

Boundary Commission for Scotland

Minutes of Meeting held at Thistle House, Edinburgh

Tuesday 8 August 2017

Present

The Hon Lord Matthews, Deputy Chairman
Mrs Paula Sharp, Commissioner
Professor Ailsa Henderson, Commissioner

Isabel Drummond-Murray, Secretary
Colin Wilson, Secretariat

Apologies

Dominic Cuthbert, Ordnance Survey, Assessor
Tim Ellis, National Records of Scotland, Assessor

Minutes of the previous meeting

1. The minutes of the 6 July 2017 meeting were agreed with minor amendments.

Matters arising

2. The Secretary advised that the Boundary Commission for England had submitted an entry for the Civil Service Award "Digital" Category on behalf of the UK Commissions.

Business Update

3. The Commission noted that Afzal Khan MP had secured a slot for a Private Members' Bill relating to the 2018 Review; 2nd Reading is expected in December 2017; an update will be given at a future meeting.
4. Shonaig Macpherson, Non-Executive member of the Joint Management Board at the Scotland Office, had requested an introductory meeting with the Deputy Chair. The Secretary would confirm the arrangements in due course.

Consideration of Revised Proposals – Clackmannanshire, Falkirk, Fife, Perth & Kinross and Stirling council areas (Paper 2017/78)

5. At its meeting of 6 July 2017, the Commission had considered revised proposals for Clackmannanshire, Falkirk, Fife, Perth & Kinross and Stirling council areas (see Paper BCS 2017/72).
6. At that meeting, the Commission agreed to retain the proposed constituency boundary at Buckhaven but deferred its decision on the boundary west of

Kirkcaldy and asked the Secretariat to further develop an option that retained Clackmannanshire council area within a single constituency.

7. The Commission considered that both Option 1 and 2 retained 3 constituencies from the Initial Proposals thus minimising change; and both options addressed issues raised during the consultations, mainly opposition to the proposed Kinross-shire and Cowdenbeath constituency.
8. The Commission noted that Option 2 retained historic ties within Clackmannanshire council area and minimised the division of Stirling between constituencies. It noted that Falkirk was already split in the Initial Proposals.
9. The Commission discussed Options 1A and 2A that followed the same boundary to the west and south of Kirkcaldy to retain Kirkcaldy within a single constituency. The Commission preferred Option 2A as it also improved the constituency boundary in Dunfermline by following ward boundaries.
10. The Commission considered constituency names and agreed to rename the proposed Clackmannanshire and Dunfermline North constituency as "Clackmannanshire and Dunfermline" and Dunfermline and Mid Fife as "Mid-Fife."
11. The Commission considered Option 2A an improvement to its Initial Proposals, and agreed to adopt it as its Revised Proposals for its consultation on Revised Proposals for Clackmannanshire, Falkirk, Fife, Perth & Kinross and Stirling council areas.

Revised Proposals – Constituency names (Paper 2017/79)

12. The Commission agreed constituency names and designations for its Revised Proposals based on guidelines in its policy and procedures booklet. These are as follows:

Constituency Name (Initial Proposals)	Constituency Name (Revised Proposals)	Designation
Aberdeen North	Aberdeen North	Burgh
Aberdeen South	Aberdeen South	Burgh
Airdrie South and Shotts	Lanarkshire North East	County
Angus Glens and Dundee East Kincardine and Angus East	Angus South and Dundee East	County
Argyll, Bute and Lochaber	Argyll, Bute and Lochaber	County
Ayr and Carrick	Ayr and Carrick	County
Banff and Buchan	Banff and Buchan	County
Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk	Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk	County
Clackmannanshire and Stirling North / Dunfermline	Clackmannanshire and Dunfermline	County
Clydesdale and Eskdale	Dumfriesshire and Lanarkshire South East	County
Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Monklands East	Lanarkshire North	County
Cunninghame East	Eastwood and Loudoun	County
Cunninghame West	Arran and Cunninghame	County
Dumfries and Galloway	Galloway and Dumfries	County
Dundee	Dundee	Burgh
Dunfermline / Kinross-shire and Cowdenbeath	Fife South	County
East Kilbride, Strathaven and Lesmahagow	Lanarkshire South West	County

East Lothian	East Lothian	County
Edinburgh North and Leith	Edinburgh North and Leith	Burgh
Edinburgh Pentland and Livingston	Edinburgh Pentland and Livingston	County
Edinburgh South East	Edinburgh East	Burgh
Edinburgh South West and Central	Edinburgh Southside	Burgh
Edinburgh West	Edinburgh West	Burgh
Falkirk	Falkirk South	County
Glasgow Central	Glasgow Central	Burgh
Glasgow East	Glasgow East	Burgh
Glasgow North	Glasgow North East	Burgh
Glasgow South East	Glasgow South East	Burgh
Glasgow South West	Glasgow South West	Burgh
Glasgow West	Glasgow North West	Burgh
Glenrothes and Kirkcaldy	Mid Fife	Burgh
Gordon and Deeside	Gordon and Deeside	County
Hamilton and Motherwell	Mid Lanarkshire	Burgh
Highland North	Highland North	County
Inverclyde and Largs	Inverclyde and Erskine	County
Inverness and Skye	Highland South	County
Kilmarnock, Cumnock and Doon Valley	Kilmarnock, Cumnock and Doon Valley	County
Angus Glens and Dundee East / Kincardine and Angus East	Kincardine and Angus North	County
Clackmannanshire and Stirling North / Kinross-shire and Cowdenbeath / Stirling South	Stirlingshire and South Perthshire	County
Linlithgow	Linlithgow	County
Midlothian and Peebles	Midlothian and Upper Tweeddale	County
Milngavie and Kirkintilloch	Dunbartonshire East	County
Monklands West	Lanarkshire North West	Burgh
Moray and Nairn	Moray and Nairn	County
Na h-Eileanan an Iar	Na h-Eileanan an Iar	County
North East Fife	North East Fife	County
Orkney and Shetland	Orkney and Shetland	County
Paisley	Paisley	Burgh
Perthshire	Perth and North Perthshire	County
Rutherglen and Hamilton West	Lanarkshire West	Burgh
Clackmannanshire and Stirling North / Stirling South	Stirling and Falkirk North	County
West Dunbartonshire and Bearsden North	Dunbartonshire West	County
West Renfrewshire	Renfrewshire West	County
<i>See Appendices for map of revised proposals with proposed constituency names.</i>		

Revised Proposals – Preparation for publication of Revised Proposals (Paper 2017/80)

- The Commission agreed that the Secretariat should liaise with the Boundary Commissions for England and Wales to coordinate if possible the publication date for the Revised Proposals. It was agreed that a further media briefing be offered for the launch, with Prof Henderson agreeing to handle any media enquiries, subject to availability. The Commission considered the draft Summary of Revised Proposals booklet and poster and made some suggestions for amendments to the text and maps.

Annual Report 2016-17 (Paper 2017/82)

- The Commission noted the Annual Report and made some minor suggestions.

Finance update (Paper 2017/81)

15. The Commission noted the finance update.

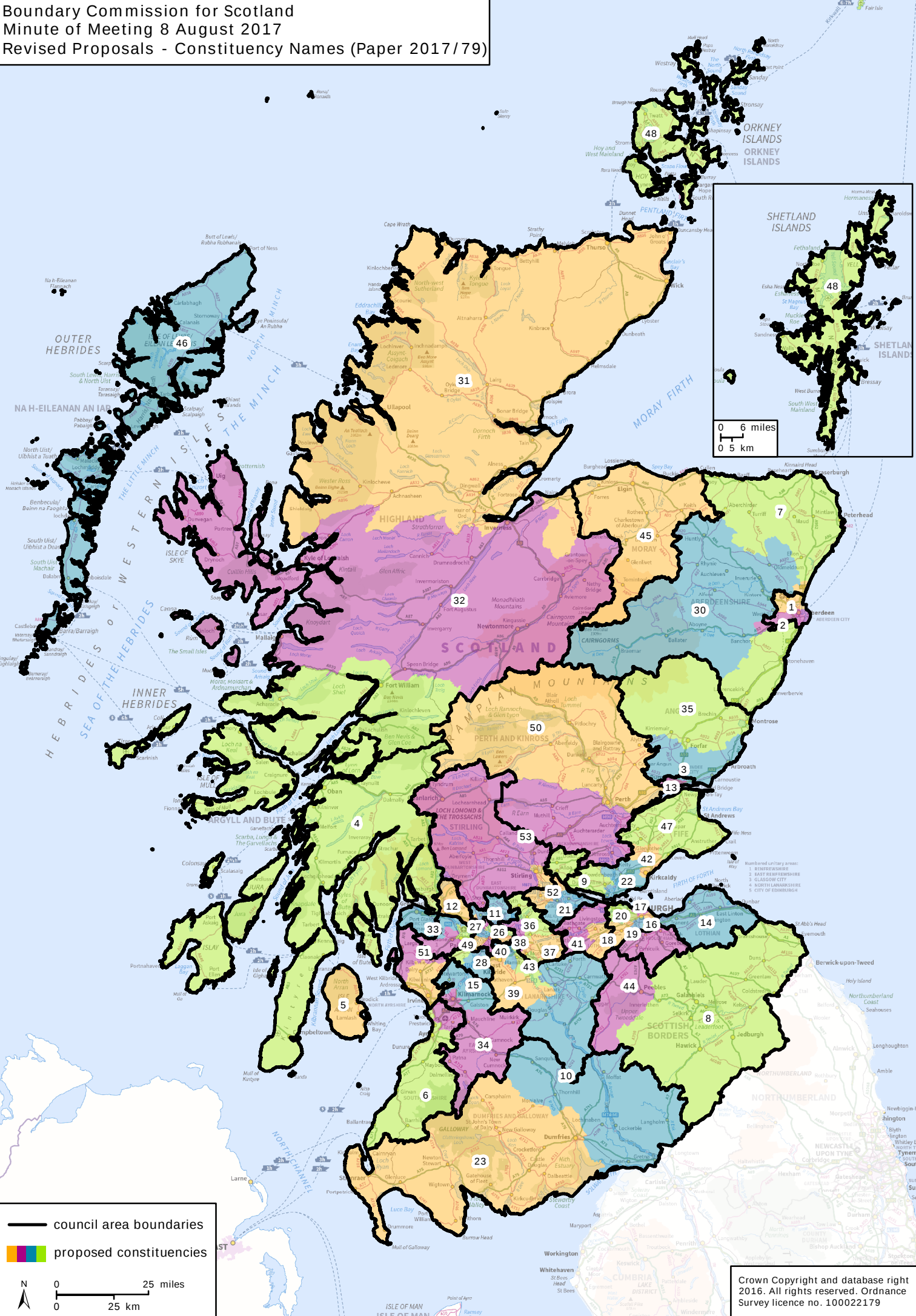
Any other business

16. The next Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday 4 September 2017.

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1	Aberdeen North
2	Aberdeen South
3	Angus South and Dundee East
4	Argyll, Bute and Lochaber
5	Arran and Cunninghame
6	Ayr and Carrick
7	Banff and Buchan
8	Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk
9	Clackmannanshire and Dunfermline
10	Dumfriesshire and Lanarkshire South East
11	Dunbartonshire East
12	Dunbartonshire West
13	Dundee
14	East Lothian
15	Eastwood and Loudoun
16	Edinburgh East
17	Edinburgh North and Leith
18	Edinburgh Pentland and Livingston
19	Edinburgh Southside
20	Edinburgh West
21	Falkirk South
22	Fife South
23	Galloway and Dumfries
24	Glasgow Central
25	Glasgow East
26	Glasgow North East
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35	Kincardine and Angus North
36	Lanarkshire North
37	Lanarkshire North East
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41	Linlithgow
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