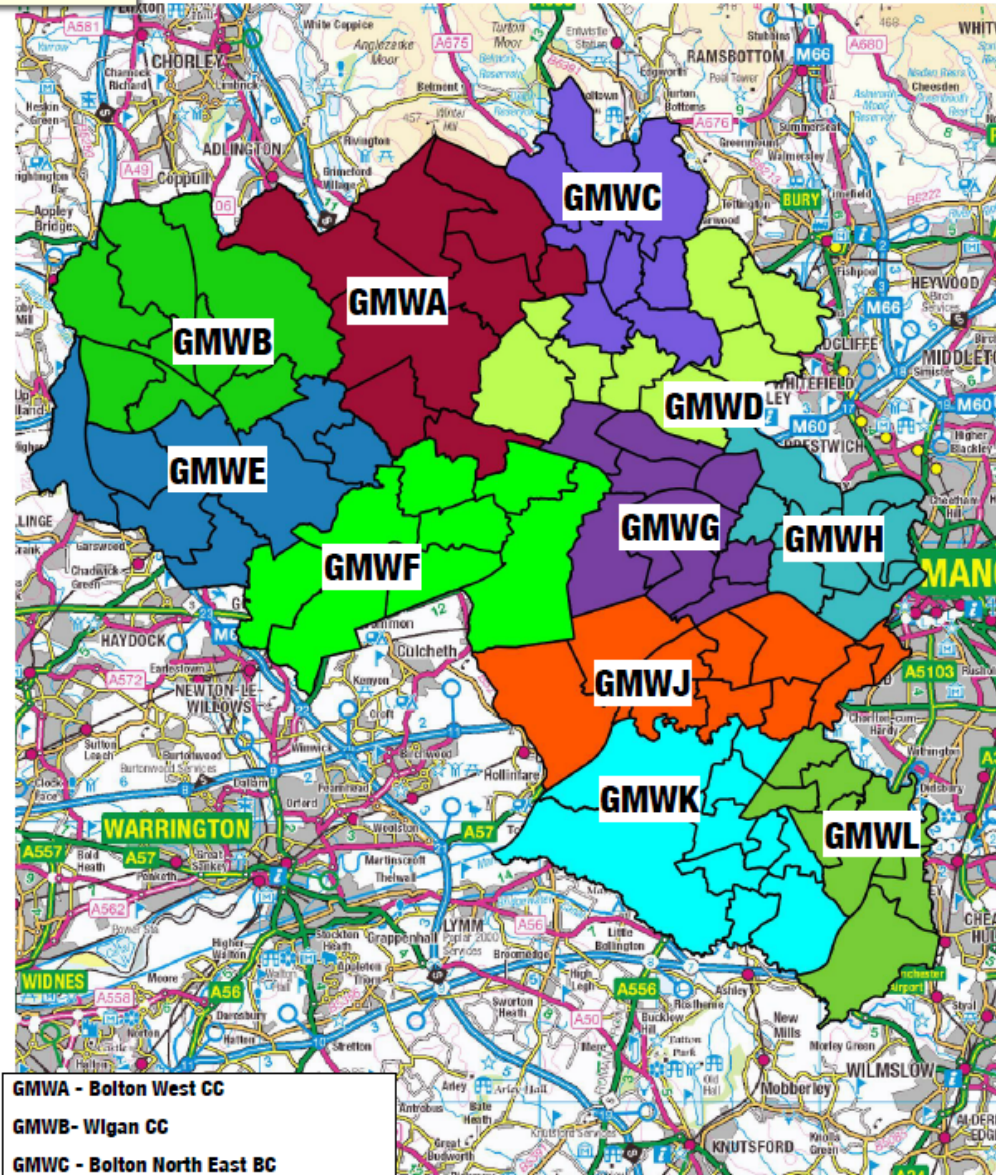


GMEA - Heywood and Middleton CC
GMEB- Bury and Prestwich BC
GMEC - Rochdale CC
GMED - Oldham East and Saddleworth CC
GMEE - Oldham West and Royton BC
GMEF - Blackley and Sedgley BC
GMEG - Ashton-under-Lyne BC
GMEH - Stalybridge and Hyde CC
GMEJ - Manchester Central BC

GMEK - Manchester Gorton BC
GMEL - Manchester Withington BC
GMEM - Stockport and Denton BC
GMEN - Hazel Grove CC
GMEP - Cheadle BC



Greater Manchester West

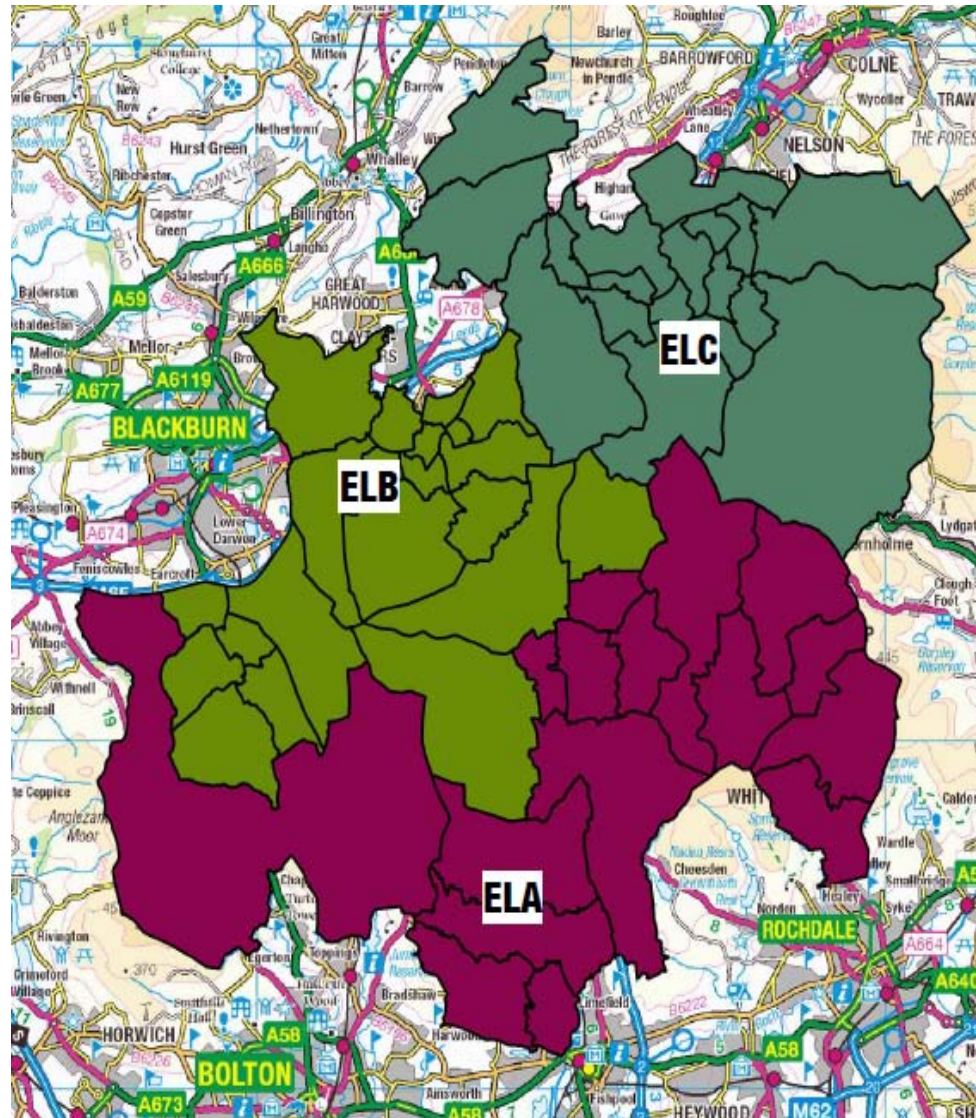


- GMWA - Bolton West CC**
- GMWB - Wigan CC**
- GMWC - Bolton North East BC**
- GMWD - Radcliffe and Farnworth BC**
- GMWE - Macclesfield CC**
- GMWF - Leigh CC**
- GMWG - Worsley and Eccles CC**
- GMWH - Salford BC**
- GMWJ - Stretford and Urmston BC**

- GMWK - Altrincham and Sale West BC**
- GMWL - Wythenshawe and Sale East BC**



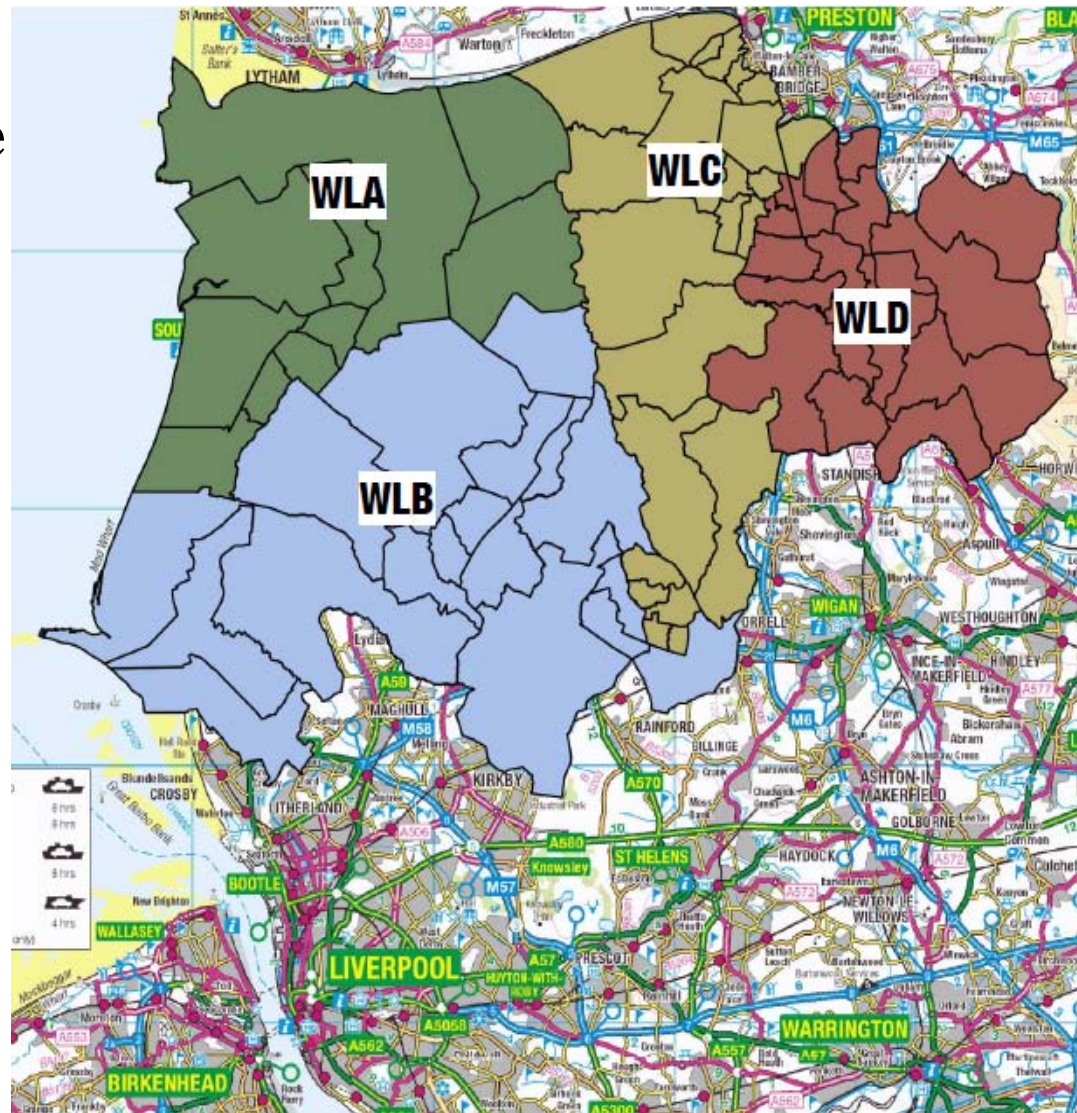
East Lancashire



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- ELA - Rossendale and Ramsbottom CC
- ELB- Darwen, Accrington and Oswaldtwistle CC
- ELC - Burnley BC

West Lancashire

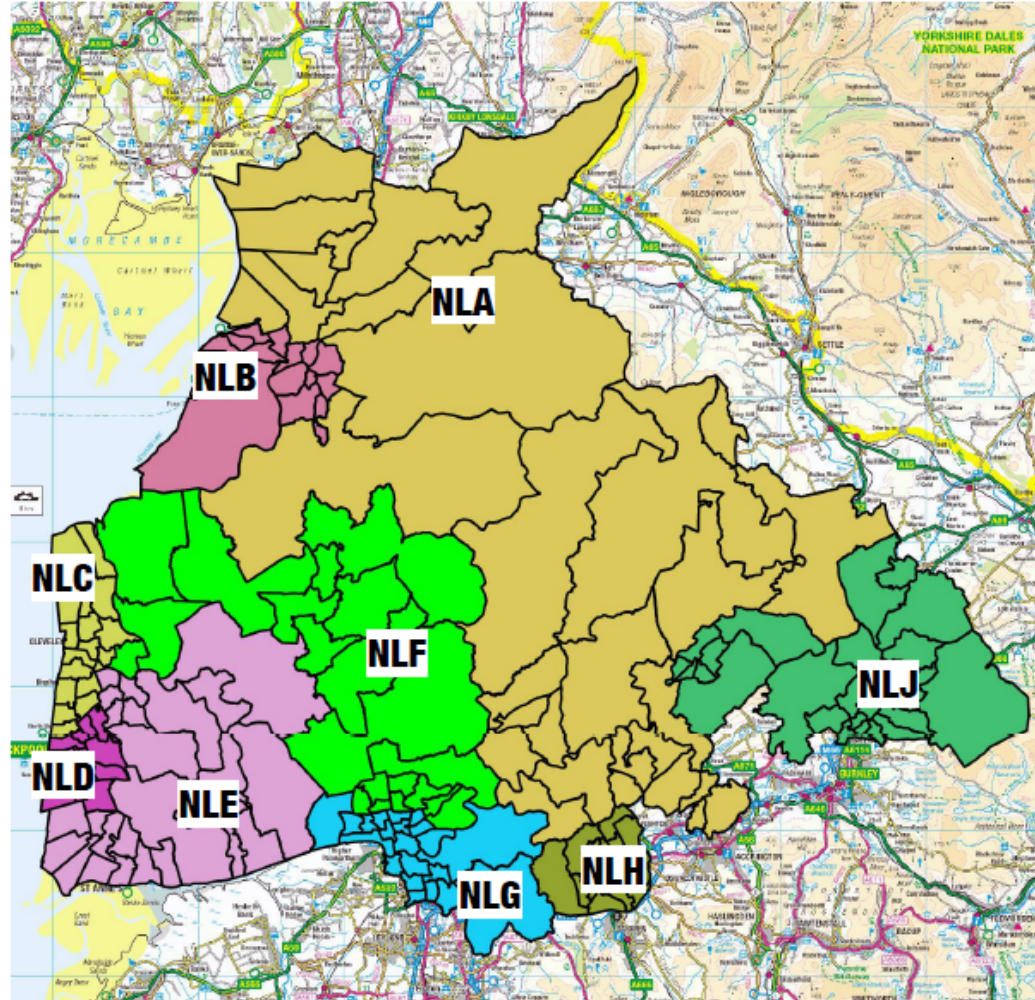


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- WLA - Southport CC**
- WLB- West Lancashire CC**
- WLC - Mid Lancashire CC**
- WLD - Chorley and Leyland CC**



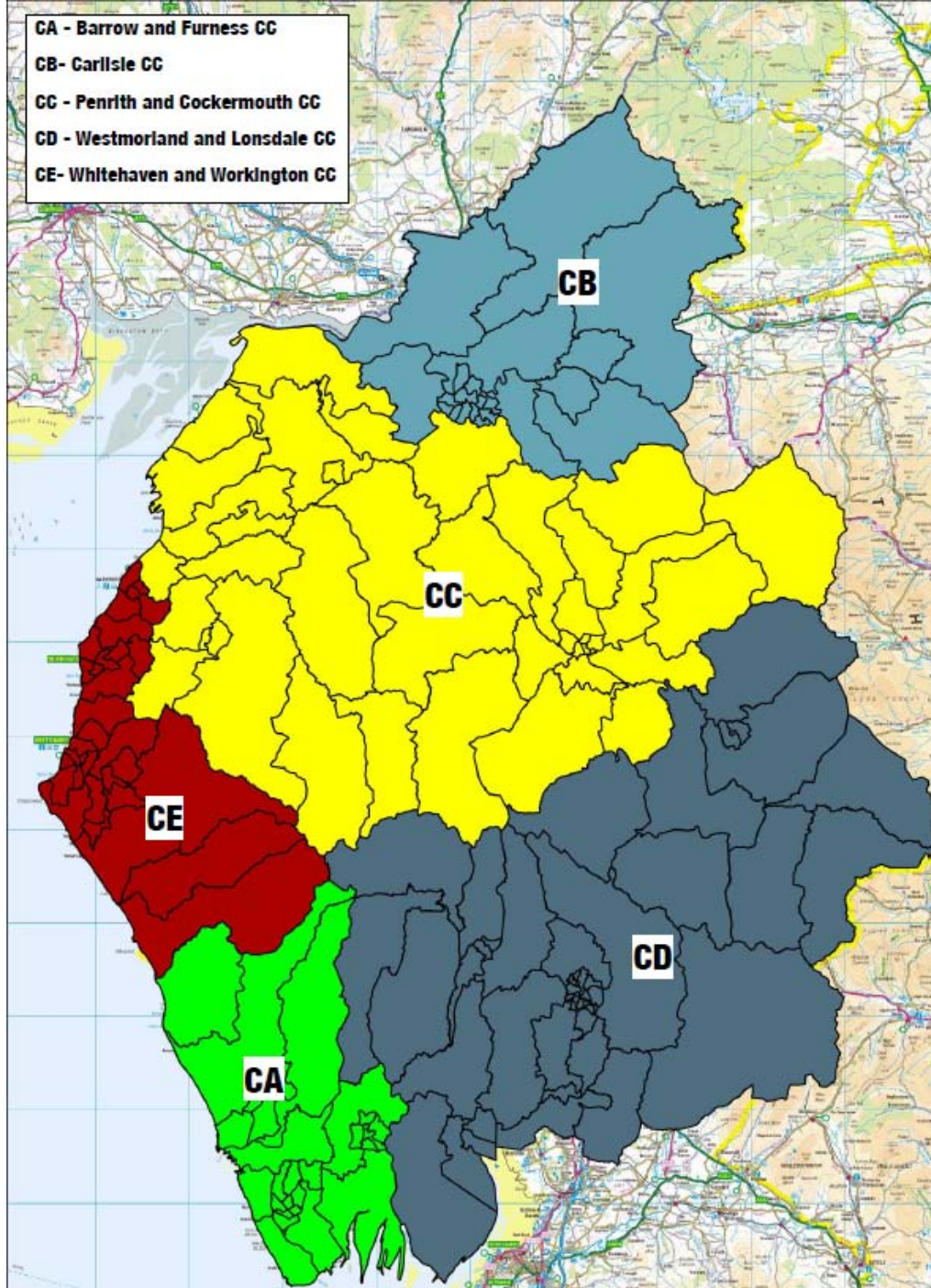
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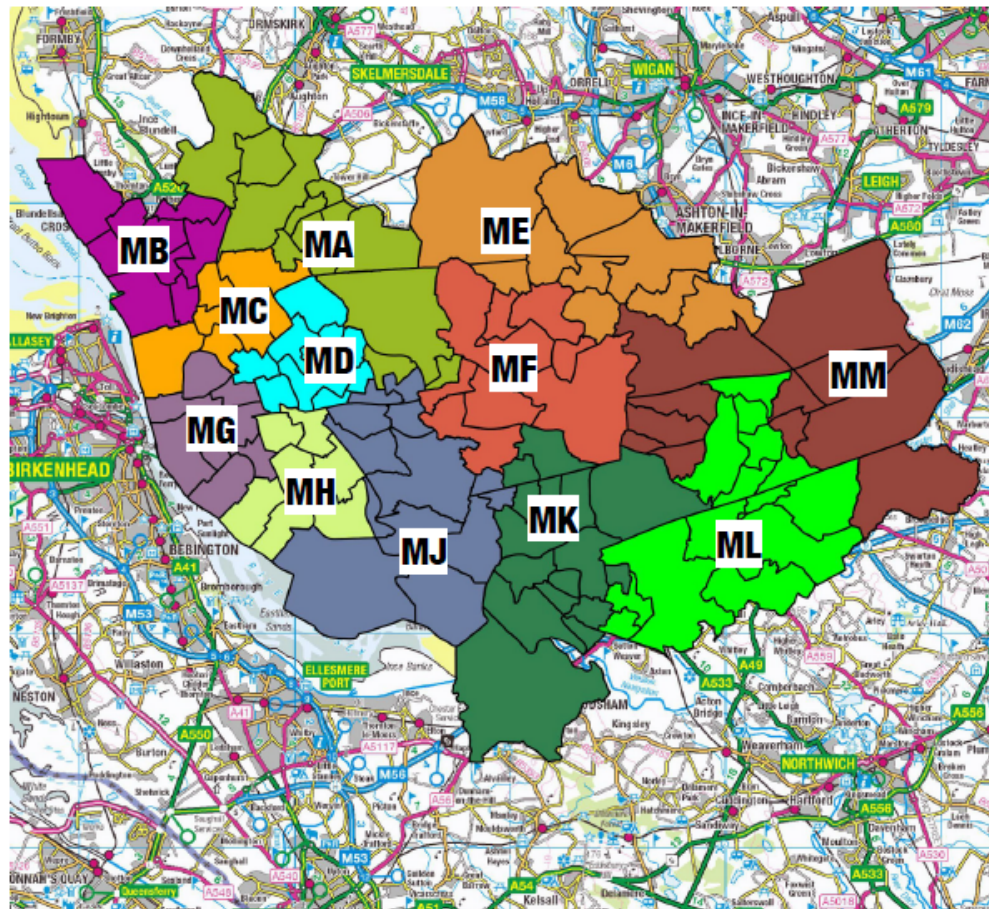
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- NLA - Valleys of Ribble and Lune CC**
- NLB- Lancaster and Morecambe CC**
- NLC - Blackpool North and Fleetwood CC**
- NLD - Blackpool South BC**
- NLE- Fylde CC**
- NLF - Wyre and Preston North CC**
- NLG - Preston South BC**
- NLH - Blackburn BC**
- NLJ - Pendle and Gilthorpe CC**

Cumbria



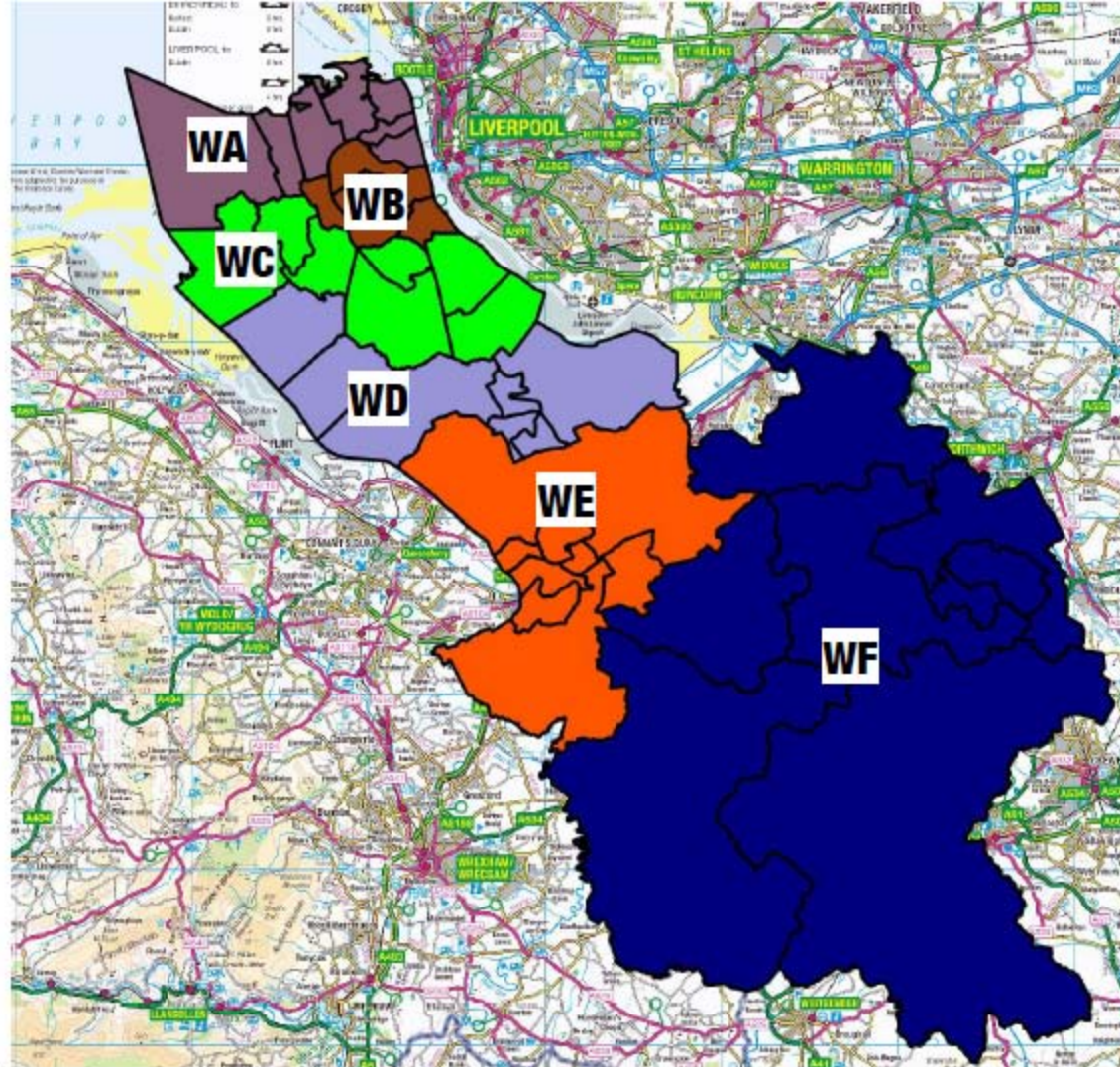
Merseyside



- MA - Kirkby and Maghull BC**
- MB - Bootle and Crosby BC**
- MC - Liverpool Walton BC**
- MD - Liverpool East BC**
- ME - St Helens North BC**
- MF - St Helens South and Whiston BC**
- MG - Liverpool Riverside BC**
- MH - Liverpool Allerton BC**
- MJ - Halewood and Huyton BC**
- MK - Halton CC**
- ML - Warrington South and Norton CC**
- MM - Warrington North and Lymm BC**



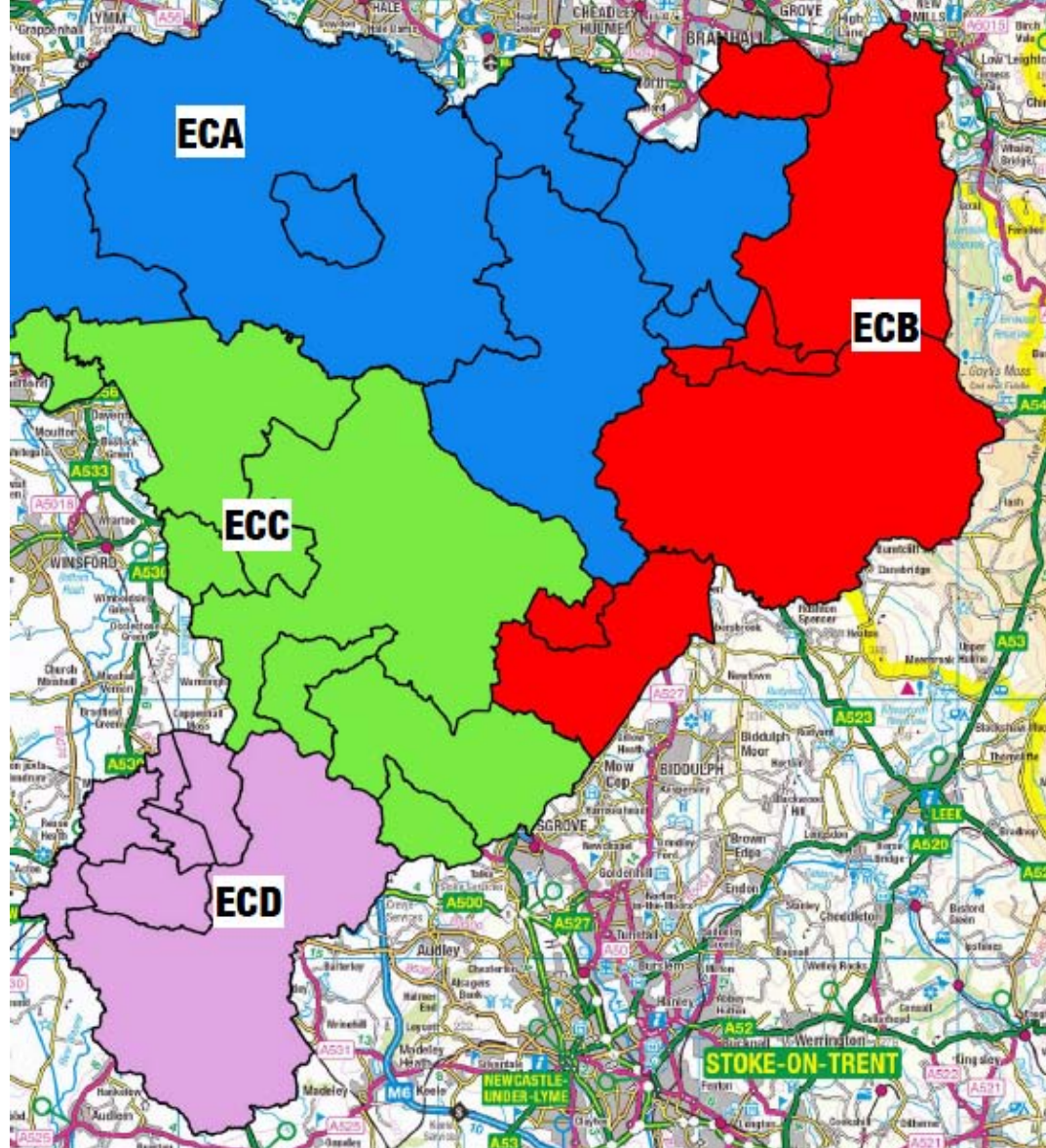
Wirral and West Cheshire



- WA - Wallasey BC**
- WB - Birkenhead BC**
- WC - Wirral South CC**
- WD - Ellesmere Port and Heswall CC**
- WE - Chester CC**
- WF - Winsford CC**



East Cheshire



- ECA - Tatton CC**
- ECB - Macclesfield and Congleton CC**
- ECC - Northwich CC**
- ECD - Crewe and Nantwich CC**