

## 2018 Review – Project Plan

### Action required

1. The Commission is invited to consider the outline project plan for 2017 which appears at Appendix A.

### Discussion

2. The project plan sets out key stages of work to be undertaken in 2017.
3. There are some uncertainties which may have a bearing on the plan up to the publication of the final report in October 2018 which can be discussed at the meeting. These include the pending transfer of responsibility for Scottish Parliament boundaries to the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland (LGBCS) and the likely timing of the next review; and other work required of the Secretariat in support of LGBCS.
4. It would be helpful to consider a schedule of BCS meetings for next year to meet the timescales indicated.

### Conclusion

5. The Commission is invited to provide any comments on the project plan for 2017.

Secretariat  
December 2016

## 2018 Review of UK Parliament constituencies Outline Project Plan for 2017

No	Task	Start	Finish	Notes
1.1	Announcement of review		24 February 2016	BCS mtg: 15 Feb
1.2	Publish Policies and Procedures Booklet		October 2016	
1.3	Meet political parties		16 May 2016 (pm)	SP elections 5May 2016 BCS mtg:16 May (am)
2.1	Develop Initial Proposals	April 2016	October 2016	BCS mtgs: 13 June; 18 July; 5 August; 5 September; 3 October
2.2	Prepare materials for publication	July 2016	October 2016	Political party conferences mid Sep – mid Oct
2.3	Prepare for public hearings and publicity for these	August 2016	August 2016	
3.1	Publication of Initial Proposals		20 October 2016	Other Commissions likely to commence in September. Portal go-live September.
3.2	Statutory Consultation	20 October	11 January 2017	5 public hearings to be held in weeks 5–10 (w/b 21 November to w/b 26 December) BCS mtgs: 7 November ; 12 December
3.3	Report to Speaker		Jan 2017	Progress report required under s.3(2B) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986
3.4	Collation of representations	11 Jan 2017	Feb/Mar 2017	
3.5	Publication of representations for scrutiny (statutory consultation)	Mar/April 2017 (4 weeks)	Mar/April 2017	
4.1	Consider representations and develop discussion papers	April 2017	June/July 2017	Easter 16 April 2017 Local Government elections May 2017
4.2	Develop and agree Revised Proposals	April 2017	Jul 2017	

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4.3	Prepare materials for publication	Mid-Jun 2017	Aug 2017	
5.1	Publication of Revised Proposals		mid Sep 2017	
5.2	Statutory Consultation	mid Sep 2017 (8 weeks)	mid Nov 2017	Pol. party confs. mid Sept – mid Oct
5.3	Collation of representations	mid Nov 2017	Jan 2018	
5.4	Report to Speaker		Jan 2018	
6.1	Consider representations and develop discussion papers	Nov 2017	January 2017	
6.2	Develop and agree Final Recommendations	Nov 2017	March 2018	Easter 1 April 2018
7.1	Preparation of report to Secretary of State	February 2018		Need to consider format/structure of report
8.1	Report to Secretary of State		Before 1 October 2018	Pol. party confs. mid Sept – mid Oct
9.1	Publish and distribute			