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Executive summary

This is the report on our 2023 Review of UK Parliament Constituencies, conducted between 2021 and 2023. The review has been carried out under the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986, most recently amended by the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020.

The legislation for this review means that there will be 57 constituencies in Scotland in place of the current 59. This reflects changes in the electorate across the whole of the UK. The overall number of UK Parliament MPs remains at 650. Two of the constituencies are specified in the legislation as Orkney and Shetland constituency and Na h-Eileanan an Iar constituency (the Western Isles). We are recommending the boundaries for the remaining 55 constituencies, which cover Scotland's 29 mainland council areas. Where we refer to mainland council areas or mainland constituencies we mean all those other than the protected constituencies.

Each constituency must have an area of no more than 13,000 square kilometres. Each constituency must have an electorate within 5% of the average for a UK mainland constituency, 73,393: for this review this means an electorate no fewer than 69,724 and no more than 77,062.

There are two exemptions that allow a constituency to have an electorate of fewer than 69,724:

- it is either the Na h-Eileanan an Iar constituency or the Orkney and Shetland constituency; or
- its area exceeds 12,000 square kilometres and we are satisfied that it is not reasonably possible for it to have an electorate of at least 69,724.

None of our recommended constituencies exceeds 12,000 square kilometres.

Our recommendations include eight mainland constituencies unchanged from existing constituencies: Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock; Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk; Central Ayrshire; East Renfrewshire; Kilmarnock and Loudoun; Midlothian; North Ayrshire and Arran; and West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine constituencies.

The new requirements have resulted in 18 constituencies crossing council boundaries. Of the recommended mainland constituencies, 37 are contained within a single council area compared with 48 of the existing mainland constituencies.

Our recommended constituencies are summarised in Chapter 5. Maps of each constituency appear in Appendix G.

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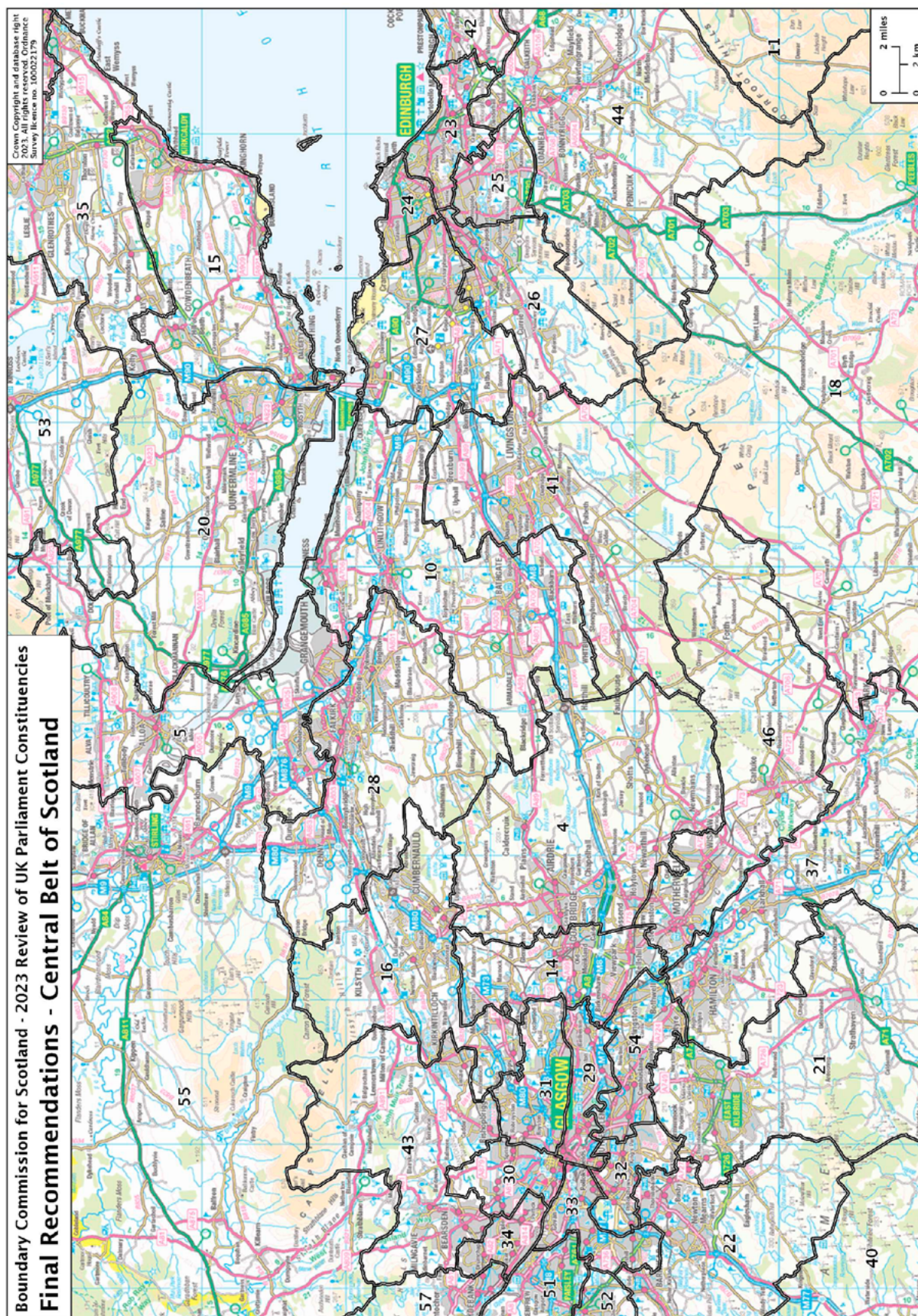
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1 Introduction

Boundary Commission for Scotland

- 1.1 We are responsible for keeping UK Parliament constituencies in Scotland under review and making recommendations to Ministers, as required by the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986. We conduct our reviews independently of political considerations or influence and according to the rules established in the legislation.
- 1.2 There is more information about our work on our website www.bcomm-scotland.independent.gov.uk.
- 1.3 Our membership during this review is listed at the beginning of this report.

This report

- 1.4 This report presents our Final Recommendations from our 2023 Review of UK Parliament Constituencies.
- 1.5 The legislation requires us to submit this report before 1 July 2023.
- 1.6 The legislation for this review means that there will be 57 constituencies in Scotland instead of the current 59. Two of the constituencies are specified in the legislation as Orkney and Shetland constituency and Na h-Eileanan an Iar constituency (the Western Isles). We are recommending the remaining 55 constituencies which cover Scotland's 29 mainland council areas. Where we refer to mainland council areas or mainland constituencies we mean all those other than the protected constituencies.
- 1.7 Our recommended constituencies are summarised in Chapter 5. Maps of each constituency appear in Appendix G.
- 1.8 In this report, we refer to documents which we have published on our website. Paper copies are available on request.

2 This review

Timing

- 2.1 On 5 January 2021, the review was announced simultaneously in each of the four constituent parts of the United Kingdom by the respective Boundary Commissions.
- 2.2 Each Commission is required to submit its report before 1 July 2023. The four Commissions liaised with each other on progress during the review. Decisions about the review in Scotland, however, are our responsibility alone.
- 2.3 The period required to undertake the review is dictated by the size of the task, our procedures and the legislation. Our procedures are intended to allow public engagement and full expression of opinions about the proposals at each stage.

Legislation

- 2.4 The legislation governing this review is the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986, most recently amended by the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020. The full text of the 1986 Act as it applies to this review is published at www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1986/56/contents.
- 2.5 The 2020 Act substantially amended the 1986 Act. As a result, this review was conducted within a different legislative framework from the review that determined the existing constituency boundaries. This included the length of our consultation stages and timing of our future reviews.
- 2.6 The legislation specifies that there are to be 650 constituencies in total, with each constituency returning a single member to the United Kingdom Parliament.
- 2.7 The legislation specifies two Scottish island constituencies:
 - a constituency covering the combined extent of Orkney Islands Council area and Shetland Islands Council area; and
 - a constituency covering Na h-Eileanan an Iar Council area.
- 2.8 In England and Wales, the legislation specifies that the Isle of Wight will have two constituencies and Ynys Môn (Anglesey) one constituency.
- 2.9 No constituency is permitted to be larger than 13,000 square kilometres.
- 2.10 The United Kingdom electoral quota, 73,393, is the total electorate for the United Kingdom excluding the five island constituencies, divided by 645, which is the number of constituencies outside those areas. In simple terms, the United Kingdom electoral quota is the average electorate per mainland constituency across the United Kingdom.
- 2.11 Every constituency must have an electorate that is no less than 95% and no more than 105% of the United Kingdom electoral quota, with specified exceptions:
 - the island constituencies listed above; and
 - any constituency larger than 12,000 square kilometres which may in specific circumstances have an electorate smaller than the usual minimum limit.
- 2.12 The legislation states that we may take into account, as we think fit, other factors, namely:
 - special geographical considerations, including in particular the size, shape and accessibility of a constituency;

- boundaries of council areas and electoral wards (we took account of the ward boundaries in place at the start of the review from 2017);
- existing constituency boundaries; and
- any local ties which would be broken by changes in constituencies.

2.13 How we took these factors into account is described in Chapter 3.

Electorate

2.14 The legislation specifies that this review use the electoral register from 2 March 2020. The legislation makes no provision for us to take account of any changes in the electorate after 2 March 2020.

2.15 The definition of electorate is the total number of people whose names appear on the register of parliamentary electors. This definition includes “attainers”, who are those individuals on the register who became of voting age after 1 March 2020 and before 2 March 2021. For this review, the electorate data for each part of the United Kingdom is shown in Table 2.1:

Table 2.1 – United Kingdom electorate data

Country	Electorate	Specified island electorates	Balance
England	39,860,421	111,716 (Isle of Wight)	39,748,705
Scotland	4,079,612	21,177 (Na h-Eileanan an Iar) 34,824 (Orkney Islands and Shetland Islands)	4,023,611
Wales	2,322,677	52,415 (Ynys Môn (Anglesey))	2,270,262
Northern Ireland	1,295,688		1,295,688
Total	47,558,398	220,132	47,338,266

2.16 The resulting United Kingdom electoral quota is 73,393 electors. This is the total mainland electorate of 47,338,266 divided by the 645 mainland constituencies.

2.17 To be no less than 95% and no more than 105% of the United Kingdom electoral quota, the electorate of a constituency has to be no fewer than 69,724 and no more than 77,062.

2.18 These figures define the limits for constituency design throughout this review, and are therefore essential data for the review.

2.19 The electorate data comprised counts of electors for each electoral ward and council area and is published on our website.

2.20 We ensure all constituencies are within the electoral quota.

2.21 We have published on our website information on our method for calculating electorates in proposed constituencies where we divided an electoral ward between constituencies. We have had to divide some wards because multi-member wards in Scotland have relatively large electorates.

Allocation of constituencies

2.22 The legislation specifies the method for the allocation of constituencies to each of the four constituent parts of the United Kingdom.

2.23 The number of constituencies allocated to Scotland is in addition to the two island constituencies, the number of constituencies allocated to England is in addition to the two Isle of Wight constituencies and in addition to Ynys Môn (Anglesey) in Wales. In addition to these island constituencies, each of Scotland, England, Northern Ireland and Wales is allocated a number of the remaining 645 constituencies in proportion to their electorate. Scotland's allocation of constituencies for this review is 55. When added to the two Scottish island constituencies, this makes a total of 57 constituencies in Scotland.

2.24 The allocation of constituencies for this review is shown in Table 2.2:

Table 2.2 – Allocation of constituencies

Country	Electorate	Allocated	Islands	Total
England	39,860,421	541	2	543
Scotland	4,079,612	55	2	57
Wales	2,322,677	31	1	32
Northern Ireland	1,295,688	18		18
Total	47,558,398	645	5	650

Areas of constituencies

2.25 The legislation requires constituencies not to exceed an area of 13,000 square kilometres. It exempts constituencies from the minimum electorate requirement if they exceed 12,000 square kilometres and it is not reasonably possible to meet the minimum electorate requirement. It is only in Highland Council area that this exemption could apply.

2.26 We use geographical information system software, in conjunction with map data from Ordnance Survey. This allows us to calculate the area of any proposed constituency with a high degree of precision.

2.27 In our area calculations, we use the "Extent of the Realm". This includes foreshore (the area between high water and low water), inland areas of water, and any statutory seaward extensions of council areas. These statutory seaward extensions occur around ports and harbours: the largest for a mainland council area in Scotland is in Aberdeen City and is less than 20 square kilometres. Apart from these statutory seaward extensions, we do not include areas of sea in our calculations of constituency areas.

Liaison with political parties

2.28 In June 2021, we met with those political parties with Members of Parliament representing Scottish constituencies to explain our intended approach to the review, and to discuss their participation in the review process.

Publication of meeting papers

- 2.29 We published all of our meeting papers and minutes on a staged basis during the review.
- 2.30 We published the minutes and meeting papers relating to the development of our Initial Proposals when we commenced the consultation on our Initial Proposals. We published the minutes and meeting papers relating to the development of our Revised Proposals when we commenced the consultation on our Revised Proposals. We will publish the more recent papers for this review once this report is published for the general public.
- 2.31 We believe that publishing this information:
- demonstrates that the Commission is operating in an open and transparent manner;
 - identifies options which the Commission has considered; and
 - improves understanding of the Commission's reasons for choosing one option over another.

Representations

- 2.32 When we published proposals for public consultation, we received representations from a range of interests, including political parties, local authorities, elected representatives, community groups and members of the public.
- 2.33 We found representations which opposed our proposals particularly valuable if they included an alternative suggestion which took into account local ties, the legislative requirements for the review and our need to take a consistent approach throughout Scotland.
- 2.34 We accepted representations in writing, including email and the reply facility provided on our website. The Public Hearings provided an opportunity to make a representation orally. We did not accept representations via social media and asked those who contacted us in that way to submit their views formally via our consultation site, by email or by post.
- 2.35 We could not consider representations about issues that are not within our remit or the legislative framework for this review. These included representations which opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland and those which sought to retain existing constituencies, or design new constituencies, outwith the electoral quota.
- 2.36 Prior to our meetings, our Secretariat summarised the representations received and the issues that they raised and these summaries were included in the papers for our consideration. In addition, we had access to full copies of all of the representations. This approach allowed us to consider thoroughly all of the issues raised.
- 2.37 We published all of the representations received on our consultation website www.bcs2023review.com.

3 Our approach

Principles for constituency design

- 3.1 The legislation sets the specific requirements for constituency design in this review, www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1986/56/contents. Within those requirements, we have discretion on how to design constituencies.
- 3.2 We have taken account of existing boundaries when designing new constituencies. However, because of the legislation governing this review, such as the requirement for electorates to be within 5% variance from the electoral quota, it has often not been possible for our proposed constituencies to fit with other boundaries.
- 3.3 In general, we aimed to design as many constituencies as practicable that do not cross a council area boundary and to take into consideration local geography (for example; transport links, other electoral boundaries, administrative boundaries and natural features).

Grouping of council areas

- 3.4 We aimed to minimise the number of constituencies that combined parts of more than one council area. Firstly, we believe the electorate understand and accept the value of council areas as part of the administrative landscape. Secondly, we recognise that elections are organised by local government officials, and that having constituencies that are wholly contained in a single council area simplifies that task. Thirdly, we are aware that political parties take account of council area boundaries when organising themselves locally.
- 3.5 We calculated the theoretical entitlement to constituencies for each council area by dividing the council area electorate by the United Kingdom electoral quota. Details of the electorate of each council area, and the corresponding entitlement to constituencies, are given in Appendix B.
- 3.6 We examined a number of ways of combining the 29 mainland council areas into groups so that a whole number of constituencies could be designed covering each group. This assisted us in minimising the number of constituencies comprising parts of more than one council area.
- 3.7 We noted that our approach to constituency design in Highland Council area could impact on constituency design elsewhere in Scotland, since it is possible to design one or two constituencies there with an area of more than 12,000 square kilometres and an electorate of less than the otherwise required minimum for this review.
- 3.8 Designing such constituencies in Highland Council area would use the exception to the minimum electorate rule. It would result in the number of constituencies available to cover the rest of Scotland being reduced. This would lead to the other constituencies in Scotland having, on average, a larger electorate and limit our ability to accommodate the other factors for constituency design allowed for in the legislation.
- 3.9 We can recommend a constituency of more than 12,000 square kilometres with an electorate that is below the minimum only if we are “satisfied that it is not reasonably possible for the constituency to comply” with the usual minimum electorate requirement.

- 3.10 When we examined possible constituency designs for Highland Council area, we concluded that it was reasonably possible to design constituencies covering that council area whose electorate complied with the minimum electorate limit specified in the legislation.
- 3.11 Having reached that conclusion, we decided on our preferred approach to grouping council areas for the purpose of constituency design. We noted that our intended groupings of council areas could only be confirmed once we examined detailed constituency designs and had concluded that these constituency designs were acceptable.
- 3.12 Our approach to grouping council areas for constituency design is shown in Map 3.1. In each group the entitlement, when rounded to the nearest whole number, gives the number of constituencies which can be designed in such a way that each constituency is within the electoral quota.
- 3.13 Details of our deliberations for each grouping are in Appendix A.

Design factors

- 3.14 As indicated in 2.12, the legislation lists a series of factors which we may take into account when designing constituencies, if and to such an extent as we think fit. They are: special geographical considerations; local government boundaries; existing constituency boundaries; and local ties.
- 3.15 These factors are subordinate to the requirements on electorate and area.

Special geographical considerations

- 3.16 Wherever possible and relevant, we took into account special geographical considerations. This factor informed our thinking in respect of constituency design throughout Scotland.
- 3.17 The areas where special geographical considerations are most likely to arise are the sparsely populated areas of the islands, and north and west Scotland. The numerical limits on electorate and constituency area which apply in this review limited our ability to adjust constituency design to reflect these special geographical circumstances.

Local government boundaries

- 3.18 The legislation allows us to take account of local government boundaries as they existed on the “most recent ordinary council-election day” before the review date, which was 4 May 2017.
- 3.19 We did take account of ward boundaries when proposing constituencies, as well as other current and historic electoral boundaries, administrative boundaries and natural features.
- 3.20 Multi-member wards with large electorates combined with the requirement that the electorate of each constituency is within 5% of the United Kingdom electoral quota, made it impracticable in this review to create constituencies which reflect local ties and special geographical considerations simply by aggregating electoral wards.
- 3.21 Where we divided an electoral ward between constituencies, we needed to calculate the electorate of the electoral ward in each constituency. We developed

a methodology for doing this using postcodes and individual addresses which is available on our website.

- 3.22 We took account of the ward boundaries in place at 4 May 2017, in line with the legislation. New wards were introduced from May 2022 for Na h-Eileanan an Iar, North Ayrshire, Orkney Islands and Shetland Islands Council areas and we explored using these during the development of our Revised Proposals if consultation responses suggested adopting them to improve local ties. However, we did so on the merits of their being better indicators of local ties, rather than because they are the new ward boundaries.
- 3.23 In this review, we aimed to make proposals for constituencies which were wholly within a single council area. Where that was not practicable, we aimed to propose constituencies which were wholly within two or (if necessary) three neighbouring council areas.
- 3.24 In some cases, a desire to fit within council area boundaries and a desire to fit within electoral wards conflict. For example, there were cases where it was only possible to design a constituency made up of whole electoral wards by including wards from more than one council area.

Existing constituencies

- 3.25 The existing 59 UK Parliament constituencies in Scotland came into force in 2005, resulting from our Fifth Periodical Review of Parliamentary Constituencies. There have been no alterations to the constituencies since then.
- 3.26 The existing constituencies were used in the General Elections of 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017 and 2019.
- 3.27 They include Orkney and Shetland, which was a constituency specified in the legislation governing the Fifth Review, and Na h-Eileanan an Iar, which we had recommended as a constituency, despite its low electorate, because of its geographical circumstances.
- 3.28 The 2 March 2020 electorates of the existing constituencies, apart from the island constituencies, varied from 46,924 to 88,506. Eighteen of the existing mainland constituencies were within 5% of the electoral quota for this review.
- 3.29 Even where an existing constituency had an electorate that was within the permitted range, it was not always possible to retain it, because of changes required to surrounding constituencies.
- 3.30 Maps of the existing UK Parliament constituencies in Scotland appear at Appendix C.
- 3.31 There are 73 Scottish Parliament constituencies. As there are to be 57 UK Parliament constituencies in Scotland, it is not in general possible for their boundaries to coincide. However, the boundaries of existing Scottish Parliament constituencies are a factor which we took into account.

Local ties

- 3.32 Local ties exist between many different areas, settlements and communities in Scotland. Our approaches of minimising the number of constituencies which cross council area boundaries and trying to use complete wards when designing constituencies are intended to help us reflect local ties.

3.33 When we have divided an electoral ward between constituencies, we have done so using community council boundaries or clear geographic features such as major roads, railway lines and waterways in a way that we believe reflects local ties as far as possible.

Naming and designation of constituencies

3.34 We used the following broad guidelines when proposing names for constituencies:

- to use an existing constituency name where there is a successor constituency that is recognisably similar;
- to prefer constituency names that are short rather than attempt to describe an area exhaustively;
- to ensure that names of UK Parliament constituencies in general differ from those of Scottish Parliament constituencies where an appropriate and distinct alternative is available. Relying on word order alone (e.g. “Glasgow East” and “East Glasgow”) or conjunctions (e.g. “North and East Fife” and “North East Fife”) is generally not a sufficient difference;
- not to place compass points at the beginning of a name in order to help make an alphabetically sorted list easier to use. We make an exception if a constituency is named after a council area or town which has a compass point at the start of its name (such as East Lothian); and
- to typically avoid the same name for a constituency and a council area unless the two are coterminous.

3.35 We took account of local views when recommending names for constituencies.

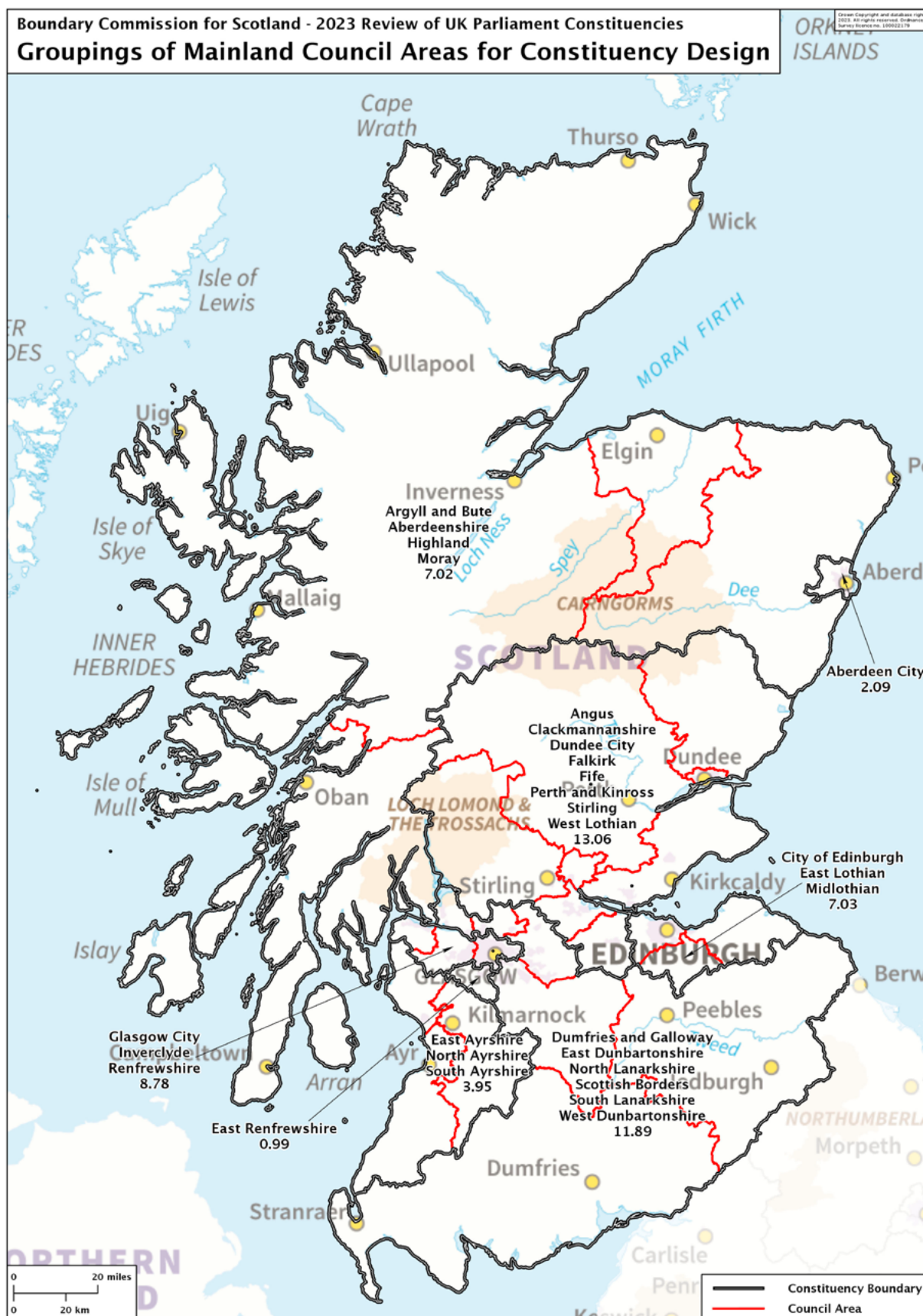
3.36 We are required to designate each constituency as either a burgh or a county constituency, but the legislation does not define these terms. The designation affects allowable candidate expenditure at elections. We have designated constituencies comprising predominantly urban areas as burgh constituencies and constituencies which are predominantly rural as county constituencies. For this review, the largest burgh constituency covered 107 square kilometres and the smallest county constituency covered 142 square kilometres.

Postcodes

3.37 We make extensive use of postcodes during our reviews as a means of counting electors within proposed constituencies. This is possible because the electoral registers include postcodes for electors, and because of the availability of a boundary dataset depicting the extent of each postcode.

3.38 However, postcode boundaries are not suitable as building blocks for constituencies. They are designed by Royal Mail for the purpose of delivering mail. As a result, they often do not follow the type of physical, natural or administrative features which make good constituency boundaries.

Map 3.1 – Groupings of Mainland Council Areas for Constituency Design



4 Review stages

Initial Proposals

- 4.1 We developed our Initial Proposals at our meetings between April and August 2021. Details of our Initial Proposals can be found in the appropriate sections of Appendix A, and in the minutes and papers of our meetings which are available on our website.
- 4.2 We followed the established practice of publishing Initial Proposals for public consultation without first consulting with other interested bodies.

Initial consultation

- 4.3 We published our Initial Proposals on 14 October 2021. The required statutory consultation period of eight weeks lasted until 8 December 2021.
- 4.4 At all stages of our consultation, we put great importance on widely publicising our proposals in order to give as many people and organisations as possible the opportunity to comment on them. We wrote to all key stakeholders, held a press conference and displayed our proposals within at least one display point in each proposed constituency.
- 4.5 We made extensive use of maps in our published material, since we believe they provide the best means of explaining our proposals.
- 4.6 We were keen to hear opinions in support of and in opposition to our proposals and outlined this in our consultation documents.
- 4.7 We published our proposals on our website and consultation website which allowed users to view our proposals on an interactive map and to submit comments to us.

Secondary consultation

- 4.8 On 10 February 2022, we published on our website the representations received during our initial consultation and invited written comment on them during the statutory secondary consultation period of six weeks.
- 4.9 Before publishing representations, we removed personal contact information, such as addresses, phone numbers and email addresses, in line with our privacy policy.
- 4.10 The secondary consultation helped us to evaluate representations and the evidence which they contained. It allowed us to get a sense of widespread concerns and of areas where there were contradictory views.

Public Hearings

- 4.11 During February and March 2022, as part of the secondary consultation on our Initial Proposals, we held five Public Hearings around Scotland (in Edinburgh, Glasgow, Inverness, Oban and Perth), which was the maximum number allowed. We published transcripts of all Public Hearings on our website. More information about the Public Hearings is in Appendix D.

Representations

- 4.12 We received 1,106 representations during the initial consultation period. We received 184 further representations during the secondary consultation and at the Public Hearings. Further detail of our consideration of representations can be found in the appropriate sections of Appendix A.

Revised Proposals

- 4.13 We considered all representations and the transcripts of the Public Hearings. Having done so, we developed our Revised Proposals at our meetings between May and July 2022. Details of our Revised Proposals can be found in the appropriate sections of Appendix A, and in the minutes and papers of our meetings which are available on our website.
- 4.14 From our Initial Proposals we made changes to 35 constituency boundaries, three constituency names and 20 constituency names and boundaries.
- 4.15 We published our Revised Proposals on 8 November 2022 and the statutory consultation period of four weeks lasted until 5 December 2022. The legislation does not allow for Public Hearings in connection with our Revised Proposals.
- 4.16 Our consultation on our Revised Proposals was guided by the same factors as our initial consultation, as set out in paragraphs 4.4 to 4.7.
- 4.17 We received 864 representations on our Revised Proposals. Further detail of our consideration of representations can be found in the appropriate sections of Appendix A.

Final Recommendations

- 4.18 We considered all representations received regarding our Revised Proposals and decided whether any further modifications were required. Having done so, we developed our Final Recommendations at our meetings of 14 February and 20 March 2023. Details of our discussions are recorded in the minutes and papers of our meetings which are available on our website.
- 4.19 From our Revised Proposals we made changes to 27 constituency boundaries, six constituency names and 13 constituency names and boundaries.

Public Engagement

- 4.20 When we published our Initial and Revised Proposals, the legislation required us to take such steps as we thought fit to inform people in each proposed constituency:
- what our proposals were;
 - that a copy of the proposals was open to inspection at a specified place in the constituency; and
 - that written representations could be made to us.
- 4.21 To meet these requirements, we distributed information to display points in order to make our proposals readily accessible during the public consultation stages. We advertised the review in local and national newspapers. We tried to raise awareness of the review via social media. We paid to advertise on Facebook

and Twitter, used our own Twitter and Facebook pages and when writing to Councils asked them to publicise the consultation on their social media channels.

- 4.22 In addition to the statutory requirements, we disseminated proposals in various ways. Details of proposals were sent directly to a range of recipients, including MPs, MSPs, the Scottish headquarters of political parties with MPs representing Scottish constituencies, the House of Commons Library and the Scottish Parliament Information Centre. In addition, we notified Local Authorities, Electoral Registration Officers, the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority and more than 1,100 Community Councils. We also issued news releases on each occasion when we undertook public consultation, and made all of the consultation documents available on our website.
- 4.23 We jointly commissioned a web-based consultation site with the Boundary Commission for England and Boundary Commission for Wales. The site allowed users to view our proposals on an interactive map, to submit their comments to us directly through the consultation site, and to view comments made during earlier consultation periods.

5 Final Recommendations and analysis

Recommended constituencies

- 5.1 We recommend the 55 UK Parliament constituencies covering mainland Scotland as shown in Table 5.1. The areas covered by these constituencies are listed in Appendix F and shown on the maps in Appendix G of this report and on our website.
- 5.2 The constituencies covering the island council areas are also included in Table 5.1 for completeness, although their extents are defined in the legislation.
- 5.3 Table 5.1 lists each constituency with its parliamentary electorate on 2 March 2020. The United Kingdom electoral quota is 73,393, as described in Section 2.
- 5.4 Details of our deliberations in arriving at our recommendations for each constituency are given in the appropriate sections of Appendix A.
- 5.5 A list of the recommended constituencies covering each council area is in Appendix E.
- 5.6 Details of the wards and part-wards making up each constituency are in Appendix F.

Table 5.1 – Final Recommendations for UK Parliament constituencies

* retained existing constituency boundary

Constituency name	Electorate (2 March 20)	Area (sq. km)	Designation
Aberdeen North	76,895	104	Burgh
Aberdeen South	76,560	102	Burgh
Aberdeenshire North and Moray East	71,485	1,343	County
Airdrie and Shotts	70,420	238	County
Alloa and Grangemouth	72,265	184	County
Angus and Perthshire Glens	77,006	5,532	County
Arbroath and Broughty Ferry	76,810	422	County
Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber	71,707	9,303	County
Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock*	72,057	1,636	County
Bathgate and Linlithgow	71,650	221	County
Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk*	74,687	3,842	County
Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross	75,173	11,798	County
Central Ayrshire*	69,779	237	County
Coatbridge and Bellshill	72,507	69	Burgh
Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy	70,329	154	County
Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch	70,579	142	County
Dumfries and Galloway	76,863	4,110	County
Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale	70,738	4,465	County
Dundee Central	75,298	42	Burgh
Dunfermline and Dollar	70,725	279	County
East Kilbride and Strathaven	75,161	305	County

Constituency name	Electorate (2 March 20)	Area (sq. km)	Designation
East Renfrewshire*	72,959	174	County
Edinburgh East and Musselburgh	75,705	34	Burgh
Edinburgh North and Leith	76,770	20	Burgh
Edinburgh South	70,980	31	Burgh
Edinburgh South West	73,315	90	Burgh
Edinburgh West	76,723	107	Burgh
Falkirk	75,067	202	County
Glasgow East	69,748	28	Burgh
Glasgow North	73,210	28	Burgh
Glasgow North East	75,236	39	Burgh
Glasgow South	71,344	27	Burgh
Glasgow South West	70,431	30	Burgh
Glasgow West	72,499	19	Burgh
Glenrothes and Mid Fife	69,734	173	County
Gordon and Buchan	70,238	2,083	County
Hamilton and Clyde Valley	74,577	257	County
Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West	70,418	208	County
Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire	76,903	9,688	County
Kilmarnock and Loudoun*	74,801	702	County
Livingston	75,454	244	County
Lothian East	71,287	690	County
Mid Dunbartonshire	75,099	154	County
Midlothian*	71,210	355	County
Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey	76,237	4,748	County
Motherwell, Wishaw and Carluke	72,318	214	County
Na h-Eileanan an Iar*	21,177	3,268	County
North Ayrshire and Arran*	73,588	834	County
North East Fife	70,452	824	County
Orkney and Shetland*	34,824	2,744	County
Paisley and Renfrewshire North	69,941	89	Burgh
Paisley and Renfrewshire South	69,813	150	County
Perth and Kinross-shire	76,320	1,453	County
Rutherglen	71,612	41	Burgh
Stirling and Strathallan	77,008	2,492	County
West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine*	73,634	3,272	County
West Dunbartonshire	70,286	183	County

Analysis

- 5.7 The March 2020 electorates of all of our recommended 55 mainland constituencies comply with the legislation. They are all within 5% of the United Kingdom electoral quota and vary from 69,734 to 77,008 electors.
- 5.8 Our recommendations include eight mainland constituencies which are unchanged from existing constituencies: Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock; Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk; Central Ayrshire; East Renfrewshire; Kilmarnock and Loudoun; Midlothian; North Ayrshire and Arran; and West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine. Na h-Eileanan an Iar constituency and Orkney and Shetland constituency are defined in the legislation for this review and are unchanged from existing constituencies.
- 5.9 Our recommendations include three mainland council areas where the electorates permit a whole number of constituencies exactly covering the extent of the council area: Aberdeen City where there are two constituencies recommended; East Renfrewshire which is recommended to comprise one constituency; and Midlothian which is recommended to comprise one constituency.
- 5.10 Our recommendations include: 272 mainland wards contained within a single constituency; 58 mainland wards divided between two constituencies; one mainland ward divided between three constituencies; and one mainland ward divided between four constituencies.
- 5.11 Of the recommended mainland constituencies, 37 are contained within a single council area, 17 each include parts of two council areas and one, Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale, includes parts of three council areas.
- 5.12 Of the mainland constituencies existing at the start of this review, 48 were contained within a single council area, eight included parts of two council areas, while one included parts of three council areas. The constraints of the revised legislation result in more constituencies in our recommendations having to cross council boundaries.
- 5.13 Our recommendations include 17 burgh constituencies and 40 county constituencies.

Acknowledgements

- 5.14 We are grateful for the extensive support which we have received from local authorities in conducting the review, including providing facilities to allow us to make our proposals available for public consultation.
- 5.15 We are also grateful to those individuals and organisations who have responded to our public consultations, and thereby enabled us to consider a wide range of views when arriving at our Final Recommendations.
- 5.16 We would like to record our gratitude to Mr Dominic Cuthbert who represented the Director General of Ordnance Survey as our Assessor.
- 5.17 We gratefully acknowledge the important role played by the Sheriffs Principal who conducted Public Hearings on our behalf.
- 5.18 We would also like to thank our Secretariat for their excellent work and the support they provided during the conduct of our review.

Next review

- 5.19 This concludes our report on our 2023 Review of UK Parliament constituencies in accordance with the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986, as amended. Our next review must be submitted before 1 July 2031.

Appendix A

Description of review by grouping of council area(s)

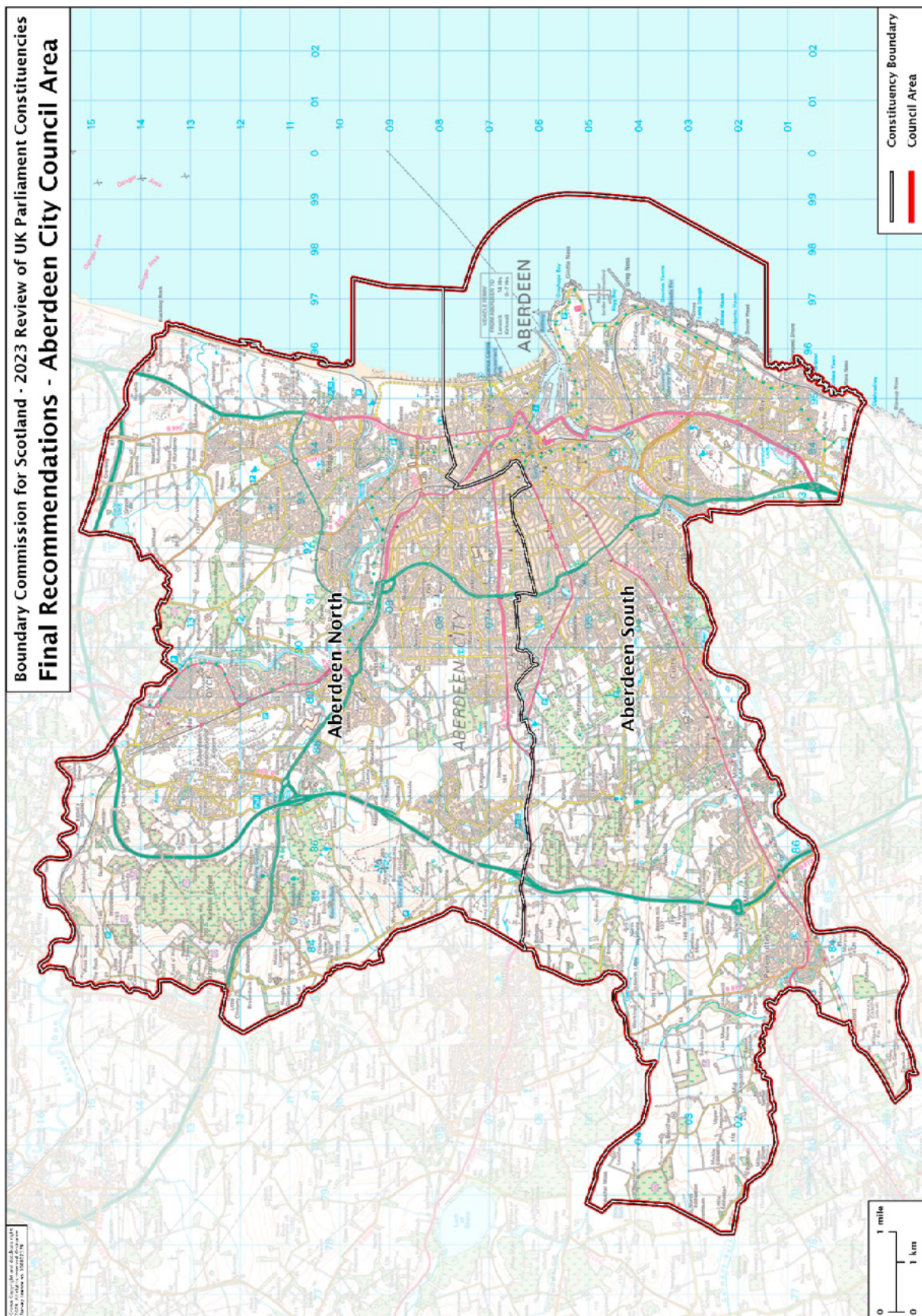
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Constituencies for Na h-Eileanan an Iar, Orkney Islands and Shetland Islands Council areas are protected in legislation and therefore not under review.

Appendix A1

Aberdeen City Council area

Map – Final Recommendations: Aberdeen City Council area (maps of individual constituencies are located in Appendix G)



Constituencies at the start of this review

1. At the start of this review, Aberdeen City Council area was covered by two constituencies wholly within the council area and one constituency partly in the council area and partly in Aberdeenshire Council area. None of the constituencies were within the electoral quota. The constituencies are shown in Table A1.1.

Table A1.1 – Constituencies at the start of this review

Current constituency	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Aberdeen North	Aberdeen City	Burgh	62,714
Aberdeen South	Aberdeen City	Burgh	66,227
Gordon	Aberdeen City Aberdeenshire	County	80,535
Total			209,476

Initial Proposals

2. We designed constituencies for this area within our overall approach to grouping council areas for constituency design. Our proposed grouping for this area included two constituencies exactly covering the extent of Aberdeen City Council area.
3. We discussed our Initial Proposals for this council area in Paper 2021/12 and Paper 2021/14. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meetings of 17 May 2021 and 19 July 2021. We agreed proposed constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2021/24. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 24 August 2021.
4. In deciding upon our Initial Proposals for Aberdeen City Council area we agreed a constituency design that aimed to retain traditional north-south constituencies within the council area. The proposed boundary between the Aberdeen North and Aberdeen South constituencies followed ward boundaries, except by Rosemount.
5. Our Initial Proposals were as shown in Table A1.2. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Initial Proposals were included in the maps of our Initial Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A1.2 – Initial Proposals

Constituency name	Council area	Designation	Electorate
Aberdeen North	Aberdeen City	Burgh	76,895
Aberdeen South	Aberdeen City	Burgh	76,560
Total			153,455

6. On 14 October 2021, we published our Initial Proposals for this council area for the specified initial consultation period of eight weeks.
7. We received five representations in response to the initial consultation on our Initial Proposals for Aberdeen City Council area.

8. On 10 February 2022, we published the representations we received during the consultation for the specified secondary consultation period of six weeks. In response, we received a further two representations concerning Aberdeen City Council area.

Revised Proposals

9. We considered the representations received on our Initial Proposals in this council area in Paper 2022/08. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 9 May 2022.
10. There was little support or opposition for the Initial Proposals and no alternative suggestions were submitted.
11. Some representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.
12. In response to all of the comments and suggestions to the consultation we decided to retain the two Aberdeen constituencies from our Initial Proposals as our Revised Proposals.
13. We agreed revised constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2022/20. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 18 July 2022.
14. Our Revised Proposals are shown in Table A1.3. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Revised Proposals were included in the maps of our Revised Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A1.3 – Revised Proposals

Constituency name	Council area	Designation	Electorate
Aberdeen North	Aberdeen City	Burgh	76,895
Aberdeen South	Aberdeen City	Burgh	76,560
Total			153,455

15. On 8 November 2022, we published our Revised Proposals for constituencies in Aberdeen City Council area for the specified consultation period of four weeks.
16. We received two representations in response to the consultation on our Revised Proposals for Aberdeen City Council area. One response supported the Revised Proposals because they placed two constituencies within the Aberdeen City Council area boundary. The other response raised concerns with the proposed boundary by Kittybrewster but offered no alternative boundary suggestion.
17. Some general representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

Final Recommendations

18. We considered the representations received in response to our public consultation on our Revised Proposals at our meeting of 14 February 2023. Paper 2023/02 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions.

19. In light of the lack of opposition or any alternative suggestions within statutory rules we agreed that no change was required to this aspect of our Revised Proposals and adopted it within our Final Recommendations.
20. We agreed recommended constituency names and designations at our meeting of 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/14 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions. We decided to make no changes to the constituency names.
21. Details of our Final Recommendations for constituencies in Aberdeen City Council area are in Table A1.4. Maps of individual constituencies in the Final Recommendations are available in Appendix G. Constituency by council area is in Appendix E and individual wards contained in each constituency in Appendix F. Analysis of the Final Recommendations appears in Chapter 5.

Table A1.4 – Final Recommendations

Constituency name	Council area	Designation	Electorate
Aberdeen North	Aberdeen City	Burgh	76,895
Aberdeen South	Aberdeen City	Burgh	76,560
Total			153,455

Appendix A2

Aberdeenshire; Argyll and Bute; Highland; and Moray Council areas



Constituencies at the start of this review

22. At the start of this review, Argyll and Bute had one constituency wholly within its council area; Aberdeenshire had two constituencies wholly within its council area and one constituency partly in the council area and partly in Aberdeen City Council area; Highland had three constituencies wholly within its council area; and Moray had one constituency wholly within its council area. Two constituencies were within the electoral quota. The constituencies are shown in Table A2.1.

Table A2.1 – Constituencies at the start of this review

Current constituency	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Argyll and Bute	Argyll and Bute	County	67,565
Banff and Buchan	Aberdeenshire	County	67,117
Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross	Highland	County	46,924
Gordon	Aberdeen City Aberdeenshire	County	80,535
Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey	Highland	County	78,254
Moray	Moray	County	71,537
Ross, Skye and Lochaber	Highland	County	54,325
West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine	Aberdeenshire	County	73,634
Total			539,891

Initial Proposals

23. We designed constituencies for this area within our overall approach to grouping council areas for constituency design. Our proposed grouping for this area included: one constituency within Aberdeenshire Council area; one constituency within Argyll and Bute Council area and partly within Highland Council area; two constituencies within Highland Council area; one constituency partly within Highland Council area and partly within Moray Council area; and two constituencies partly within Moray Council area and partly within Aberdeenshire Council area.
24. We discussed our Initial Proposals for these council areas in Papers 2021/08, 2021/12 and 2021/14. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 12 April 2021, 17 May 2021 and 19 July 2021. We agreed proposed constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2021/24. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 24 August 2021.
25. In deciding upon our Initial Proposals for Aberdeenshire, Argyll and Bute, Highland and Moray Council areas we proposed seven constituencies within this grouping. There are currently eight constituencies. The existing West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine constituency was unchanged. The proposed Argyll constituency contained the whole of Argyll and Bute Council area as well as Ardnamurchan, Glen Coe and Loch Leven. The proposed Highland Central constituency included Inverness, Fort William and Skye. The proposed Highland North constituency contained the northern half of Highland Council area. The proposed Highland East and Elgin constituency

included Badenoch and Strathspey, Nairn and Elgin. The proposed Banff and Buchan constituency followed the north coast of Aberdeenshire and included Buckie, Fraserburgh, Keith and Peterhead. The proposed Gordon and Moray South contained Ellon, Huntly and Dufftown.

26. Our Initial Proposals were as shown in Table A2.2. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Initial Proposals were included in the maps of our Initial Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A2.2 – Initial Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Argyll	Argyll and Bute Highland	County	71,442
Banff and Buchan	Aberdeenshire Moray	County	72,837
Gordon and Moray South	Aberdeenshire Moray	County	73,121
Highland Central	Highland	County	75,651
Highland East and Elgin	Highland Moray	County	72,038
Highland North	Highland	County	76,654
West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine	Aberdeenshire	County	73,634
Total			515,377

27. On 14 October 2021, we published our Initial Proposals for these council areas for the specified initial consultation period of eight weeks.
28. We received 224 representations in response to the initial consultation on our Initial Proposals for Aberdeenshire, Argyll and Bute, Highland and Moray Council areas.
29. On 10 February 2022, we published the representations we received during the consultation for the specified secondary consultation period of six weeks. In response, we received a further 41 representations concerning Aberdeenshire, Argyll and Bute, Highland and Moray Council areas.

Revised Proposals

30. We considered the representations received on our Initial Proposals in these council areas in Paper 2022/12, Paper 2022/15 and Paper 2022/19. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meetings of 9 May 2022, 6 June 2022 and 18 July 2022.
31. The comments and suggestions received during the initial consultation included: opposition to Moray being split between three constituencies, when the existing Moray constituency is within the electorate quota for the 2023 Review; opposition to the size of the proposed Highland North constituency; suggestions to name a constituency Argyll and Bute; and opposition to the proposed boundary in Lochaber.
32. Some representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

33. In response to all of the comments and suggestions to the consultation we decided to amend the proposed boundaries: in Wester Ross to create a smaller northern constituency; to the east of Inverness to follow a ward boundary; north of Kinlochleven to follow a community council area boundary; and Moray was divided between two rather than three constituencies (we were unable to find a way to avoid dividing Moray because of the electorate numbers in surrounding areas). We retained the existing West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine constituency from our Initial Proposals.
34. We agreed revised constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2022/20. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 18 July 2022. West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine was the only constituency name we retained from our Initial Proposals.
35. Our Revised Proposals are shown in Table A2.3. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Revised Proposals were included in the maps of our Revised Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A2.3 – Revised Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Aberdeenshire Central	Aberdeenshire	County	76,897
Aberdeenshire North and Moray East	Aberdeenshire Moray	County	69,802
Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber	Argyll and Bute Highland	County	71,707
Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross	Highland	County	72,632
Inverness-shire and Wester Ross	Highland	County	73,791
Nairn, Strathspey and Moray West	Highland Moray	County	76,914
West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine	Aberdeenshire	County	73,634
Total			515,377

36. On 8 November 2022, we published our Revised Proposals for constituencies in Aberdeenshire, Argyll and Bute, Highland and Moray Council areas for the specified consultation period of four weeks.
37. We received 326 representations in response to the consultation on our Revised Proposals for Aberdeenshire, Argyll and Bute, Highland and Moray Council areas. Most of the responses focused on Highland and Moray Council areas. In Moray there was a desire to retain the existing Moray constituency because it was within the electorate quota and in Highland there was opposition to the breaking of local ties between Inverness and Culloden.
38. Some general representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

Final Recommendations

39. We considered the representations received in response to our public consultation on our Revised Proposals at our meetings of 14 February 2023 and 20 March 2023.

Paper 2023/06 and Paper 2023/11 and the minutes of our meetings record our discussion and conclusions.

40. We noted there had been opposition to our Revised Proposals in Aberdeenshire, Highland and Moray and as a consequence made changes in these areas by: placing Balloch, Culloden and Smithton in a constituency with Inverness; to consider new housing developments to the east and south of Elgin; and better to reflect local ties in Aberdeenshire by Strichen. As a result of these changes we had proposed following the boundary of the Highland North constituency from our Initial Proposals but as there was opposition to the size of that constituency we revised the boundary in Wester Ross.
41. We agreed recommended constituency names and designations at our meeting of 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/14 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions. We decided to revise the names of three constituencies and named them: Gordon and Buchan; Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire; and Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey.
42. Details of our Final Recommendations for constituencies in Aberdeenshire; Argyll and Bute; Highland; and Moray Council areas are in Table A2.4. Maps of individual constituencies in the Final Recommendations are available in Appendix G. Constituency by council area is in Appendix E and individual wards contained in each constituency in Appendix F. Analysis of the Final Recommendations appears in Chapter 5.

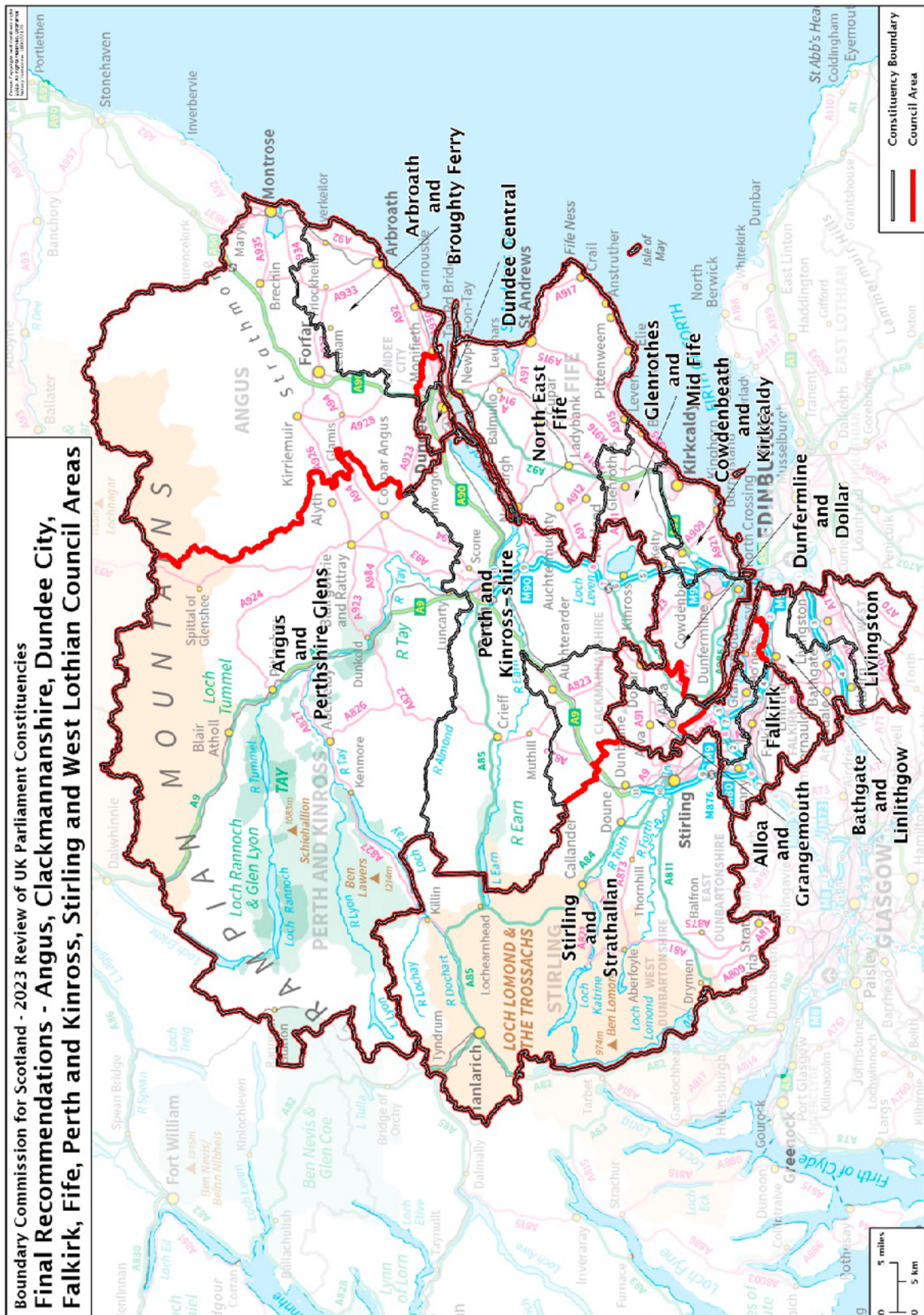
Table A2.4 – Final Recommendations

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Aberdeenshire North and Moray East	Aberdeenshire Moray	County	71,485
Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber	Argyll and Bute Highland	County	71,707
Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross	Highland	County	75,173
Gordon and Buchan	Aberdeenshire	County	70,238
Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire	Highland	County	76,903
Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey	Highland Moray	County	76,237
West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine	Aberdeenshire	County	73,634
Total			515,377

Appendix A3

**Angus; Clackmannanshire; Dundee City; Falkirk; Fife; Perth and Kinross; Stirling; and
West Lothian Council areas**

Map – Final Recommendations: Angus; Clackmannanshire; Dundee City; Falkirk; Fife; Perth and Kinross; Stirling; and West Lothian Council areas (maps of individual constituencies are located in Appendix G)



Constituencies at the start of this review

43. At the start of this review, there was one constituency wholly within Angus Council area, and two constituencies comprising part of Dundee City Council area and Angus Council area. Fife contained four constituencies wholly within the council area. Stirling contained one constituency wholly within the council area. Perth and Kinross Council area comprised one constituency wholly within the council area and one that was partly in Clackmannanshire Council area. Falkirk Council area contained one constituency wholly within Falkirk Council area and one partly in Falkirk Council area and partly within West Lothian Council area. West Lothian Council area contained one constituency wholly within it. Three of the constituencies were within the electoral quota. The constituencies are shown in Table A3.1.

Table A3.1 – Constituencies at the start of this review

Current constituency	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Angus	Angus	County	65,126
Dundee East	Angus Dundee City	Burgh	67,345
Dundee West	Angus Dundee City	Burgh	65,446
Dunfermline and West Fife	Fife	County	77,382
Falkirk	Falkirk	County	86,183
Glenrothes	Fife	County	66,468
Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath	Fife	County	73,288
Linlithgow and East Falkirk	Falkirk West Lothian	County	88,506
Livingston	West Lothian	County	83,508
North East Fife	Fife	County	60,877
Ochil and South Perthshire	Clackmannanshire Perth and Kinross	County	80,381
Perth and North Perthshire	Perth and Kinross	County	73,523
Stirling	Stirling	County	70,085
Total			958,118

Initial Proposals

44. We designed constituencies for this area within our overall approach to grouping council areas for constituency design. Our proposed grouping for this area included: one constituency partly in Angus and Dundee City Council areas; one constituency partly in Angus and Perth and Kinross Council areas; one constituency partly in Dundee City and Perth and Kinross Council areas; one constituency wholly within Falkirk Council area; two constituencies partly in Fife and Perth and Kinross Council areas; two constituencies wholly within Fife Council area; one constituency partly in Falkirk and West Lothian Council areas; one constituency wholly within West Lothian Council area; one constituency that included Clackmannanshire Council area and part of Falkirk Council area; one constituency wholly within Perth and Kinross Council area; and one constituency wholly within Stirling Council area.

45. We discussed our Initial Proposals for these council areas in Paper 2021/17 and Paper 2021/23. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meetings of 19 July 2021 and 24 August 2021. We agreed proposed constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2021/24. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 24 August 2021.
46. In deciding upon our Initial Proposals for Angus, Clackmannanshire, Dundee City, Falkirk, Fife, Perth and Kinross, Stirling, and West Lothian Council areas we agreed a constituency design that retained the overall number of constituencies at 13. The existing Stirling constituency was the only unchanged constituency. The proposed Angus and Strathmore constituency included the Angus Glens, Forfar, Montrose and Blairgowrie. We retained an east-west split in Dundee where the proposed boundaries followed ward boundaries. The proposed Dundee East and Arbroath constituency included the coastal towns of Arbroath, Broughty Ferry and Carnoustie. The proposed Dundee West and Gowrie constituency split the Perth and Kinross Carse of Gowrie ward by following higher ground above the A90 road. The proposed Livingston constituency contained Livingston and Whitburn. The proposed Linlithgow and Bathgate constituency also included Bo'ness. The proposed Forth Valley South constituency contained Falkirk, Grangemouth and Bonnybridge. The proposed Mid Forth Valley constituency contained Clackmannanshire, Denny and Stenhousemuir. The proposed West Fife constituency was similar to the existing Dunfermline and West Fife constituency but the boundary followed the M90 and included the Crook of Devon. The proposed Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath constituency followed ward boundaries within Fife Council area. The proposed North East Fife constituency was similar to the existing constituency except for minor changes to the boundary by Leven. The proposed Glenrothes and Loch Leven constituency followed ward boundaries and included Kinross. The proposed Perth and Tay constituency followed ward boundaries within Perth and Kinross council area and included Perth, Aberfeldy, Crieff and Auchterarder.
47. Our Initial Proposals were as shown in Table A3.2. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Initial Proposals were included in the maps of our Initial Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A3.2 – Initial Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Angus and Strathmore	Angus Perth and Kinross	County	74,051
Dundee East and Arbroath	Angus Dundee City	County	75,706
Dundee West and Gowrie	Dundee City Perth and Kinross	County	76,771
Forth Valley South	Falkirk	County	76,431
Glenrothes and Loch Leven	Fife Perth and Kinross	County	74,155
Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath	Fife	County	74,637
Linlithgow and Bathgate	Falkirk West Lothian	County	73,710
Livingston	West Lothian	County	73,394
Mid Forth Valley	Clackmannanshire Falkirk	County	74,126
North East Fife	Fife	County	70,452
Perth and Tay	Perth and Kinross	County	74,589
Stirling	Stirling	County	70,085
West Fife	Fife Perth and Kinross	County	70,011
Total			958,118

48. On 14 October 2021, we published our Initial Proposals for these council areas for the specified initial consultation period of eight weeks.
49. We received 468 representations in response to the initial consultation on our Initial Proposals for Angus, Clackmannanshire, Dundee City, Falkirk, Fife, Perth and Kinross, Stirling, and West Lothian Council areas.
50. On 10 February 2022, we published the representations we received during the consultation for the specified secondary consultation period of six weeks. In response, we received a further 58 representations concerning Angus, Clackmannanshire, Dundee City, Falkirk, Fife, Perth and Kinross, Stirling, and West Lothian Council areas.

Revised Proposals

51. We considered the representations received on our Initial Proposals in these council area groupings in Paper 2022/11 and Paper 2022/19. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 9 May 2022 and 18 July 2022.
52. The comments and suggestions received during the initial consultation included strong opposition to: dividing Kinross-shire between constituencies and placing part of it in a Fife constituency; placing Carse of Gowrie in a Dundee constituency rather than a Perth constituency; and a constituency overlapping the River Forth. However, there was some support for the proposed Perth and Tay constituency.

53. Some representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.
54. In response to all of the comments and suggestions to the consultation we decided to make a number of changes from our Initial Proposals. In West Lothian Council area we agreed to adopt a suggestion that placed Broxburn and Uphall in a Livingston constituency and Whitburn and Blackburn in a Bathgate and Linlithgow constituency as it would better reflect historical local ties. In Falkirk Council area: Skinflats was added to a Falkirk constituency; and Denny and Stenhousemuir, added with most of Clackmannanshire and Auchterarder to create a Clackmannanshire and Forth Valley constituency. In Fife Council area: Dollar was included in a Dunfermline and East Ochils constituency; the Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath constituency boundary was amended at Kelty and West Wemyss; and the Glenrothes constituency included Scotlandwell from Kinross-shire. In Perth and Kinross Council area: a Perth and Loch Leven constituency included Kinross-shire, Perth, Strathearn and Carse of Gowrie; and a North Tayside constituency included north Perthshire, Brechin, Forfar and Montrose. In Angus and Dundee City Council areas we proposed a Dundee West constituency and a Dundee East and Arbroath constituency. The proposed Stirling constituency was unchanged from the existing arrangements and Initial Proposals. The proposed North East Fife constituency was unchanged from the Initial Proposals.
55. We agreed revised constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2022/20. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 18 July 2022.
56. Our Revised Proposals are shown in Table A3.3. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Revised Proposals were included in the maps of our Revised Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A3.3 – Revised Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Bathgate and Linlithgow	West Lothian	County	71,650
Clackmannanshire and Forth Valley	Clackmannanshire Falkirk Perth and Kinross	County	77,046
Dundee East and Arbroath	Dundee City Angus	County	76,810
Dundee West	Dundee City	Burgh	75,298
Dunfermline and East Ochils	Fife Clackmannanshire	County	71,456
Falkirk	Falkirk	County	76,734
Glenrothes	Fife Perth and Kinross	County	70,004
Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath	Fife	County	69,800
Livingston	West Lothian	County	75,454
North East Fife	Fife	County	70,452
North Tayside	Perth and Kinross Angus	County	77,006
Perth and Loch Leven	Perth and Kinross	County	76,323
Stirling	Stirling	County	70,085
Total			958,118

57. On 8 November 2022, we published our Revised Proposals for constituencies in Angus, Clackmannanshire, Dundee City, Falkirk, Fife, Perth and Kinross, Stirling, and West Lothian Council areas for the specified consultation period of four weeks.
58. We received 236 representations in response to the consultation on our Revised Proposals for Angus; Clackmannanshire; Dundee City; Falkirk; Fife; Perth and Kinross; Stirling; and West Lothian Council areas. Most of the responses focused on Strathallan in Perthshire where representations mentioned a lack of local ties with Clackmannanshire and Falkirk Council areas while some stated they had closer links with Stirling. There was also opposition to the Kinross-shire village of Scotlandwell being in a Fife constituency.
59. Some general representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

Final Recommendations

60. We considered the representations received in response to our public consultation on our Revised Proposals at our meetings of 14 February 2023 and 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/07 and Paper 2023/12 and the minutes of our meetings record our discussion and conclusions.
61. We noted there had been opposition to our Revised Proposals in Kinross-shire and Strathallan and as a consequence we agreed to consider local ties in Kinross-shire

and included Scotlandwell in a Perth and Kinross-shire constituency, with Kingseat joining a Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy constituency as a result. As suggested during the consultation we agreed to add Auchterarder and Aberuthven to create a Stirling and Strathallan constituency because there were some historical links between these areas. Further to this we amended the Clackmannanshire and Forth Valley constituency from our Revised Proposals by Grangemouth and Denny to better reflect local ties in a constituency named Alloa and Grangemouth. Elsewhere we agreed to maintain our Revised Proposals as our Final Recommendations. We were unable to agree to some suggestions because of their impact on neighbouring areas.

62. We agreed recommended constituency names and designations at our meeting of 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/14 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions. We retained only four constituency names from our Revised Proposals: Bathgate and Linlithgow; Falkirk; Livingston; and North East Fife.
63. Details of our Final Recommendations for constituencies in Angus, Clackmannanshire, Dundee City, Falkirk, Fife, Perth and Kinross, Stirling, and West Lothian Council areas are in Table A3.4. Maps of individual constituencies in the Final Recommendations are available in Appendix G. Constituency by council area is in Appendix E and individual wards contained in each constituency in Appendix F. Analysis of the Final Recommendations appears in Chapter 5.

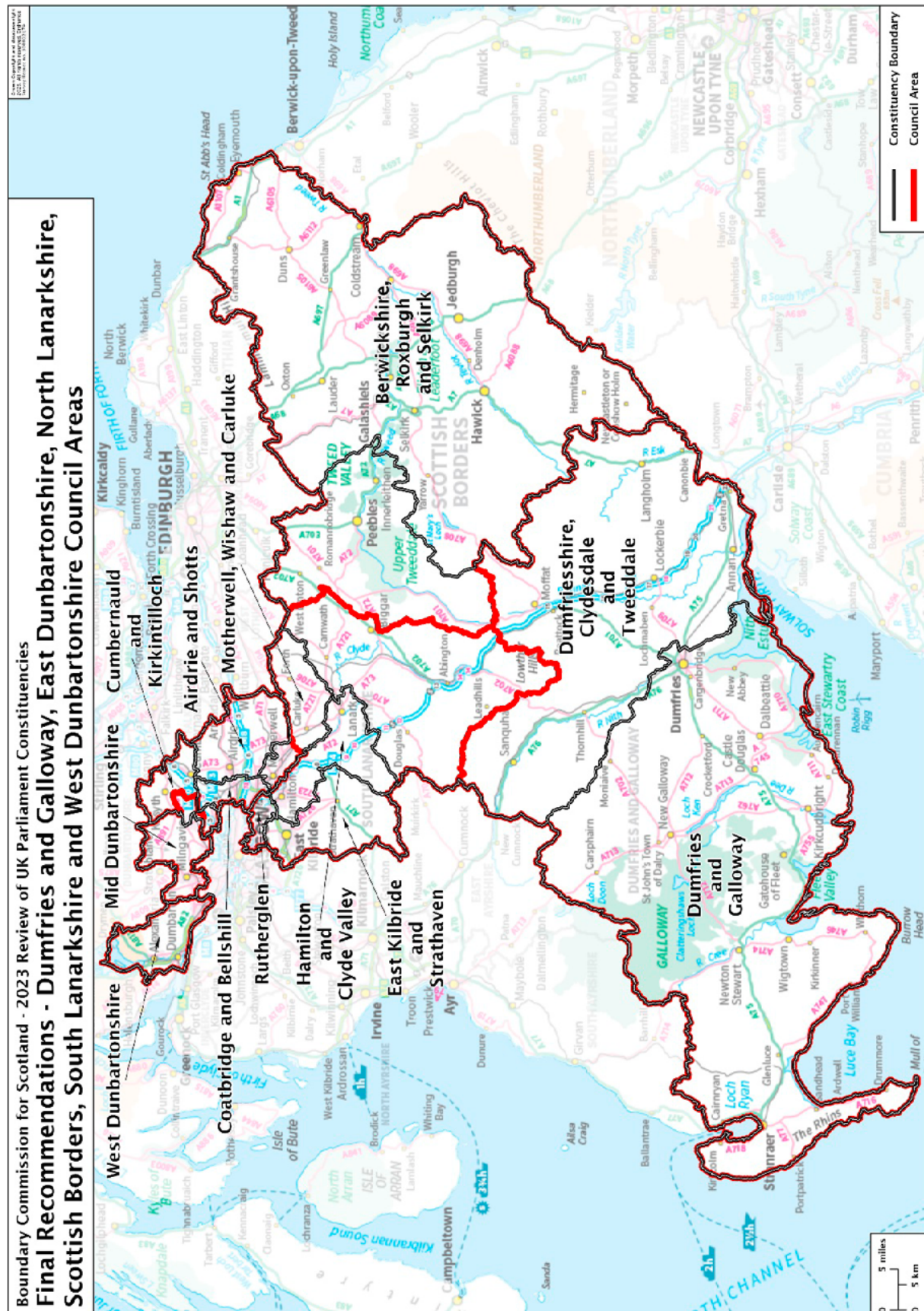
Table A3.4 – Final Recommendations

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Alloa and Grangemouth	Clackmannanshire Falkirk	County	72,265
Angus and Perthshire Glens	Angus Perth and Kinross	County	77,006
Arbroath and Broughty Ferry	Angus Dundee City	County	76,810
Bathgate and Linlithgow	Falkirk West Lothian	County	71,650
Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy	Fife	County	70,329
Dundee Central	Dundee City	Burgh	75,298
Dunfermline and Dollar	Clackmannanshire Fife	County	70,725
Falkirk	Falkirk	County	75,067
Glenrothes and Mid Fife	Fife	County	69,734
Livingston	West Lothian	County	75,454
North East Fife	Fife	County	70,452
Perth and Kinross-shire	Perth and Kinross	County	76,320
Stirling and Strathallan	Perth and Kinross Stirling	County	77,008
Total			958,118

Appendix A4

**Dumfries and Galloway; East Dunbartonshire; North Lanarkshire; Scottish Borders;
South Lanarkshire; and West Dunbartonshire Council areas**

Map – Final Recommendations: Dumfries and Galloway; East Dunbartonshire; North Lanarkshire; Scottish Borders; South Lanarkshire; and West Dunbartonshire Council area (maps of individual constituencies are located in Appendix G)



Constituencies at the start of this review

64. At the start of this review there were: three constituencies wholly within North Lanarkshire Council area; three constituencies wholly within South Lanarkshire Council area; one constituency wholly within Dumfries and Galloway, East Dunbartonshire, Scottish Borders, and West Dunbartonshire Council areas; one constituency partly in East Dunbartonshire Council area and partly in North Lanarkshire Council area; and one constituency partly in Dumfries and Galloway, South Lanarkshire, and Scottish Borders Council areas. Four of the constituencies were within the electoral quota. The constituencies are shown in Table A4.1.

Table A4.1 – Constituencies at the start of this review

Current constituency	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Airdrie and Shotts	North Lanarkshire	County	64,687
Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk	Scottish Borders	County	74,687
Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill	North Lanarkshire	Burgh	73,996
Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East	East Dunbartonshire North Lanarkshire	County	66,962
Dumfries and Galloway	Dumfries and Galloway	County	75,332
Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale	Dumfries and Galloway Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire	County	68,874
East Dunbartonshire	East Dunbartonshire	County	67,504
East Kilbride, Strathaven and Lesmahagow	South Lanarkshire	County	82,201
Lanark and Hamilton East	South Lanarkshire	County	78,444
Motherwell and Wishaw	North Lanarkshire	Burgh	69,413
Rutherglen and Hamilton West	South Lanarkshire	Burgh	81,744
West Dunbartonshire	West Dunbartonshire	County	67,795
Total			871,639

Initial Proposals

65. We designed constituencies for this area within our overall approach to grouping council areas for constituency design. Our proposed grouping for this area included two constituencies wholly within North Lanarkshire Council area; three constituencies wholly within South Lanarkshire Council area; one constituency wholly within Dumfries and Galloway Council area; one constituency wholly within Scottish Borders Council area; one constituency containing West Dunbartonshire Council area and part of Glasgow City Council area; two constituencies partly within East Dunbartonshire and North Lanarkshire Council areas; one constituency partly in North Lanarkshire and South Lanarkshire Council areas; and one constituency partly in Dumfries and Galloway, Scottish Borders, and South Lanarkshire Council areas.

66. We discussed our Initial Proposals for these council areas in Paper 2021/16 and Paper 2021/22. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meetings of 19 July 2021 and 24 August 2021. We agreed proposed constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2021/24. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 24 August 2021.
67. In deciding upon our Initial Proposals for Dumfries and Galloway, East Dunbartonshire, North Lanarkshire, Scottish Borders, South Lanarkshire and West Dunbartonshire Council areas we agreed a constituency design that retained the overall number of constituencies at 12. The proposed Dumfries and Galloway constituency was similar to the existing constituency except for minor changes to the boundary by Dumfries. The proposed Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk constituency was similar to the existing constituency except for minor changes to the boundary by Galashiels. The proposed Dumfriesshire, Tweeddale and Clydesdale constituency was similar to the existing constituency except for minor changes to the boundary by Dumfries, Galashiels and Lanark. The boundaries of both the proposed East Kilbride and Strathaven constituency and Rutherglen constituency followed ward boundaries within South Lanarkshire Council area. The proposed Hamilton and Clyde Valley constituency included Hamilton, Larkhall and Lanark. The proposed Motherwell and Clydesdale North constituency included Motherwell, Wishaw, Carluke and Forth. The proposed Airdrie and Shotts constituency was similar to the existing constituency except for changes to the boundary by Carfin, Cleland and Newmains. The proposed Coatbridge and Bellshill constituency was similar to the existing Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill constituency but it no longer included Chryston. The proposed Kelvin South constituency included Cumbernauld, Kirkintilloch and Stepps. The proposed Kelvin North constituency included Bearsden, Bishopbriggs and Kilsyth. The proposed West Dunbartonshire constituency included the whole of the council area and a small area of Yoker in Glasgow.
68. Our Initial Proposals were as shown in Table A4.2. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Initial Proposals were included in the maps of our Initial Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A4.2 – Initial Proposals

Current constituency	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Airdrie and Shotts	North Lanarkshire	County	72,970
Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk	Scottish Borders	County	73,779
Coatbridge and Bellshill	North Lanarkshire	Burgh	72,332
Dumfries and Galloway	Dumfries and Galloway	County	74,916
Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale	Dumfries and Galloway Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire	County	73,593
East Kilbride and Strathaven	South Lanarkshire	County	75,161
Hamilton and Clyde Valley	South Lanarkshire	County	74,577
Kelvin North	East Dunbartonshire North Lanarkshire	County	70,773
Kelvin South	East Dunbartonshire North Lanarkshire	Burgh	74,905
Motherwell and Clydesdale North	North Lanarkshire South Lanarkshire	County	69,943
Rutherglen	South Lanarkshire	Burgh	71,612
West Dunbartonshire	Glasgow City West Dunbartonshire	County	71,186
Total			875,747

69. On 14 October 2021, we published our Initial Proposals for these council areas for the specified initial consultation period of eight weeks.
70. We received 99 representations in response to the initial consultation on our Initial Proposals for Dumfries and Galloway, East Dunbartonshire, North Lanarkshire, Scottish Borders, South Lanarkshire and West Dunbartonshire Council areas.
71. On 10 February 2022, we published the representations we received during the consultation for the specified secondary consultation period of six weeks. In response, we received a further 29 representations concerning Dumfries and Galloway, East Dunbartonshire, North Lanarkshire, Scottish Borders, South Lanarkshire and West Dunbartonshire Council areas.

Revised Proposals

72. We considered the representations received on our Initial Proposals in these council areas in Paper 2022/16 and Paper 2022/19. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meetings of 6 June 2022 and 18 July 2022.
73. The comments and suggestions received during the initial consultation included: Tweed Valley electors stating they have little in common with Clydesdale and Dumfriesshire; opposition to the proposed boundaries by Dumfries and Lanark; opposition to the proposed Kelvin North and Kelvin South constituency names; and the proposals break local ties in North and South Lanarkshire Council areas. There was little opposition to the proposals in West Dunbartonshire Council area.

74. Some representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.
75. In response to all of the comments and suggestions to the consultation we made changes from our Initial Proposals in East Dunbartonshire where we proposed: a Kilsyth Hills and Cumbernauld constituency that included Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch; and a Bearsden and Campsie Fells constituency that included Bearsden, Milngavie, Bishopbriggs, Stepps and Chryston. The proposed Dumfries and Galloway constituency and Dumfriesshire, Tweeddale and Clydesdale constituency were similar to the Initial Proposals except for minor changes to the boundary by Dumfries at Dunscore and Lochar Water. We also made minor changes to the Initial Proposals at Coatdyke by Coatbridge and at Yoker. We renamed the Airdrie and Shotts constituency as Airdrie. All other constituency names and boundaries were unchanged.
76. We agreed revised constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2022/20. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 18 July 2022.
77. Our Revised Proposals are shown in Table A4.3. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Revised Proposals were included in the maps of our Revised Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A4.3 – Revised Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Airdrie	North Lanarkshire	County	72,795
Bearsden and Campsie Fells	East Dunbartonshire North Lanarkshire	County	71,195
Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk	Scottish Borders	County	73,779
Coatbridge and Bellshill	North Lanarkshire	Burgh	72,507
Dumfries and Galloway	Dumfries and Galloway	County	76,863
Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale	Dumfries and Galloway Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire	County	71,646
East Kilbride and Strathaven	South Lanarkshire	County	75,161
Hamilton and Clyde Valley	South Lanarkshire	County	74,577
Kilsyth Hills and Cumbernauld	East Dunbartonshire North Lanarkshire	County	74,483
Motherwell and Clydesdale North	North Lanarkshire South Lanarkshire	County	69,943
Rutherglen	South Lanarkshire	Burgh	71,612
West Dunbartonshire	Glasgow City West Dunbartonshire	County	70,286
Total			874,847

78. On 8 November 2022, we published our Revised Proposals for constituencies in Dumfries and Galloway, East Dunbartonshire, North Lanarkshire, Scottish Borders,

South Lanarkshire and West Dunbartonshire Council areas for the specified consultation period of four weeks.

79. We received 80 representations in response to the consultation on the Revised Proposals for Dumfries and Galloway, East Dunbartonshire, North Lanarkshire, Scottish Borders, South Lanarkshire and West Dunbartonshire Council areas. There were comments and suggestions to retain the existing Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk constituency and to improve local ties in East Dunbartonshire and North Lanarkshire.
80. Some general representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

Final Recommendations

81. We considered the representations received in response to our public consultation on our Revised Proposals at our meetings of 14 February 2023 and 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/08 and Paper 2023/13 and the minutes of our meetings record our discussion and conclusions.
82. We noted there had been suggestions to amend our Revised Proposals in East Dunbartonshire, North Lanarkshire and Scottish Borders and as a consequence we amended our Revised Proposals in the Scottish Borders that had followed a ward boundary and reverted to the existing Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk constituency boundary. In East Dunbartonshire we agreed to adopt a suggestion that took account of the existing constituency boundary and would maintain local ties within the area. In North Lanarkshire we aimed to maintain local ties by Newmains and to avoid Carfin being split between constituencies.
83. We agreed recommended constituency names and designations at our meeting of 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/14 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions. We made changes to four constituency names, they were: Airdrie and Shotts; Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch; Mid Dunbartonshire; and Motherwell, Wishaw and Carluke.
84. Details of our Final Recommendations for constituencies in Dumfries and Galloway, East Dunbartonshire, North Lanarkshire, Scottish Borders, South Lanarkshire and West Dunbartonshire Council areas are in Table A4.4. Maps of individual constituencies in the Final Recommendations are available in Appendix G. Constituency by council area is in Appendix E and individual wards contained in each constituency in Appendix F. Analysis of the Final Recommendations appears in Chapter 5.

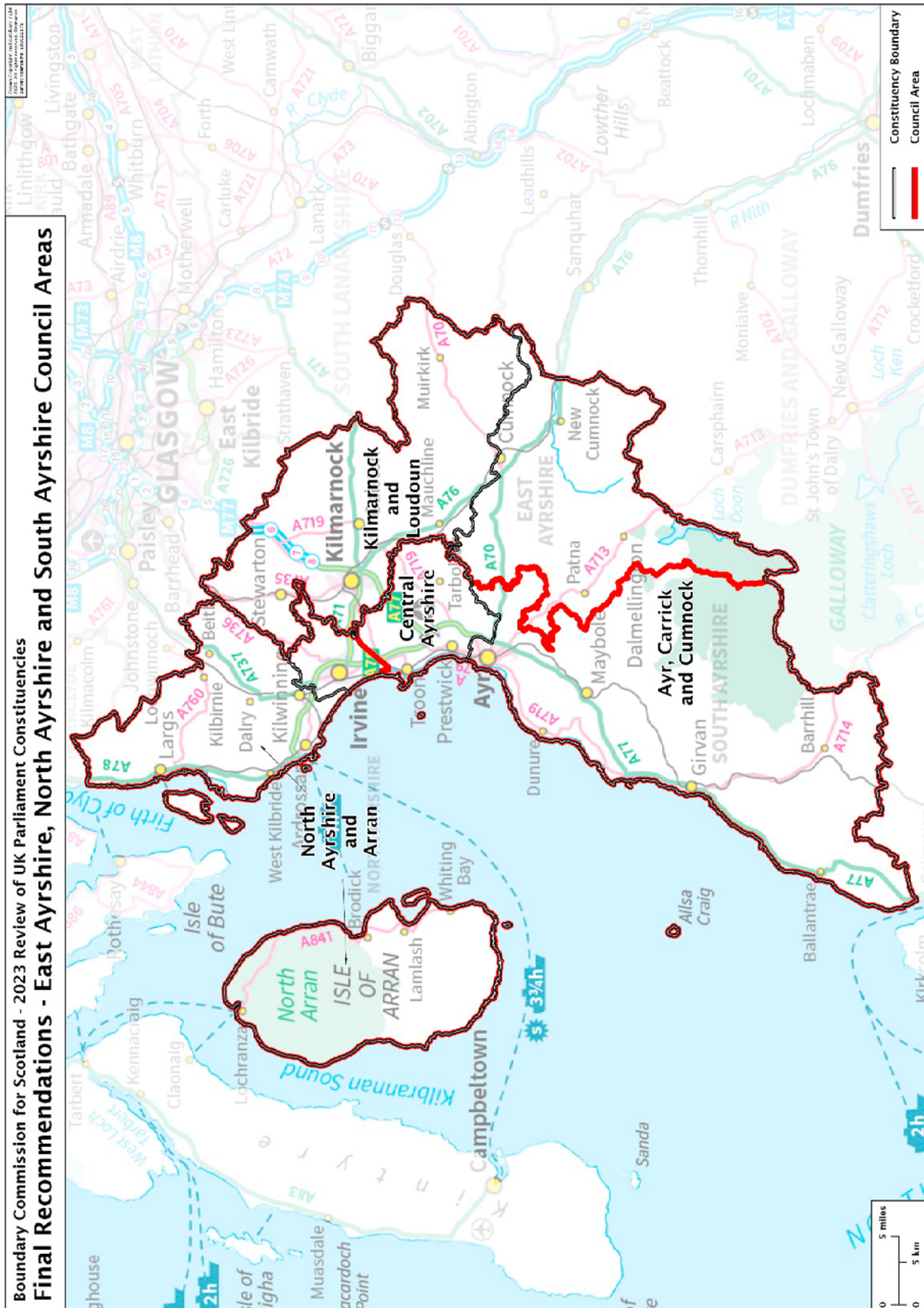
Table A4.4 – Final Recommendations

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Airdrie and Shotts	North Lanarkshire	County	70,420
Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk	Scottish Borders	County	74,687
Coatbridge and Bellshill	North Lanarkshire	Burgh	72,507
Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch	East Dunbartonshire North Lanarkshire	County	70,579
Dumfries and Galloway	Dumfries and Galloway	County	76,863
Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale	Dumfries and Galloway Scottish Borders South Lanarkshire	County	70,738
East Kilbride and Strathaven	South Lanarkshire	County	75,161
Hamilton and Clyde Valley	South Lanarkshire	County	74,577
Mid Dunbartonshire	East Dunbartonshire	County	75,099
Motherwell, Wishaw and Carluke	North Lanarkshire South Lanarkshire	County	72,318
Rutherglen	South Lanarkshire	Burgh	71,612
West Dunbartonshire	Glasgow City West Dunbartonshire	County	70,286
Total			874,847

Appendix A5

East Ayrshire; North Ayrshire; and South Ayrshire Council areas

Map – Final Recommendations: East Ayrshire; North Ayrshire; and South Ayrshire Council areas (maps of individual constituencies are located in Appendix G)



Constituencies at the start of this review

85. At the start of this review East Ayrshire Council area was covered by one constituency wholly within the council area and one constituency which also comprised part of South Ayrshire Council area. North Ayrshire Council area was covered by one constituency wholly within the council area and one constituency which also comprised part of South Ayrshire Council area. All of the constituencies were within the electoral quota. The constituencies are shown in Table A5.1.

Table A5.1 – Constituencies at the start of this review

Current constituency	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock	East Ayrshire South Ayrshire	County	72,057
Central Ayrshire	North Ayrshire South Ayrshire	County	69,779
Kilmarnock and Loudoun	East Ayrshire	County	74,801
North Ayrshire and Arran	North Ayrshire	County	73,588
Total			290,225

Initial Proposals

86. We designed constituencies for this area within our overall approach to grouping council areas for constituency design. Our proposed grouping for this area included four constituencies exactly covering the extent of East Ayrshire, North Ayrshire and South Ayrshire Council areas.
87. We discussed our Initial Proposals for these council areas in Paper 2021/09. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 12 April 2021. We agreed proposed constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2021/24. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 24 August 2021.
88. In deciding upon our Initial Proposals for East Ayrshire, North Ayrshire and South Ayrshire Council areas we agreed a constituency design that retained the existing constituencies because they considered local community ties and all four constituencies were within the electorate quota for the 2023 Review.
89. Our Initial Proposals were as shown in Table A5.2. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Initial Proposals were included in the maps of our Initial Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A5.2 – Initial Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock	East Ayrshire South Ayrshire	County	72,057
Central Ayrshire	North Ayrshire South Ayrshire	County	69,779
Kilmarnock and Loudoun	East Ayrshire	County	74,801
North Ayrshire and Arran	North Ayrshire	County	73,588
Total			290,225

90. On 14 October 2021, we published our Initial Proposals for these council areas for the specified initial consultation period of eight weeks.
91. We received 14 representations in response to the initial consultation on our Initial Proposals for East Ayrshire, North Ayrshire and South Ayrshire Council areas.
92. On 10 February 2022, we published the representations we received during the consultation for the specified secondary consultation period of six weeks. In response, we received a further four representations concerning East Ayrshire, North Ayrshire and South Ayrshire Council areas.

Revised Proposals

93. We considered the representations received on our Initial Proposals in these council areas in Paper 2022/09. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 9 May 2022.
94. There was little support or opposition to the Initial Proposals.
95. Some representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.
96. In response to all of the comments and suggestions to the consultation we decided to retain the existing constituencies and Initial Proposals as our Revised Proposals.
97. We agreed revised constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2022/20. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 18 July 2022.
98. Our Revised Proposals are shown in Table A5.3. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Revised Proposals were included in the maps of our Revised Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A5.3 – Revised Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock	East Ayrshire South Ayrshire	County	72,057
Central Ayrshire	North Ayrshire South Ayrshire	County	69,779
Kilmarnock and Loudoun	East Ayrshire	County	74,801
North Ayrshire and Arran	North Ayrshire	County	73,588
Total			290,225

99. On 8 November 2022, we published our Revised Proposals for constituencies in East Ayrshire, North Ayrshire and South Ayrshire Council areas for the specified consultation period of four weeks.
100. We received five representations in response to the consultation on our Revised Proposals for East Ayrshire, North Ayrshire and South Ayrshire Council areas. We discussed the alternative suggestion for an Ayr, Troon and Prestwick constituency which we had also considered at an earlier meeting but agreed that as a consequence it would create a large constituency extending from Stewarton to Ballantrae.
101. Some general representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

Final Recommendations

102. We considered the representations received in response to our public consultation on our Revised Proposals at our meeting of 14 February 2023. Paper 2023/03 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions.
103. In light of the lack of opposition or any alternative suggestions that we had not already considered, we agreed that no change was required to this aspect of our Revised Proposals and adopted it within our Final Recommendations.
104. We agreed recommended constituency names and designations at our meeting of 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/14 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions. We decided to make no changes to the constituency names.
105. Details of our Final Recommendations for constituencies in East Ayrshire, North Ayrshire and South Ayrshire Council areas are in Table A5.4. Maps of individual constituencies in the Final Recommendations are available in Appendix G. Constituency by council area is in Appendix E and individual wards contained in each constituency in Appendix F. Analysis of the Final Recommendations appears in Chapter 5.

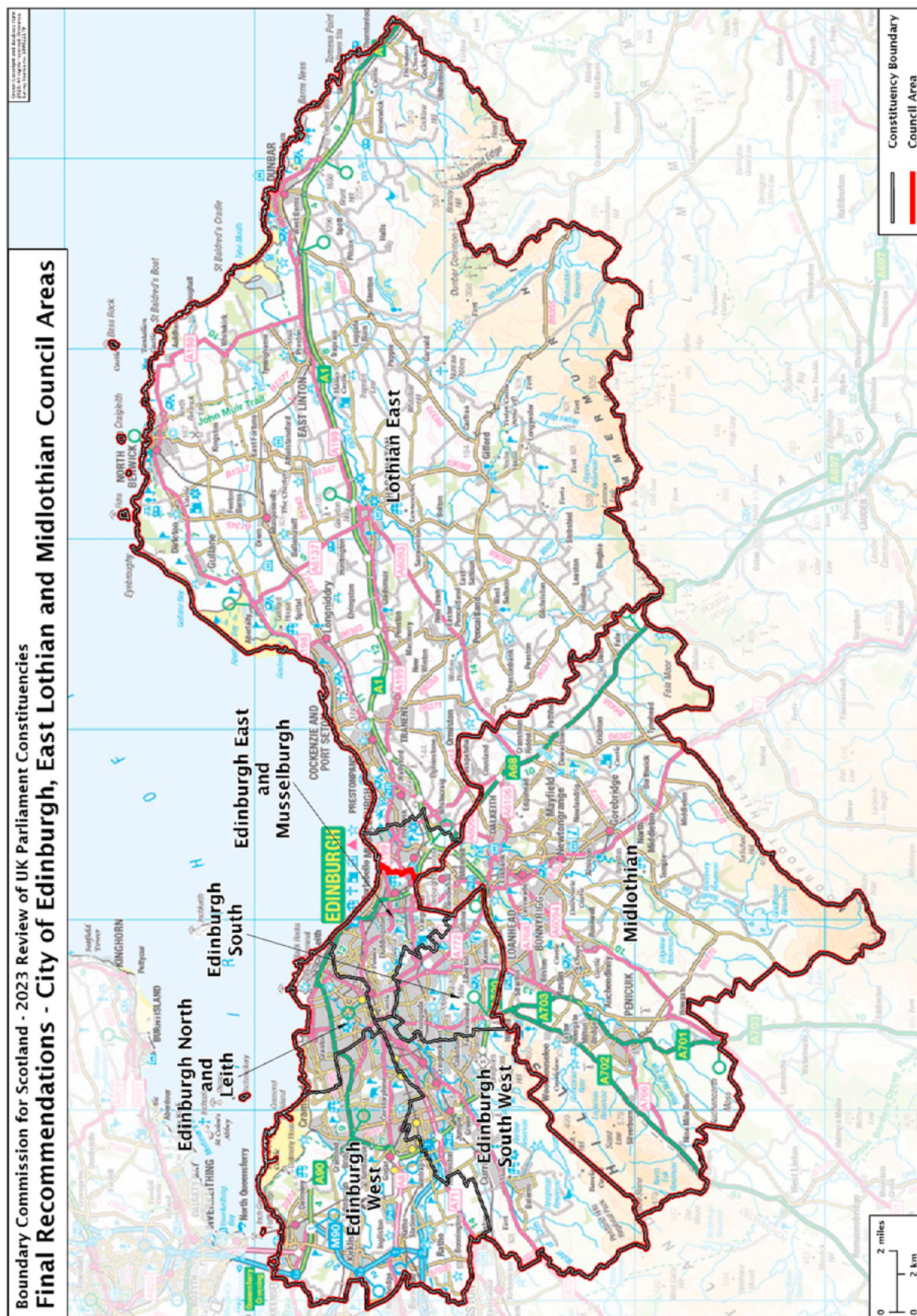
Table A5.4 – Final Recommendations

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock	East Ayrshire South Ayrshire	County	72,057
Central Ayrshire	North Ayrshire South Ayrshire	County	69,779
Kilmarnock and Loudoun	East Ayrshire	County	74,801
North Ayrshire and Arran	North Ayrshire	County	73,588
Total			290,225

Appendix A6

East Lothian; Edinburgh, City of; and Midlothian Council areas

Map – Final Recommendations: City of Edinburgh; East Lothian; and Midlothian Council areas (maps of individual constituencies are located in Appendix G)



Constituencies at the start of this review

106. At the start of this review, City of Edinburgh had five constituencies wholly within its council area, East Lothian had one constituency wholly within its council area and Midlothian had one constituency wholly within its council area. Three constituencies were within the electoral quota. The constituencies are shown in Table A6.1.

Table A6.1 – Constituencies at the start of this review

Current constituency	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
East Lothian	East Lothian	County	82,479
Edinburgh East	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	69,020
Edinburgh North and Leith	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	80,344
Edinburgh South	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	66,520
Edinburgh South West	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	73,315
Edinburgh West	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	73,102
Midlothian	Midlothian	County	71,210
Total			515,990

Initial Proposals

107. We designed constituencies for this area within our overall approach to grouping council areas for constituency design. Our proposed grouping included: four constituencies within City of Edinburgh Council area; one constituency partly in City of Edinburgh Council area and partly in East Lothian Council area; one constituency within East Lothian Council area; and one constituency wholly within with Midlothian Council area.
108. We discussed our Initial Proposals for these council areas in Paper 2021/13. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 17 May 2021. We agreed proposed constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2021/24. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 24 August 2021.
109. In deciding upon our Initial Proposals for City of Edinburgh, East Lothian and Midlothian Council areas we agreed to retain the overall number of constituencies at seven. The existing Midlothian constituency was unchanged. In Edinburgh, the existing Edinburgh South West constituency and the existing constituency names were unchanged. There were minor changes to the boundary between the Edinburgh West and Edinburgh North and Leith constituencies at Craighleith and the Dean Village. The boundary between the Edinburgh East and Edinburgh South constituencies was amended at Prestonfield. The Edinburgh East constituency included the western half of Musselburgh. In East Lothian, due to the electorate growth, part of Musselburgh was added to an Edinburgh East constituency. The constituency was named East Lothian Coast as it no longer followed the East Lothian Council area boundary.
110. Our Initial Proposals were as shown in Table A6.2. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Initial Proposals were included in the maps of our Initial Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A6.2 – Initial Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
East Lothian Coast	East Lothian	County	73,939
Edinburgh East	East Lothian and City of Edinburgh	Burgh	73,187
Edinburgh North and Leith	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	76,543
Edinburgh South	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	70,893
Edinburgh South West	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	73,315
Edinburgh West	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	76,903
Midlothian	Midlothian	County	71,210
Total			515,990

111. On 14 October 2021, we published our Initial Proposals for these council areas for the specified initial consultation period of eight weeks.
112. We received 64 representations in response to the initial consultation on our Initial Proposals for City of Edinburgh, East Lothian and Midlothian Council areas.
113. On 10 February 2022, we published the representations we received during the consultation for the specified secondary consultation period of six weeks. In response, we received a further 19 representations concerning City of Edinburgh, East Lothian and Midlothian Council areas.

Revised Proposals

114. We considered the representations received on our Initial Proposals in these council areas in Paper 2022/10 and Paper 2022/14. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meetings of 9 May 2022 and 6 June 2022.
115. The comments and suggestions received during the initial consultation included: opposition to the proposed boundary in Musselburgh as it split the town between two constituencies; support for the Initial Proposals in Edinburgh and Midlothian; and some minor alternative boundary suggestions in Edinburgh.
116. Some representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.
117. In response to all of the comments and suggestions to the consultation we decided to make a number of changes to the Initial Proposals. The proposed Midlothian constituency and Edinburgh South West constituency were unchanged from the existing arrangements and the Initial Proposals. The other Edinburgh constituency names were unchanged from the existing arrangements and Initial Proposals but there were changes to the proposed constituency boundaries from the Initial Proposals at Pilton and Craigleith with minor changes at Bruntsfield and Moredun. The proposed Edinburgh East constituency included a larger part of Musselburgh than the Initial Proposals in order to better reflect local ties there. In East Lothian we amended the boundary at Musselburgh and re-named the proposed constituency as East Lothian and Lammermuirs to reflect the extensive geography of the constituency and that it no longer followed the East Lothian Council area boundary.

118. We agreed revised constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2022/20. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 18 July 2022.
119. Our Revised Proposals are shown in Table A6.3. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Revised Proposals were included in the maps of our Revised Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A6.3 – Revised Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
East Lothian and Lammermuirs	East Lothian	County	71,287
Edinburgh East	East Lothian City of Edinburgh	Burgh	75,705
Edinburgh North and Leith	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	76,770
Edinburgh South	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	70,980
Edinburgh South West	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	73,315
Edinburgh West	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	76,723
Midlothian	Midlothian	County	71,210
Total			515,990

120. On 8 November 2022, we published our Revised Proposals for constituencies in City of Edinburgh, East Lothian and Midlothian Council areas for the specified consultation period of four weeks.
121. We received 63 representations in response to the consultation on our Revised Proposals for City of Edinburgh, East Lothian and Midlothian Council areas. There was some support or lack of opposition to our Revised Proposals in Edinburgh and Midlothian. In East Lothian some opposition remained to adding Musselburgh to an Edinburgh East constituency.
122. Some general representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

Final Recommendations

123. We considered the representations received in response to our public consultation on our Revised Proposals at our meeting of 14 February 2023. Paper 2023/04 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions.
124. We agreed to retain our Revised Proposals as our Final Recommendations, except for a minor change in Greenbank so that the Edinburgh South West constituency followed a ward boundary. We noted any alternative solution for not placing Musselburgh in an Edinburgh East constituency would break local ties in Midlothian or the Scottish Borders where there was some support for the Revised Proposals.
125. We agreed recommended constituency names and designations at our meeting of 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/14 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions. We decided to: include Musselburgh in a constituency name and renamed Edinburgh East as Edinburgh East and Musselburgh; and renamed East Lothian and Lammermuirs as Lothian East because of opposition to the proposed name and that it no longer followed the East Lothian Council area boundary.

126. Details of our Final Recommendations for constituencies in City of Edinburgh, East Lothian and Midlothian Council areas are in Table A6.4. Maps of individual constituencies in the Final Recommendations are available in Appendix G. Constituency by council area is in Appendix E and individual wards contained in each constituency in Appendix F. Analysis of the Final Recommendations appears in Chapter 5.

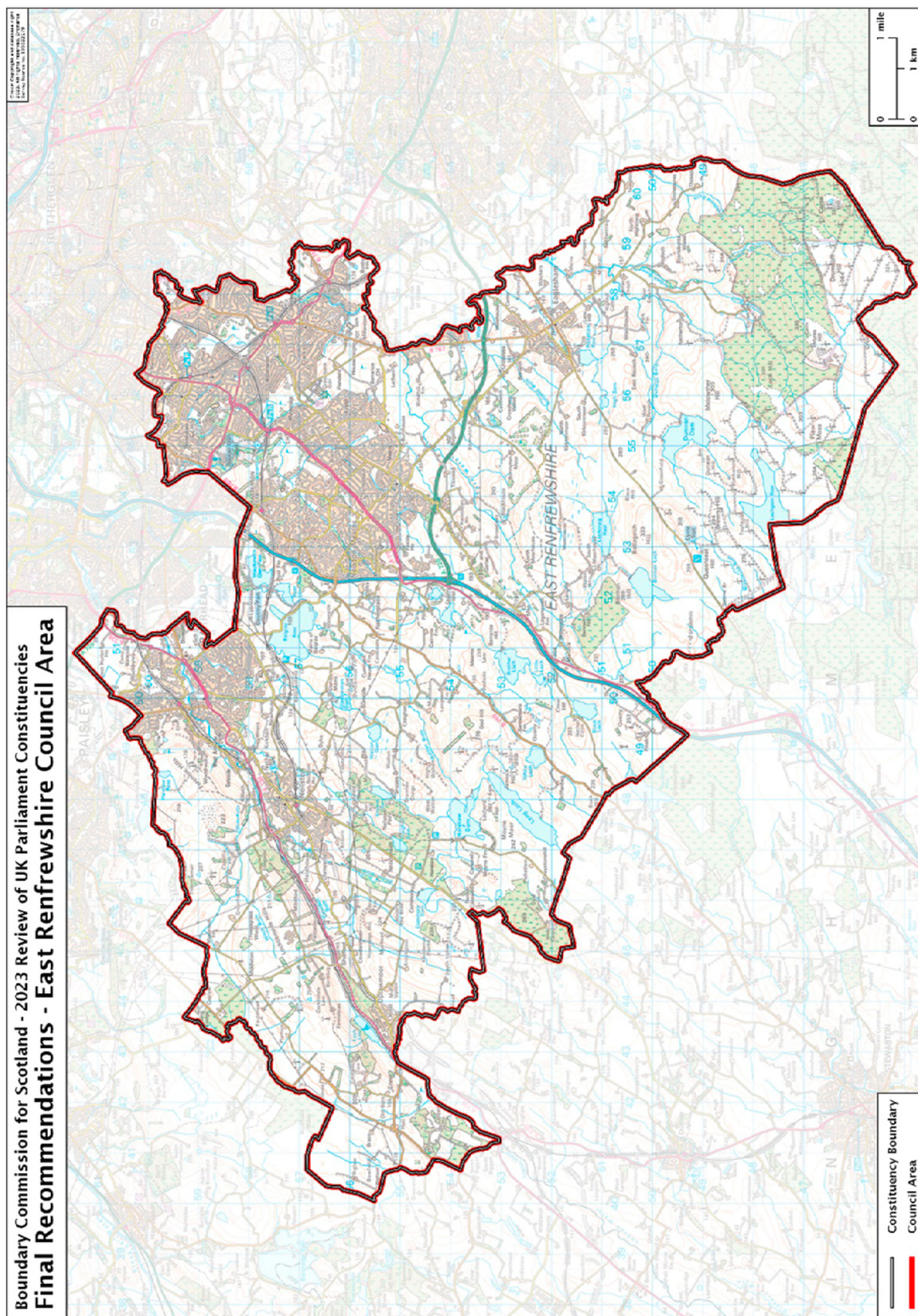
Table A6.4 – Final Recommendations

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Edinburgh East and Musselburgh	East Lothian City of Edinburgh	Burgh	75,705
Edinburgh North and Leith	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	76,770
Edinburgh South	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	70,980
Edinburgh South West	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	73,315
Edinburgh West	City of Edinburgh	Burgh	76,723
Lothian East	East Lothian	County	71,287
Midlothian	Midlothian	County	71,210
Total			515,990

Appendix A7

East Renfrewshire Council area

Map – Final Recommendations: East Renfrewshire Council area (maps of individual constituencies are located in Appendix G)



Constituencies at the start of this review

127. At the start of this review, East Renfrewshire Council area was covered by a single constituency, coterminous with the council area boundary, and within the electoral quota. The constituency is shown in Table A7.1.

Table A7.1 – Constituencies at the start of this review

Current constituency	Council area	Designation	Electorate
East Renfrewshire	East Renfrewshire	County	72,959

Initial Proposals

128. We designed constituencies for this area within our overall approach to grouping council areas for constituency design. Our proposed grouping for this area included one constituency exactly covering the extent of East Renfrewshire Council area.
129. We discussed our Initial Proposals for this council area in Paper 2021/10. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 12 April 2021. We agreed the proposed constituency name and designation after considering Paper 2021/24. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 24 August 2021.
130. In deciding upon our Initial Proposals for East Renfrewshire Council area we agreed to retain the existing constituency, it followed the East Renfrewshire Council area boundary and was within the electorate quota for the 2023 Review.
131. Our Initial Proposals were as shown in Table A7.2. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Initial Proposals were included in the maps of our Initial Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A7.2 – Initial Proposals

Constituency name	Council area	Designation	Electorate
East Renfrewshire	East Renfrewshire	County	72,959

132. On 14 October 2021, we published our Initial Proposals for this council area for the specified initial consultation period of eight weeks.
133. We received 12 representations in response to the initial consultation on our Initial Proposals for East Renfrewshire Council area.
134. On 10 February 2022, we published the representations we received during the consultation for the specified secondary consultation period of six weeks. In response, we received a further two representations concerning East Renfrewshire Council area.

Revised Proposals

135. We considered the representations received on our Initial Proposals in this council area in Paper 2022/07. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 9 May 2022.
136. There was little support or opposition to the Initial Proposals and no alternative suggestions were submitted.

137. Some representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.
138. In response to all of the comments and suggestions to the consultation we decided to retain our Initial Proposals as our Revised Proposals.
139. We agreed revised constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2022/20. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 18 July 2022.
140. Our Revised Proposals are shown in Table A7.3. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Revised Proposals were included in the maps of our Revised Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A7.3 – Revised Proposals

Constituency name	Council area	Designation	Electorate
East Renfrewshire	East Renfrewshire	County	72,959

141. On 8 November 2022, we published our Revised Proposals for an East Renfrewshire constituency for the specified consultation period of four weeks.
142. We received two representations in response to the consultation on our Revised Proposals for East Renfrewshire Council area. One supported our proposals, the other made a suggestion outwith the legislation.
143. Some general representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

Final Recommendations

144. We considered the representations received in response to our public consultation on our Revised Proposals at our meeting of 14 February 2023. Paper 2023/01 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions.
145. In light of the lack of opposition or any alternative suggestions within statutory rules we agreed that no change was required to this aspect of our Revised Proposals and adopted it within our Final Recommendations.
146. We agreed recommended constituency names and designations at our meeting of 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/14 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions. We decided to make no changes to the constituency names.
147. Details of our Final Recommendations for constituencies in East Renfrewshire Council area are in Table A7.4. Maps of individual constituencies in the Final Recommendations are available in Appendix G. Constituency by council area is in Appendix E and individual wards contained in each constituency in Appendix F. Analysis of the Final Recommendations appears in Chapter 5.

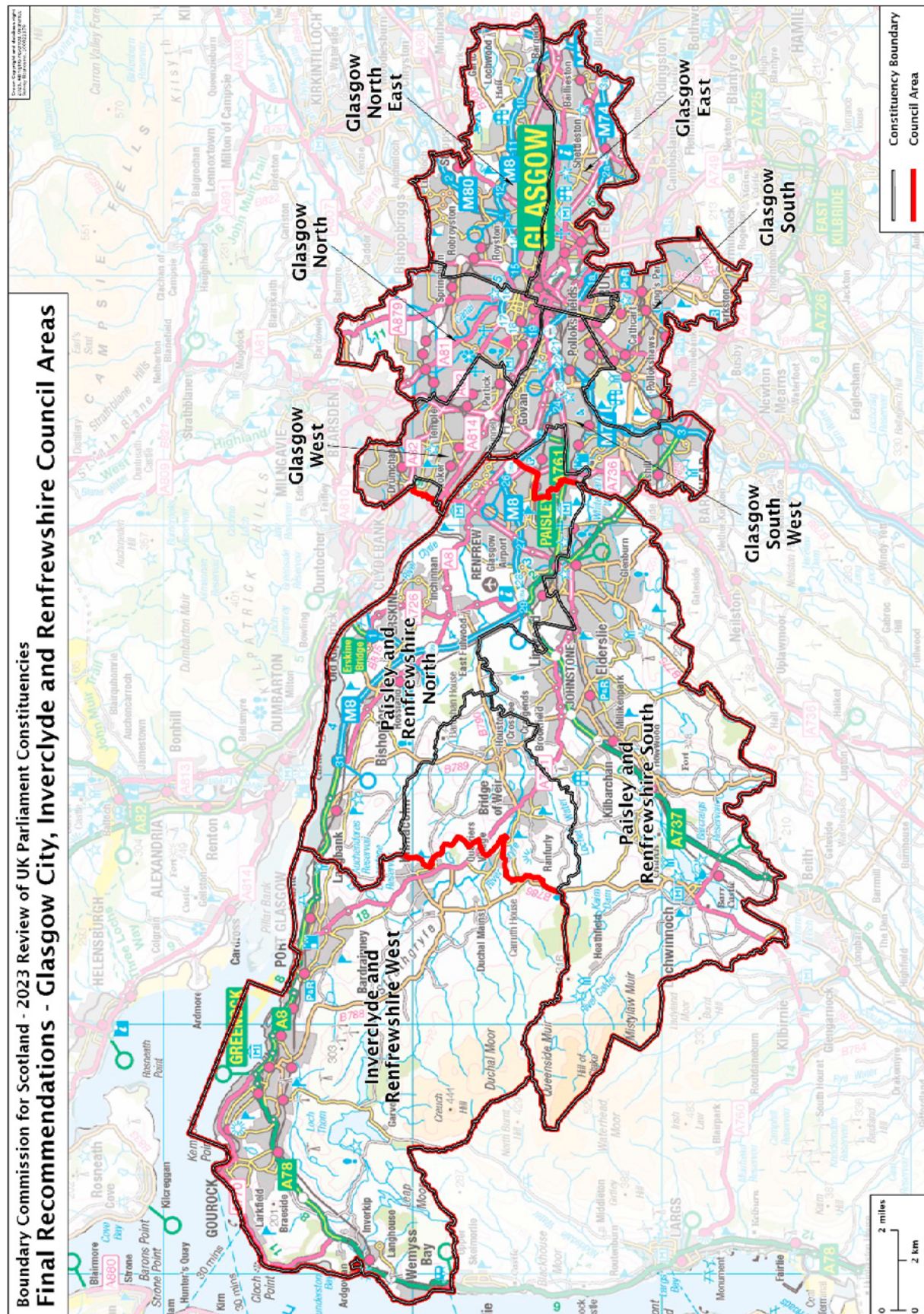
Table A7.4 – Final Recommendations

Constituency name	Council area	Designation	Electorate
East Renfrewshire	East Renfrewshire	County	72,959

Appendix A8

Glasgow City; Inverclyde; and Renfrewshire Council areas

Map – Final Recommendations: Glasgow City; Inverclyde; and Renfrewshire Council areas (maps of individual constituencies are located in Appendix G)



Constituencies at the start of this review

148. At the start of this review, Glasgow City had seven constituencies wholly within its council area, Inverclyde had one constituency wholly within its council area and Renfrewshire had two constituencies wholly within its council area. Two of the existing constituencies were within the electoral quota. The constituencies are shown in Table A8.1.

Table A8.1 – Constituencies at the start of this review

Current constituency	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Glasgow Central	Glasgow City	Burgh	67,914
Glasgow East	Glasgow City	Burgh	66,945
Glasgow North	Glasgow City	Burgh	55,722
Glasgow North East	Glasgow City	Burgh	59,954
Glasgow North West	Glasgow City	Burgh	63,110
Glasgow South	Glasgow City	Burgh	69,956
Glasgow South West	Glasgow City	Burgh	63,691
Inverclyde	Inverclyde	County	61,096
Paisley and Renfrewshire North	Renfrewshire	County	72,576
Paisley and Renfrewshire South	Renfrewshire	County	64,884
Total			645,848

Initial Proposals

149. We designed constituencies for this area within our overall approach to grouping council areas for constituency design. Our proposed grouping for this area included six constituencies within Glasgow City Council area, one constituency partly in Glasgow City Council area and partly in Renfrewshire Council area, one constituency within Renfrewshire Council area and one constituency partly in Inverclyde Council area and partly in Renfrewshire Council area.
150. We discussed our Initial Proposals for these council areas in Paper 2021/15 and Paper 2021/21. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meetings of 19 July 2021 and 24 August 2021. We agreed proposed constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2021/24. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 24 August 2021.
151. In deciding upon our Initial Proposals for Glasgow City, Inverclyde and Renfrewshire Council areas we proposed nine constituencies within this grouping. There are currently 10 constituencies. The proposed Inverclyde and Bridge of Weir constituency included the whole of Inverclyde Council area, Bridge of Weir and Houston. The proposed Renfrew North and Renfrew South constituencies maintained a north-south split of Paisley. The Renfrew North constituency included part of Cardonald from Glasgow City Council area. Glasgow City Council area contained six constituencies wholly within the council area. The proposed Glasgow West constituency was similar to the existing Glasgow North West constituency except for minor changes to the boundary by Anniesland and Partick. The proposed Glasgow North constituency included the city-centre, Maryhill and Possilpark. The proposed Glasgow Central constituency extended from Govanhill to Robroyston. The proposed Glasgow South

constituency included Castlemilk and Shawlands. The proposed Glasgow South West constituency extended from Govan to Nittshill. The proposed Glasgow East constituency followed ward boundaries and included Shettleston and Easterhouse. A small area by Yoker was added to a West Dunbartonshire constituency.

152. Our Initial Proposals were as shown in Table A8.2. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Initial Proposals were included in the maps of our Initial Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A8.2 – Initial Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Glasgow Central	Glasgow City	Burgh	72,600
Glasgow East	Glasgow City	Burgh	72,384
Glasgow North	Glasgow City	Burgh	73,316
Glasgow South	Glasgow City	Burgh	70,191
Glasgow South West	Glasgow City	Burgh	71,584
Glasgow West	Glasgow City	Burgh	71,493
Inverclyde and Bridge of Weir	Inverclyde Renfrewshire	County	70,476
Renfrew North	Glasgow City Renfrewshire	Burgh	69,883
Renfrew South	Renfrewshire	County	69,813
Total			641,740

153. On 14 October 2021, we published our Initial Proposals for these council areas for the specified initial consultation period of eight weeks.
154. We received 67 representations in response to the initial consultation on our Initial Proposals for Glasgow City, Inverclyde and Renfrewshire Council areas.
155. On 10 February 2022, we published the representations we received during the consultation for the specified secondary consultation period of six weeks. In response, we received a further 22 representations concerning Glasgow City, Inverclyde and Renfrewshire Council areas.

Revised Proposals

156. We considered the representations received on our Initial Proposals in these council areas in Paper 2022/17 and Paper 2022/19. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meetings of 6 June 2022 and 18 July 2022.
157. The comments and suggestions received during the initial consultation included: opposition to the proposed boundaries in the east of Glasgow; opposition to the breaking of local ties in Strathbungo; opposition to the proposed boundary at Cardonald with a constituency crossing the Glasgow-Renfrewshire Council area boundary; comments regarding the proposed constituency names in Renfrewshire; and opposition to the proposed Inverclyde and Bridge of Weir constituency.
158. Some representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

159. In response to all of the comments and suggestions to the consultation we decided to retain the proposed Inverclyde and Renfrewshire constituency boundaries from the Initial Proposals but the constituencies were re-named: Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West; Paisley and Renfrewshire North; and Paisley and Renfrewshire South. The Revised Proposals made changes to all of the Glasgow constituency boundaries. These included two new constituency boundaries in the east of Glasgow, as well as minor changes by: Arden; Strathbungo; Strathcona; and Yoker.
160. We agreed revised constituency names and designations after considering Paper 2022/20. Our discussion and conclusions are recorded in the minutes of our meeting of 18 July 2022.
161. Our Revised Proposals are shown in Table A8.3. Details of the wards contained within each constituency in the Revised Proposals were included in the maps of our Revised Proposals which are available on our website.

Table A8.3 – Revised Proposals

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Glasgow North	Glasgow City	Burgh	73,210
Glasgow North East	Glasgow City	Burgh	75,236
Glasgow South	Glasgow City	Burgh	71,344
Glasgow South East	Glasgow City	Burgh	69,748
Glasgow South West	Glasgow City	Burgh	70,431
Glasgow West	Glasgow City	Burgh	72,499
Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West	Inverclyde Renfrewshire	County	70,476
Paisley and Renfrewshire North	Glasgow City Renfrewshire	Burgh	69,883
Paisley and Renfrewshire South	Renfrewshire	County	69,813
Total			642,640

162. On 8 November 2022, we published our Revised Proposals for constituencies in Glasgow City, Inverclyde and Renfrewshire Council areas for the specified consultation period of four weeks.
163. We received 44 representations in response to the consultation on the Revised Proposals for Glasgow City, Inverclyde and Renfrewshire Council areas. There was little opposition to the Revised Proposals in Inverclyde. We received a range of comments on the boundaries in Glasgow and Renfrewshire.
164. Some general representations contained suggestions that did not comply with the statutory rules governing this review. These mainly opposed a reduction in the number of MPs in Scotland. We did not consider those suggestions further.

Final Recommendations

165. We considered the representations received in response to our public consultation on our Revised Proposals at our meetings of 14 February 2023 and 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/05 and Paper 2023/10 and the minutes of our meetings record our discussion and conclusions.

166. We noted no alternative boundaries were suggested to resolve any of the concerns raised in Cardonald which had placed that area of Glasgow in a Paisley and Renfrewshire North constituency and we noted there were no strong physical features demarcating the boundary between Glasgow City and Renfrewshire Council areas at Cardonald. We adopted suggestions from the consultation and agreed to make minor amendments to our boundaries at Dargavel in Renfrewshire and Port Dundas in Glasgow to take account of ongoing housing developments. We also re-considered our Initial and Revised Proposals in the east of Glasgow but retained our Revised Proposals as our Final Recommendations there because they had considered other electoral boundaries.
167. We agreed recommended constituency names and designations at our meeting of 20 March 2023. Paper 2023/14 and the minutes of our meeting record our discussion and conclusions. We decided to make one change to the constituency names: Glasgow South East was renamed Glasgow East.
168. Details of our Final Recommendations for constituencies in Glasgow City, Inverclyde and Renfrewshire Council areas are in Table A8.4. Maps of individual constituencies in the Final Recommendations are available in Appendix G. Constituency by council area is in Appendix E and individual wards contained in each constituency in Appendix F. Analysis of the Final Recommendations appears in Chapter 5.

Table A8.4 – Final Recommendations

Constituency name	Council areas	Designation	Electorate
Glasgow East	Glasgow City	Burgh	69,748
Glasgow North	Glasgow City	Burgh	73,210
Glasgow North East	Glasgow City	Burgh	75,236
Glasgow South	Glasgow City	Burgh	71,344
Glasgow South West	Glasgow City	Burgh	70,431
Glasgow West	Glasgow City	Burgh	72,499
Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West	Inverclyde Renfrewshire	County	70,418
Paisley and Renfrewshire North	Glasgow City Renfrewshire	Burgh	69,941
Paisley and Renfrewshire South	Renfrewshire	County	69,813
Total			642,640

Appendix B

UK Parliamentary electorate and theoretical entitlement to constituencies for mainland council areas

169. Table B.1 shows the theoretical entitlement to constituencies which is calculated by dividing the council area electorate by the United Kingdom electoral quota.

Table B.1 – Mainland council area electorate and theoretical entitlement to constituencies

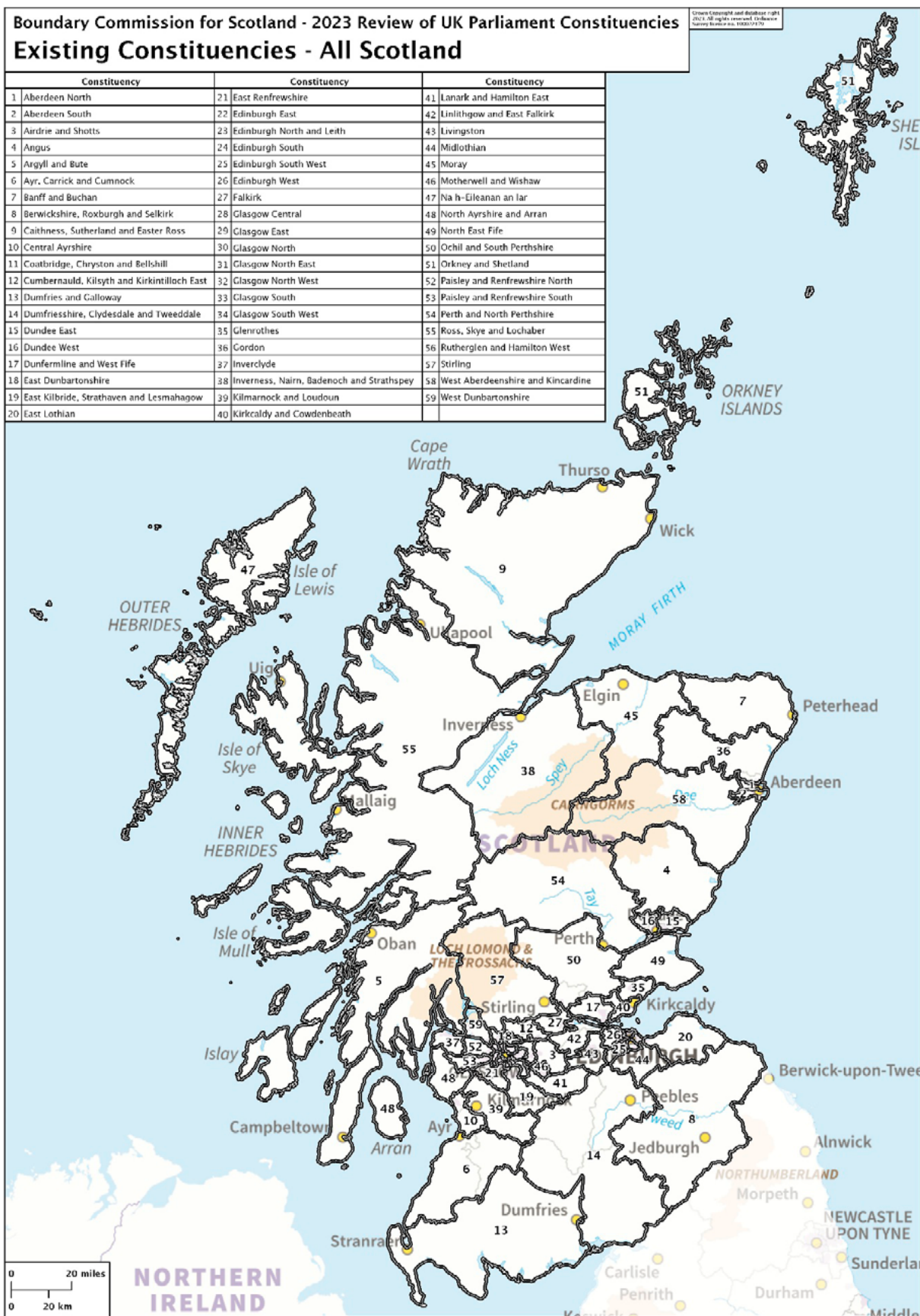
Council area	Electorate 2 March 2020	Theoretical entitlement
Aberdeen City	153,455	2.09
Aberdeenshire	196,772	2.68
Angus	89,967	1.23
Argyll and Bute	67,565	0.92
City of Edinburgh	362,301	4.94
Clackmannanshire	39,464	0.54
Dumfries and Galloway	117,760	1.60
Dundee City	107,950	1.47
East Ayrshire	94,206	1.28
East Dunbartonshire	85,039	1.16
East Lothian	82,479	1.12
East Renfrewshire	72,959	0.99
Falkirk	122,963	1.68
Fife	278,015	3.79
Glasgow City	446,575	6.08
Highland	179,503	2.45
Inverclyde	61,096	0.83
Midlothian	71,210	0.97
Moray	71,537	0.97
North Ayrshire	106,236	1.45
North Lanarkshire	258,240	3.52
Perth and Kinross	114,440	1.56
Renfrewshire	137,460	1.87
Scottish Borders	90,667	1.24
South Ayrshire	89,783	1.22
South Lanarkshire	252,855	3.45
Stirling	70,085	0.95
West Dunbartonshire	67,795	0.92
West Lothian	135,234	1.84
	4,023,611	55
<i>Na h-Eileanan an Iar</i>	<i>21,177</i>	
<i>Orkney Islands and Shetland Islands</i>	<i>34,824</i>	
Scotland total	4,079,612	

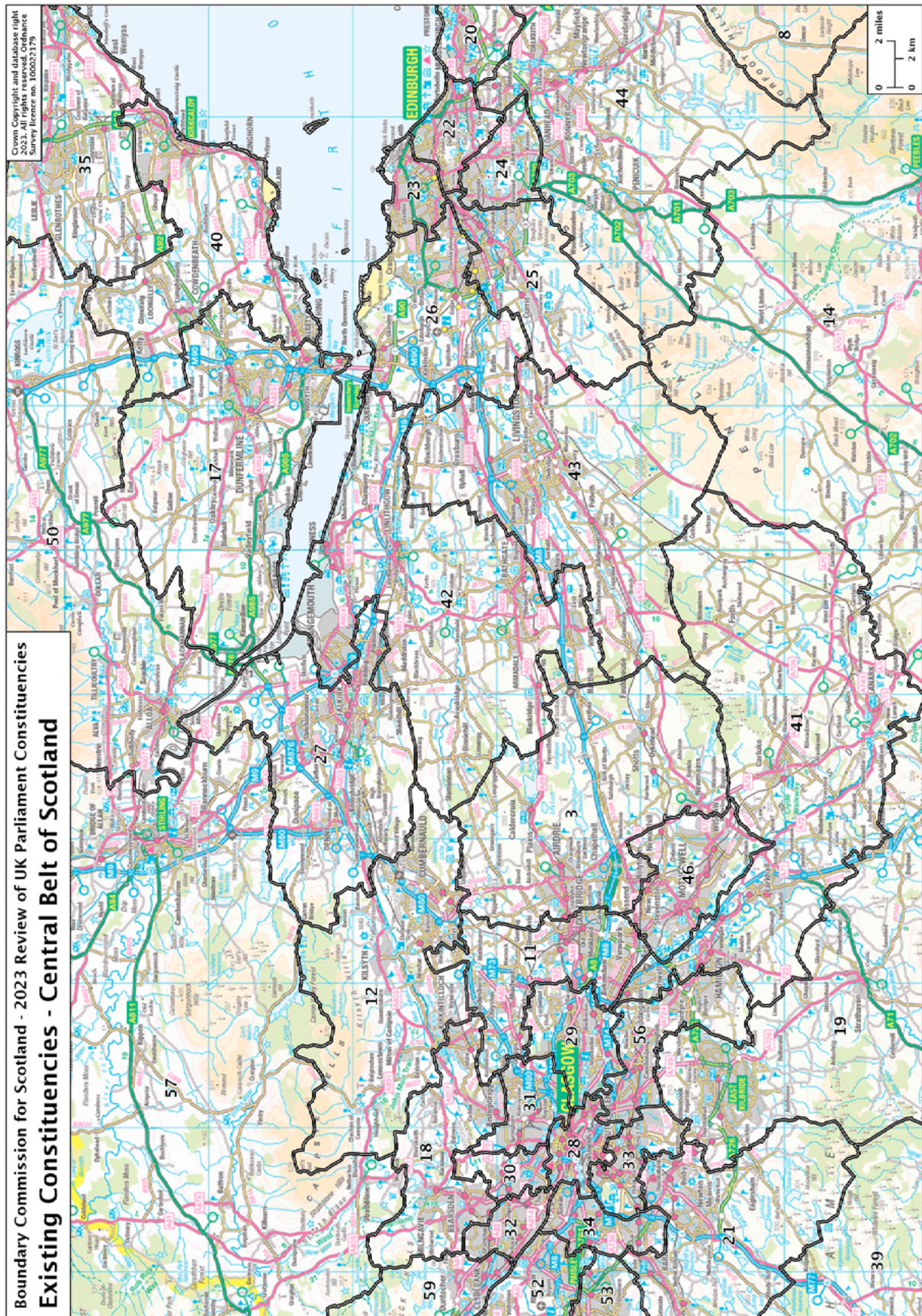
Map B.2 – Theoretical entitlement to constituencies for mainland council areas



Appendix C

Constituencies at the start of the 2023 Review





Appendix D

Public Hearings

170. The Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986 (as amended) states we must hold between two and five Public Hearings during the secondary consultation period on our Initial Proposals.
171. Each Public Hearing had a geographic focus covering a number of council areas. The majority of comments made at a Hearing related to the area of geographic focus, but we made it clear that someone attending any Hearing was able to comment on our Initial Proposals for any part of Scotland.
172. Each Hearing was chaired by a Sheriff Principal. We offered three sessions depending on demand: 10am–12pm, 2pm–4pm and 6pm–8pm.
173. People were welcome to attend a Hearing, whether wishing to speak or not. They did not need to attend for the whole day, but were free to arrive or leave when they wished. People did not have to let us know in advance if they wanted to speak at a Hearing, but it assisted the planning of the Hearing if we knew who was intending to speak. Those intending to speak could contact us in advance to arrange a specific time during the Hearing to do so.
174. At each Public Hearing, our Secretary made a short statement to explain our proposals for the area and how representations could be made.
175. Table D.1 lists the Public Hearings.

Table D.1 – Public Hearing dates, locations, chairs

Date	Hearing	Chair	Focus (council area)
16 Feb 2022	Edinburgh Apex Hotel, Waterloo Place, Edinburgh EH1 3BH	Sheriff Principal Stephen	City of Edinburgh, East Lothian, Midlothian
18 Feb 2022	Perth Joan Knight Studio, Perth Theatre, Mill Street, Perth PH1 5HZ	Sheriff Principal Lewis	Angus, Clackmannanshire, Dundee City, Falkirk, Fife, Perth and Kinross, Stirling and West Lothian.
23 Feb 2022	Glasgow DoubleTree by Hilton, 36 Cambridge Street, Glasgow G2 3HN	Sheriff Principal Turnbull	Dumfries and Galloway, East Dunbartonshire, North Lanarkshire, South Lanarkshire, Scottish Borders and West Dunbartonshire. East Ayrshire, North Ayrshire and South Ayrshire. East Renfrewshire. Glasgow City, Inverclyde and Renfrewshire.

Date	Hearing	Chair	Focus (council area)
25 Feb 2022	Inverness Jury's Inn Hotel, Millburn Road, Inverness IV2 3TR	Sheriff Principal Pyle	Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire, Argyll and Bute, Highland and Moray
1 Mar 2022	Oban Corran Halls, 54 Corran Esplanade, Oban PA34 5AB	Sheriff Principal Murray	Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire, Argyll and Bute, Highland and Moray

176. In order to provide a consistent approach, we issued a guidance document to the Chair of each Hearing.
177. Twelve people spoke at the Hearings; this was a lower than expected number partly due to the inclement weather conditions on some of those dates and that the legislation does not permit attendance by video-conference. Most of the attendees were associated with a political party or a member of parliament. We are grateful to all participants for assisting in the review. We published transcripts of the Hearings at the same time as we commenced the consultation on our Revised Proposals.

Appendix E

Recommended constituencies: relationship with council areas and wards

Table E.1 – Constituencies within each council area

Council area	Wards*	Recommended constituency
Aberdeen City	1–6, 7 (part)	Aberdeen North
	7 (part), 8–13	Aberdeen South
Aberdeenshire	1–3, 4 (part), 5, 6	Aberdeenshire North and Moray East (part)
	4 (part), 7–9, 10 (part), 11, 12 (part), 14 (part)	Gordon and Buchan
	10 (part), 12 (part), 13, 14 (part), 15–19	West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine
Angus	1–3, 4 (part), 8	Angus and Perthshire Glens (part)
	4 (part), 5–7	Arbroath and Broughty Ferry (part)
Argyll and Bute	All	Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber (part)
City of Edinburgh	11 (part), 12 (part), 13 (part), 14, 15 (part), 17	Edinburgh East and Musselburgh (part)
	1 (part), 4, 5 (part), 11 (part), 12 (part), 13 (part)	Edinburgh North and Leith
	8 (part), 10 (part), 15 (part), 16	Edinburgh South
	2 (part), 3 (part), 7 (part), 8 (part), 9, 10 (part), 11 (part)	Edinburgh South West
	1 (part), 2 (part), 3 (part), 5 (part), 6, 7 (part), 11 (part)	Edinburgh West
Clackmannanshire	1–4, 5 (part)	Alloa and Grangemouth (part)
	5 (part)	Dunfermline and Dollar (part)
Dumfries and Galloway	1–6, 7 (part), 8 (part), 9	Dumfries and Galloway
	7 (part), 8 (part), 10–12	Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale (part)
Dundee City	6, 7 (part), 8	Arbroath and Broughty Ferry (part)
	1–5, 7 (part)	Dundee Central
East Ayrshire	8 (part), 9	Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock (part)
	1–7, 8 (part)	Kilmarnock and Loudoun
East Dunbartonshire	6 (part), 7 (part)	Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch (part)
	1–5, 6 (part), 7 (part)	Mid Dunbartonshire

Council area	Wards*	Recommended constituency
East Lothian	1 (part)	Edinburgh East and Musselburgh (part)
	1 (part), 2–6	Lothian East
East Renfrewshire	All wards	East Renfrewshire
Falkirk	2, 4, 5 (part)	Alloa and Grangemouth (part)
	1	Bathgate and Linlithgow (part)
	3, 5 (part), 6–9	Falkirk
Fife	2 (part), 6, 7 (part), 9–12	Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy
	1, 2 (part), 3–5	Dunfermline and Dollar (part)
	7 (part), 8, 13–15, 22	Glenrothes and Mid Fife
	16–21	North East Fife
Glasgow City	8 (part), 9 (part), 10 (part), 19, 20 (part)	Glasgow East
	10 (part), 11, 15, 16, 23 (part)	Glasgow North
	9 (part), 10 (part), 17, 18, 20 (part), 21, 22	Glasgow North East
	1, 2 (part), 6 (part), 7, 8 (part)	Glasgow South
	2 (part), 3, 4 (part), 5, 6 (part)	Glasgow South West
	12, 13 (part), 14, 23 (part)	Glasgow West
	4 (part)	Paisley and Renfrewshire North (part)
	13 (part)	West Dunbartonshire (part)
Highland	21 (part)	Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber (part)
	1–4, 5 (part), 6–9, 12 (part)	Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross
	5 (part), 10, 11, 12 (part), 13–16, 17 (part), 19, 21 (part)	Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire
	17 (part), 18, 20	Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey (part)
Inverclyde	All wards	Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West (part)
Midlothian	All wards	Midlothian
Moray	2, 3, 4 (part)	Aberdeenshire North and Moray East (part)
	1, 4 (part), 5–8	Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey (part)
Na h-Eileanan an Iar	All	Na h-Eileanan an Iar

Council area	Wards*	Recommended constituency
North Ayrshire	1, 2, 3 (part), 10	Central Ayrshire (part)
	3 (part), 4–9	North Ayrshire and Arran
North Lanarkshire	8, 9 (part), 12, 13, 16 (part), 18 (part), 20 (part)	Airdrie and Shotts
	6, 7, 9 (part), 10, 11, 14, 15, 16 (part)	Coatbridge and Bellshill
	1–5	Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch (part)
	17, 18 (part), 19, 20 (part), 21	Motherwell, Wishaw and Carluke (part)
Orkney Islands	All	Orkney and Shetland (part)
Perth and Kinross	2 (part), 3, 4, 5 (part)	Angus and Perthshire Glens (part)
	1, 2 (part), 5 (part), 6, 7 (part), 8–12	Perth and Kinross-shire
	7 (part)	Stirling and Strathallan (part)
Renfrewshire	10 (part), 11 (part)	Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West (part)
	1–3, 4 (part), 11 (part), 12	Paisley and Renfrewshire North (part)
	4 (part), 5–9, 10 (part)	Paisley and Renfrewshire South
Scottish Borders	2 (part), 3–11	Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk
	1, 2 (part)	Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale (part)
Shetland Islands	All	Orkney and Shetland (part)
South Ayrshire	3 (part), 4, 5, 7 (part), 8	Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock (part)
	1, 2, 3 (part), 6, 7 (part)	Central Ayrshire (part)
South Lanarkshire	3, 4 (part)	Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale (part)
	5–10	East Kilbride and Strathaven
	1 (part), 2 (part), 4 (part), 17–20	Hamilton and Clyde Valley
	1 (part), 2 (part)	Motherwell, Wishaw and Carluke (part)
	11–16	Rutherglen
Stirling	All	Stirling and Strathallan (part)
West Dunbartonshire	All	West Dunbartonshire (part)
West Lothian	1, 2 (part), 7–9	Bathgate and Linlithgow (part)
	2 (part), 3–6	Livingston

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Appendix F

Council area wards within recommended constituencies

Table F.1 – wards within recommended constituencies

The ward boundaries used for the 2023 Review were those in use at the start of the Review. We were aware that new ward boundaries for Na h-Eileanan an Iar, North Ayrshire, Orkney Islands and Shetland Islands Council areas were introduced in May 2022.

Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
Aberdeen North	Aberdeen City	1	Dyce/Bucksburn/Danestone	15,343
	Aberdeen City	2	Bridge of Don	14,766
	Aberdeen City	3	Kingswells/Sheddocksley/Summerhill	10,900
	Aberdeen City	4	Northfield/Mastrick North	10,646
	Aberdeen City	5	Hilton/Woodside/Stockethill	9,841
	Aberdeen City	6	Tillydrone/Seaton/Old Aberdeen	6,972
	Aberdeen City	7 (part)	Midsocket/Rosemount	8,427
				76,895
Aberdeen South	Aberdeen City	7 (part)	Midsocket/Rosemount	1,853
	Aberdeen City	8	George St/Harbour	11,207
	Aberdeen City	9	Lower Deeside	11,940
	Aberdeen City	10	Hazlehead/Queens Cross/Countesswells	14,235
	Aberdeen City	11	Airyhall/Broomhill/Garthdee	11,447
	Aberdeen City	12	Torry/Ferryhill	13,357
	Aberdeen City	13	Kincorth/Nigg/Cove	12,521
				76,560
Aberdeenshire North and Moray East	Aberdeenshire	1	Banff and District	8,778
	Aberdeenshire	2	Troup	7,354
	Aberdeenshire	3	Fraserburgh and District	10,706
	Aberdeenshire	4 (part)	Central Buchan	6,659
	Aberdeenshire	5	Peterhead North and Rattray	10,687
	Aberdeenshire	6	Peterhead South and Cruden	8,716
	Moray	2	Keith and Cullen	8,003
	Moray	3	Buckie	7,653
	Moray	4 (part)	Fochabers Lhanbryde	2,929
				71,485

Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
Airdrie and Shotts	North Lanarkshire	8	Airdrie North	14,605
	North Lanarkshire	9 (part)	Airdrie Central	12,298
	North Lanarkshire	12	Airdrie South	14,788
	North Lanarkshire	13	Fortissat	11,933
	North Lanarkshire	16 (part)	Mossend and Holytown	5,495
	North Lanarkshire	18 (part)	Motherwell North	4,988
	North Lanarkshire	20 (part)	Murdostoun	6,313
				70,420
Alloa and Grangemouth	Clackmannanshire	1	Clackmannanshire West	8,695
	Clackmannanshire	2	Clackmannanshire North	8,527
	Clackmannanshire	3	Clackmannanshire Central	6,248
	Clackmannanshire	4	Clackmannanshire South	9,162
	Clackmannanshire	5 (part)	Clackmannanshire East	3,607
	Falkirk	2	Grangemouth	12,492
	Falkirk	4	Carse, Kinnaird and Tryst	16,835
	Falkirk	5 (part)	Bonnybridge and Larbert	6,699
				72,265
Angus and Perthshire Glens	Angus	1	Kirriemuir and Dean	8,847
	Angus	2	Brechin and Edzell	8,673
	Angus	3	Forfar and District	11,870
	Angus	4 (part)	Monifieth and Sidlaw	4,555
	Angus	8	Montrose and District	11,864
	Perth and Kinross	2 (part)	Strathmore	7,642
	Perth and Kinross	3	Blairgowrie and Glens	8,713
	Perth and Kinross	4	Highland	7,160
	Perth and Kinross	5 (part)	Strath Tay	7,682
				77,006

Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
Arbroath and Broughty Ferry	Angus	4 (part)	Monifieth and Sidlaw	9,310
	Angus	5	Carnoustie and District	11,165
	Angus	6	Arbroath West, Letham and Friockheim	13,789
	Angus	7	Arbroath East and Lunan	9,894
	Dundee City	6	North East	11,165
	Dundee City	7 (part)	East End	5,717
	Dundee City	8	The Ferry	15,770
				76,810
Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber	Argyll and Bute	All	All wards	67,565
	Highland	21 (part)	Fort William and Ardnamurchan	4,142
				71,707
Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock	East Ayrshire	8 (part)	Cumnock and New Cumnock	10,556
	East Ayrshire	9	Doon Valley	8,849
	South Ayrshire	3 (part)	Ayr North	11,000
	South Ayrshire	4	Ayr East	9,951
	South Ayrshire	5	Ayr West	14,078
	South Ayrshire	7 (part)	Maybole, North Carrick and Coylton	8,937
	South Ayrshire	8	Girvan and South Carrick	8,686
				72,057
Bathgate and Linlithgow	Falkirk	1	Bo'ness and Blackness	11,870
	West Lothian	1	Linlithgow	12,212
	West Lothian	2 (part)	Broxburn, Uphall and Winchburgh	2,882
	West Lothian	7	Whitburn and Blackburn	15,640
	West Lothian	8	Bathgate	16,729
	West Lothian	9	Armadaledale and Blackridge	12,317
				71,650

Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk	Scottish Borders	2 (part)	Tweeddale East	908
	Scottish Borders	3	Galashiels and District	11,087
	Scottish Borders	4	Selkirkshire	7,781
	Scottish Borders	5	Leaderdale and Melrose	8,796
	Scottish Borders	6	Mid Berwickshire	8,448
	Scottish Borders	7	East Berwickshire	8,623
	Scottish Borders	8	Kelso and District	8,250
	Scottish Borders	9	Jedburgh and District	7,012
	Scottish Borders	10	Hawick and Denholm	6,916
	Scottish Borders	11	Hawick and Hermitage	6,866
				74,687
Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross	Highland	1	North, West and Central Sutherland	4,753
	Highland	2	Thurso and Northwest Caithness	9,831
	Highland	3	Wick and East Caithness	9,962
	Highland	4	East Sutherland and Edderton	6,201
	Highland	5 (part)	Wester Ross, Strathpeffer and Lochalsh	5,033
	Highland	6	Cromarty Firth	9,280
	Highland	7	Tain and Easter Ross	6,947
	Highland	8	Dingwall and Seaforth	9,781
	Highland	9	Black Isle	8,484
	Highland	12 (part)	Aird and Loch Ness	4,901
				75,173
Central Ayrshire	North Ayrshire	1	Irvine West	11,798
	North Ayrshire	2	Irvine East	9,916
	North Ayrshire	3 (part)	Kilwinning	2,212
	North Ayrshire	10	Irvine South	8,722
	South Ayrshire	1	Troon	12,535
	South Ayrshire	2	Prestwick	12,275
	South Ayrshire	3 (part)	Ayr North	1,945
	South Ayrshire	6	Kyle	10,296
	South Ayrshire	7 (part)	Maybole, North Carrick and Coylton	80
				69,779

Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
Coatbridge and Bellshill	North Lanarkshire	6	Gartcosh, Glenboig and Moodiesburn	10,108
	North Lanarkshire	7	Coatbridge North	11,834
	North Lanarkshire	9 (part)	Airdrie Central	175
	North Lanarkshire	10	Coatbridge West	10,087
	North Lanarkshire	11	Coatbridge South	12,839
	North Lanarkshire	14	Thorniewood	10,738
	North Lanarkshire	15	Bellshill	12,202
	North Lanarkshire	16 (part)	Mossend and Holytown	4,524
				72,507
Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy	Fife	2 (part)	Dunfermline North	731
	Fife	6	Inverkeithing and Dalgety Bay	13,916
	Fife	7 (part)	Cowdenbeath	11,462
	Fife	9	Burntisland, Kinghorn and Western Kirkcaldy	11,400
	Fife	10	Kirkcaldy North	12,031
	Fife	11	Kirkcaldy Central	10,600
	Fife	12	Kirkcaldy East	10,189
				70,329
Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch	East Dunbartonshire	6 (part)	Lenzie and Kirkintilloch South	33
	East Dunbartonshire	7 (part)	Kirkintilloch East and North and Twechar	9,907
	North Lanarkshire	1	Kilsyth	9,886
	North Lanarkshire	2	Cumbernauld North	15,050
	North Lanarkshire	3	Cumbernauld South	12,468
	North Lanarkshire	4	Cumbernauld East	12,927
	North Lanarkshire	5	Stepps, Chryston and Muirhead	10,308
				70,579

Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
Dumfries and Galloway	Dumfries and Galloway	1	Stranraer and the Rhins	11,471
	Dumfries and Galloway	2	Mid Galloway and Wigtown West	10,740
	Dumfries and Galloway	3	Dee and Glenkens	8,254
	Dumfries and Galloway	4	Castle Douglas and Crocketford	7,664
	Dumfries and Galloway	5	Abbey	8,450
	Dumfries and Galloway	6	North West Dumfries	10,175
	Dumfries and Galloway	7 (part)	Mid and Upper Nithsdale	1,475
	Dumfries and Galloway	8 (part)	Lochar	8,340
	Dumfries and Galloway	9	Nith	10,294
				76,863
Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale	Dumfries and Galloway	7 (part)	Mid and Upper Nithsdale	6,761
	Dumfries and Galloway	8 (part)	Lochar	2,685
	Dumfries and Galloway	10	Annandale South	11,115
	Dumfries and Galloway	11	Annandale North	11,706
	Dumfries and Galloway	12	Annandale East and Eskdale	8,630
	Scottish Borders	1	Tweeddale West	8,166
	Scottish Borders	2 (part)	Tweeddale East	7,814
	South Lanarkshire	3	Clydesdale East	10,393
	South Lanarkshire	4 (part)	Clydesdale South	3,468
				70,738

Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
Dundee Central	Dundee City	1	Strathmartine	14,785
	Dundee City	2	Lochee	14,091
	Dundee City	3	West End	14,055
	Dundee City	4	Coldside	14,298
	Dundee City	5	Maryfield	12,028
	Dundee City	7 (part)	East End	6,041
				75,298
Dunfermline and Dollar	Clackmannanshire	5 (part)	Clackmannanshire East	3,225
	Fife	1	West Fife and Coastal Villages	13,009
	Fife	2 (part)	Dunfermline North	11,185
	Fife	3	Dunfermline Central	15,600
	Fife	4	Dunfermline South	16,426
	Fife	5	Rosyth	11,280
				70,725
East Kilbride and Strathaven	South Lanarkshire	5	Avondale and Stonehouse	14,234
	South Lanarkshire	6	East Kilbride South	12,452
	South Lanarkshire	7	East Kilbride Central South	12,310
	South Lanarkshire	8	East Kilbride Central North	12,902
	South Lanarkshire	9	East Kilbride West	12,432
	South Lanarkshire	10	East Kilbride East	10,831
				75,161
East Renfrewshire	East Renfrewshire	All	All wards	72,959
Edinburgh East and Musselburgh	City of Edinburgh	11 (part)	City Centre	7,596
	City of Edinburgh	12 (part)	Leith Walk	3,410
	City of Edinburgh	13 (part)	Leith	4,126
	City of Edinburgh	14	Craigentinny/Duddingston	21,343
	City of Edinburgh	15 (part)	Southside/Newington	5,543
	City of Edinburgh	17	Portobello/Craigmillar	22,495
	East Lothian	1 (part)	Musselburgh	11,192
				75,705

Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
Edinburgh North and Leith	City of Edinburgh	1 (part)	Almond	3,554
	City of Edinburgh	4	Forth	21,406
	City of Edinburgh	5 (part)	Inverleith	11,964
	City of Edinburgh	11 (part)	City Centre	7,941
	City of Edinburgh	12 (part)	Leith Walk	19,200
	City of Edinburgh	13 (part)	Leith	12,705
				76,770
Edinburgh South	City of Edinburgh	8 (part)	Colinton/Fairmilehead	5,996
	City of Edinburgh	10 (part)	Morningside	22,540
	City of Edinburgh	15 (part)	Southside/Newington	17,347
	City of Edinburgh	16	Liberton/Gilmerton	25,097
				70,980
Edinburgh South West	City of Edinburgh	2 (part)	Pentland Hills	20,455
	City of Edinburgh	3 (part)	Drum Brae/Gyle	1,478
	City of Edinburgh	7 (part)	Sighthill/Gorgie	17,065
	City of Edinburgh	8 (part)	Colinton/Fairmilehead	12,674
	City of Edinburgh	9	Fountainbridge/Craiglockhart	16,963
	City of Edinburgh	10 (part)	Morningside	1,581
	City of Edinburgh	11 (part)	City Centre	3,099
				73,315
Edinburgh West	City of Edinburgh	1 (part)	Almond	22,307
	City of Edinburgh	2 (part)	Pentland Hills	2,078
	City of Edinburgh	3 (part)	Drum Brae/Gyle	16,412
	City of Edinburgh	5 (part)	Inverleith	11,638
	City of Edinburgh	6	Corstorphine/Murrayfield	18,848
	City of Edinburgh	7 (part)	Sighthill/Gorgie	3,393
	City of Edinburgh	11 (part)	City Centre	2,047
				76,723

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Falkirk	Falkirk	3	Denny and Banknock	14,985
	Falkirk	5 (part)	Bonnybridge and Larbert	6,368
	Falkirk	6	Falkirk North	16,125
	Falkirk	7	Falkirk South	13,227
	Falkirk	8	Lower Braes	11,966
	Falkirk	9	Upper Braes	12,396
				75,067
Glasgow East	Glasgow City	8 (part)	Southside Central	16,179
	Glasgow City	9 (part)	Calton	15,545
	Glasgow City	10 (part)	Anderston/City/Yorkhill	2,430
	Glasgow City	19	Shettleston	19,782
	Glasgow City	20 (part)	Baillieston	15,812
				69,748
Glasgow North	Glasgow City	10 (part)	Anderston/City/Yorkhill	14,975
	Glasgow City	11	Hillhead	18,198
	Glasgow City	15	Maryhill	14,745
	Glasgow City	16	Canal	18,843
	Glasgow City	23 (part)	Partick East/Kelvindale	6,449
				73,210
Glasgow North East	Glasgow City	9 (part)	Calton	1,958
	Glasgow City	10 (part)	Anderston/City/Yorkhill	2,477
	Glasgow City	17	Springburn/Robroyston	19,301
	Glasgow City	18	East Centre	19,655
	Glasgow City	20 (part)	Baillieston	2,268
	Glasgow City	21	North East	14,867
	Glasgow City	22	Dennistoun	14,710
				75,236
Glasgow South	Glasgow City	1	Linn	21,779
	Glasgow City	2 (part)	Newlands/Auldburn	16,329
	Glasgow City	6 (part)	Pollokshields	6,638
	Glasgow City	7	Langside	24,257
	Glasgow City	8 (part)	Southside Central	2,341
				71,344

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Glasgow South West	Glasgow City	2 (part)	Newlands/Auldburn	1,441
	Glasgow City	3	Greater Pollok	24,542
	Glasgow City	4 (part)	Cardonald	10,826
	Glasgow City	5	Govan	18,556
	Glasgow City	6 (part)	Pollokshields	15,066
				70,431
Glasgow West	Glasgow City	12	Victoria Park	16,938
	Glasgow City	13 (part)	Garscadden/Scotstounhill	19,338
	Glasgow City	14	Drumchapel/Anniesland	20,856
	Glasgow City	23 (part)	Partick East/Kelvindale	15,367
				72,499
Glenrothes and Mid Fife	Fife	7 (part)	Cowdenbeath	5,039
	Fife	8	Lochgelly, Cardenden and Benarty	13,676
	Fife	13	Glenrothes West and Kinglassie	11,701
	Fife	14	Glenrothes North, Leslie and Markinch	14,322
	Fife	15	Glenrothes Central and Thornton	11,688
	Fife	22	Buckhaven, Methil and Wemyss Villages	13,308
				69,734
Gordon and Buchan	Aberdeenshire	4 (part)	Central Buchan	4,281
	Aberdeenshire	7	Turriff and District	10,042
	Aberdeenshire	8	Mid Formartine	11,437
	Aberdeenshire	9	Ellon and District	11,722
	Aberdeenshire	10 (part)	West Garioch	5,695
	Aberdeenshire	11	Inverurie and District	11,393
	Aberdeenshire	12 (part)	East Garioch	7,737
	Aberdeenshire	14 (part)	Huntly, Strathbogie and Howe of Alford	7,931
				70,238

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Hamilton and Clyde Valley	South Lanarkshire	1 (part)	Clydesdale West	726
	South Lanarkshire	2 (part)	Clydesdale North	8,826
	South Lanarkshire	4 (part)	Clydesdale South	8,128
	South Lanarkshire	17	Hamilton North and East	11,743
	South Lanarkshire	18	Hamilton West and Earnock	14,257
	South Lanarkshire	19	Hamilton South	16,169
	South Lanarkshire	20	Larkhall	14,728
				74,577
Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West	Inverclyde	All	All wards	61,096
	Renfrewshire	10 (part)	Houston, Crosslee and Linwood	5,221
	Renfrewshire	11 (part)	Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank	4,101
				70,418
Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire	Highland	5 (part)	Wester Ross, Strathpeffer and Lochalsh	4,759
	Highland	10	Eilean a' Chèo	8,569
	Highland	11	Caol and Mallaig	6,774
	Highland	12 (part)	Aird and Loch Ness	4,808
	Highland	13	Inverness West	7,661
	Highland	14	Inverness Central	7,829
	Highland	15	Inverness Ness-side	7,954
	Highland	16	Inverness Millburn	7,179
	Highland	17 (part)	Culloden and Ardersier	5,653
	Highland	19	Inverness South	11,533
	Highland	21 (part)	Fort William and Ardnamurchan	4,184
				76,903

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Kilmarnock and Loudoun	East Ayrshire	1	Annick	12,083
	East Ayrshire	2	Kilmarnock North	9,201
	East Ayrshire	3	Kilmarnock West and Crosshouse	12,901
	East Ayrshire	4	Kilmarnock East and Hurlford	12,068
	East Ayrshire	5	Kilmarnock South	7,878
	East Ayrshire	6	Irvine Valley	9,520
	East Ayrshire	7	Ballochmyle	11,044
	East Ayrshire	8 (part)	Cumnock and New Cumnock	106
				74,801
Livingston	West Lothian	2 (part)	Broxburn, Uphall and Winchburgh	12,420
	West Lothian	3	Livingston North	16,936
	West Lothian	4	Livingston South	17,504
	West Lothian	5	East Livingston and East Calder	16,484
	West Lothian	6	Fauldhouse and the Breich Valley	12,110
				75,454
Lothian East	East Lothian	1 (part)	Musselburgh	4,797
	East Lothian	2	Preston, Seton and Gosford	14,467
	East Lothian	3	Tranent, Wallyford and Macmerry	14,449
	East Lothian	4	North Berwick Coastal	11,229
	East Lothian	5	Haddington and Lammermuir	14,650
	East Lothian	6	Dunbar and East Linton	11,695
				71,287

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Mid Dunbartonshire	East Dunbartonshire	1	Milngavie	10,358
	East Dunbartonshire	2	Bearsden North	11,758
	East Dunbartonshire	3	Bearsden South	10,945
	East Dunbartonshire	4	Bishopbriggs North and Campsie	15,441
	East Dunbartonshire	5	Bishopbriggs South	12,385
	East Dunbartonshire	6 (part)	Lenzie and Kirkintilloch South	12,214
	East Dunbartonshire	7 (part)	Kirkintilloch East and North and Twechar	1,998
				75,099
Midlothian	Midlothian	All	All wards	71,210
Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey	Highland	17 (part)	Culloden and Ardersier	2,469
	Highland	18	Nairn and Cawdor	10,398
	Highland	20	Badenoch and Strathspey	10,418
	Moray	1	Speyside Glenlivet	7,164
	Moray	4 (part)	Fochabers Lhanbryde	4,976
	Moray	5	Heldon and Laich	10,670
	Moray	6	Elgin City North	8,658
	Moray	7	Elgin City South	9,529
	Moray	8	Forres	11,955
				76,237
Motherwell, Wishaw and Carluke	North Lanarkshire	17	Motherwell West	10,451
	North Lanarkshire	18 (part)	Motherwell North	8,310
	North Lanarkshire	19	Motherwell South East and Ravenscraig	14,716
	North Lanarkshire	20 (part)	Murdostoun	7,842
	North Lanarkshire	21	Wishaw	13,355
	South Lanarkshire	1 (part)	Clydesdale West	14,633
	South Lanarkshire	2 (part)	Clydesdale North	3,011
				72,318

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Na h-Eileanan an Iar	Na h-Eileanan an Iar	All	All wards	21,177
North Ayrshire and Arran	North Ayrshire	3 (part)	Kilwinning	11,139
	North Ayrshire	4	Stevenston	9,670
	North Ayrshire	5	Ardrossan and Arran	9,061
	North Ayrshire	6	Dalry and West Kilbride	11,628
	North Ayrshire	7	Kilbirnie and Beith	8,712
	North Ayrshire	8	North Coast and Cumbraes	13,431
	North Ayrshire	9	Saltcoats	9,947
				73,588
North East Fife	Fife	16	Howe of Fife and Tay Coast	11,211
	Fife	17	Tay Bridgehead	11,423
	Fife	18	St Andrews	11,674
	Fife	19	East Neuk and Landward	10,130
	Fife	20	Cupar	11,162
	Fife	21	Leven, Kennoway and Largo	14,852
				70,452
Orkney and Shetland	Orkney Islands Shetland Islands	All	All wards	34,824
Paisley and Renfrewshire North	Glasgow City	4 (part)	Cardonald	11,616
	Renfrewshire	1	Renfrew North and Braehead	13,294
	Renfrewshire	2	Renfrew South and Gallowhill	9,208
	Renfrewshire	3	Paisley Northeast and Ralston	8,951
	Renfrewshire	4 (part)	Paisley Northwest	5,803
	Renfrewshire	11 (part)	Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank	7,874
	Renfrewshire	12	Erskine and Inchinnan	13,195
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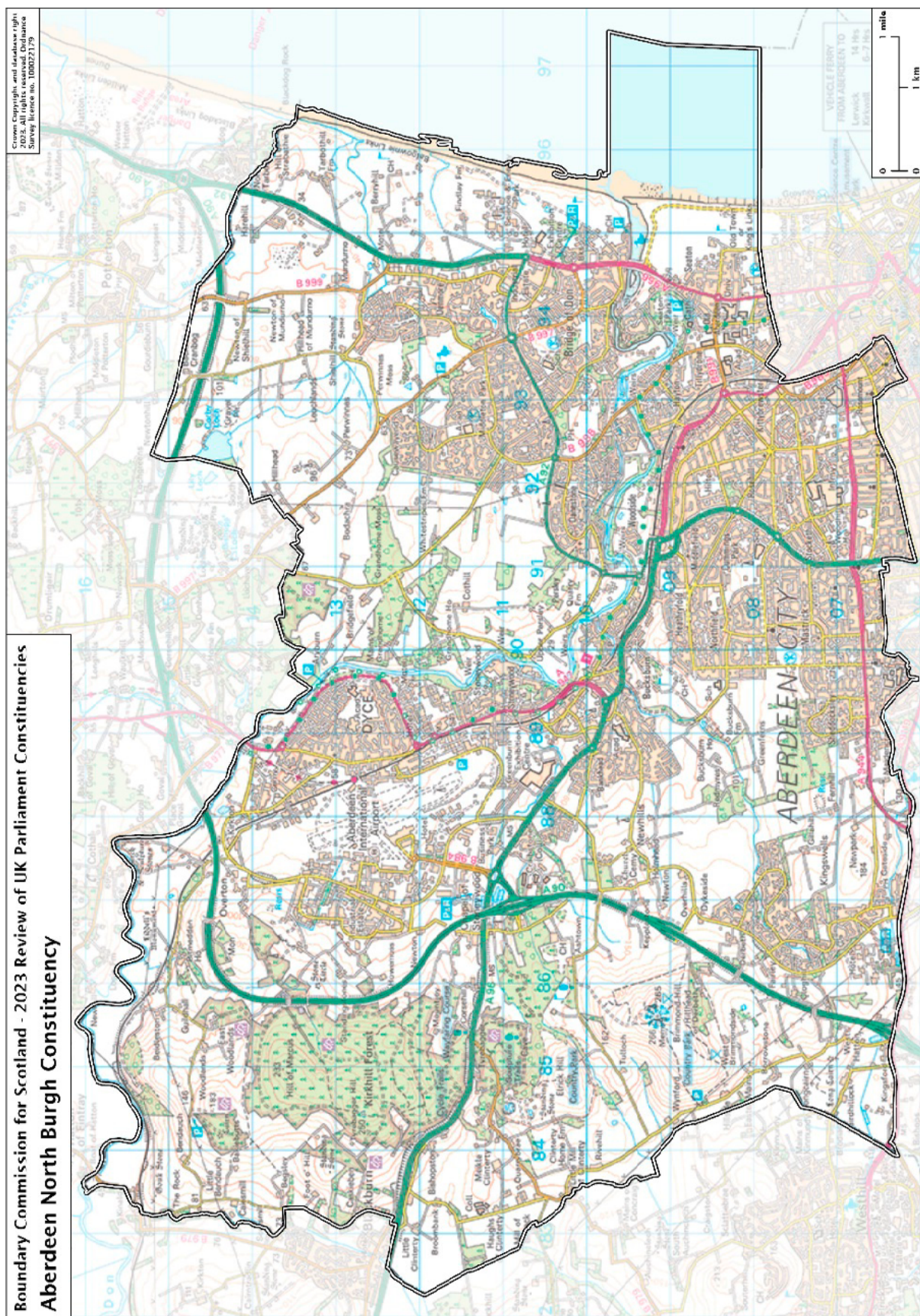
Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
Paisley and Renfrewshire South	Renfrewshire	4 (part)	Paisley Northwest	6,846
	Renfrewshire	5	Paisley East and Central	9,630
	Renfrewshire	6	Paisley Southeast	9,450
	Renfrewshire	7	Paisley Southwest	11,832
	Renfrewshire	8	Johnstone South and Elderslie	12,959
	Renfrewshire	9	Johnstone North, Kilbarchan, Howwood and Lochwinnoch	12,076
	Renfrewshire	10 (part)	Houston, Crosslee and Linwood	7,020
				69,813
Perth and Kinross-shire	Perth and Kinross	1	Carse of Gowrie	7,927
	Perth and Kinross	2 (part)	Strathmore	4,329
	Perth and Kinross	5 (part)	Strathtay	1,561
	Perth and Kinross	6	Strathearn	8,360
	Perth and Kinross	7 (part)	Strathallan	2,036
	Perth and Kinross	8	Kinross-shire	11,240
	Perth and Kinross	9	Almond and Earn	7,698
	Perth and Kinross	10	Perth City South	12,922
	Perth and Kinross	11	Perth City North	8,685
	Perth and Kinross	12	Perth City Centre	11,562
				76,320
Rutherglen	South Lanarkshire	11	Rutherglen South	11,684
	South Lanarkshire	12	Rutherglen Central and North	11,643
	South Lanarkshire	13	Cambuslang West	12,486
	South Lanarkshire	14	Cambuslang East	12,462
	South Lanarkshire	15	Blantyre	12,707
	South Lanarkshire	16	Bothwell and Uddingston	10,630
				71,612
Stirling and Strathallan	Perth and Kinross	7 (part)	Strathallan	6,923
	Stirling	All	All wards	70,085
				77,008

Constituency name	Council area	Ward number	Ward name	Electorate 2 March 2020
West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine	Aberdeenshire	10 (part)	West Garioch	3,293
	Aberdeenshire	12 (part)	East Garioch	2,344
	Aberdeenshire	13	Westhill and District	11,830
	Aberdeenshire	14 (part)	Huntly, Strathbogie and Howe of Alford	3,903
	Aberdeenshire	15	Aboyne, Upper Deeside and Donside	8,869
	Aberdeenshire	16	Banchory and Mid Deeside	8,745
	Aberdeenshire	17	North Kincardine	11,948
	Aberdeenshire	18	Stonehaven and Lower Deeside	10,969
	Aberdeenshire	19	Mearns	11,733
				73,634
West Dunbartonshire	Glasgow City	13 (part)	Garscadden/Scotstounhill	2,491
	West Dunbartonshire	All	All wards	67,795
				70,286

Appendix G

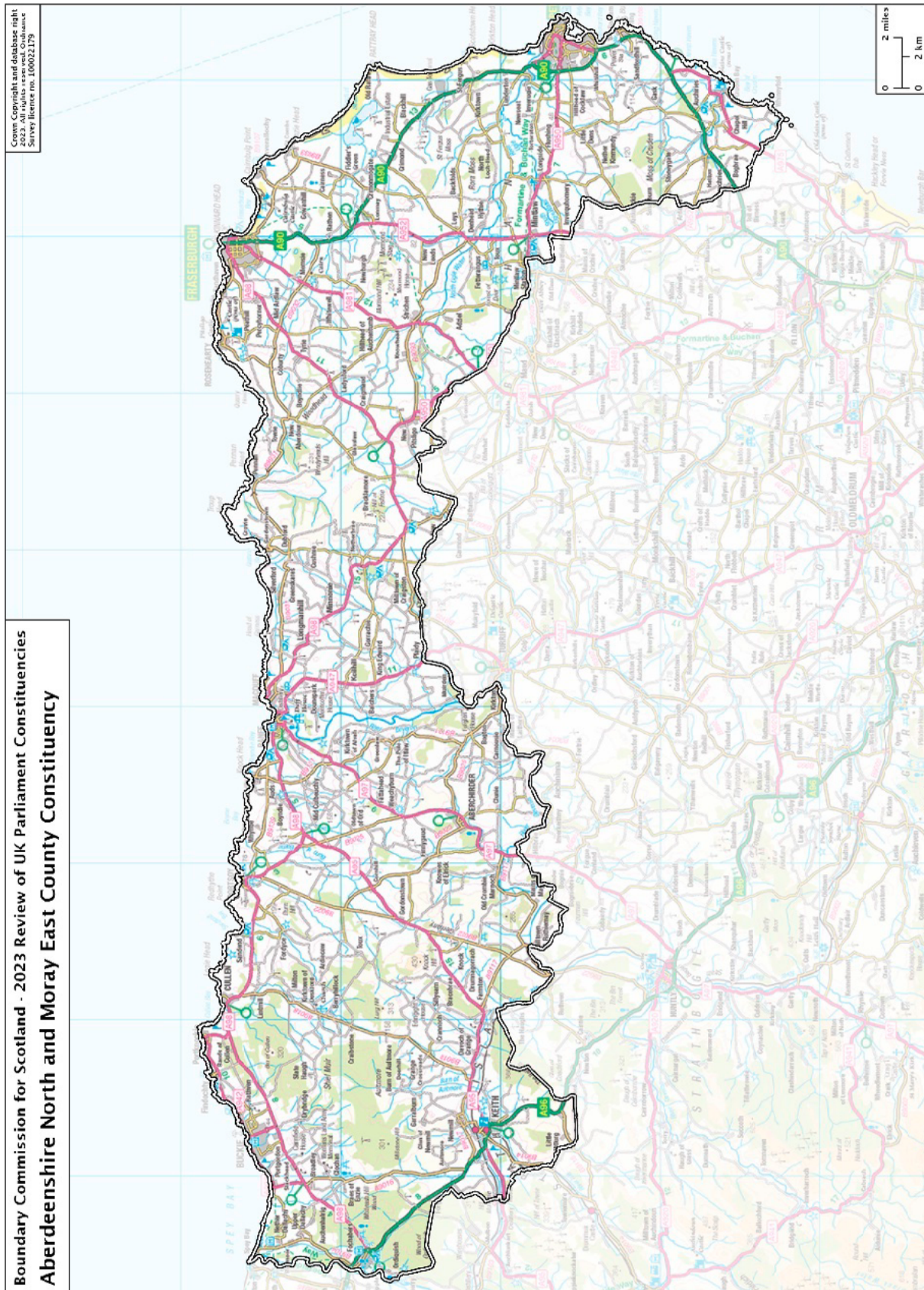
Final Recommendations – constituency maps

The ward boundaries used for the 2023 Review were those in use at the start of the Review. We were aware that new ward boundaries for Na h-Eileanan an Iar, North Ayrshire, Orkney Islands and Shetland Islands Council areas were introduced in May 2022.

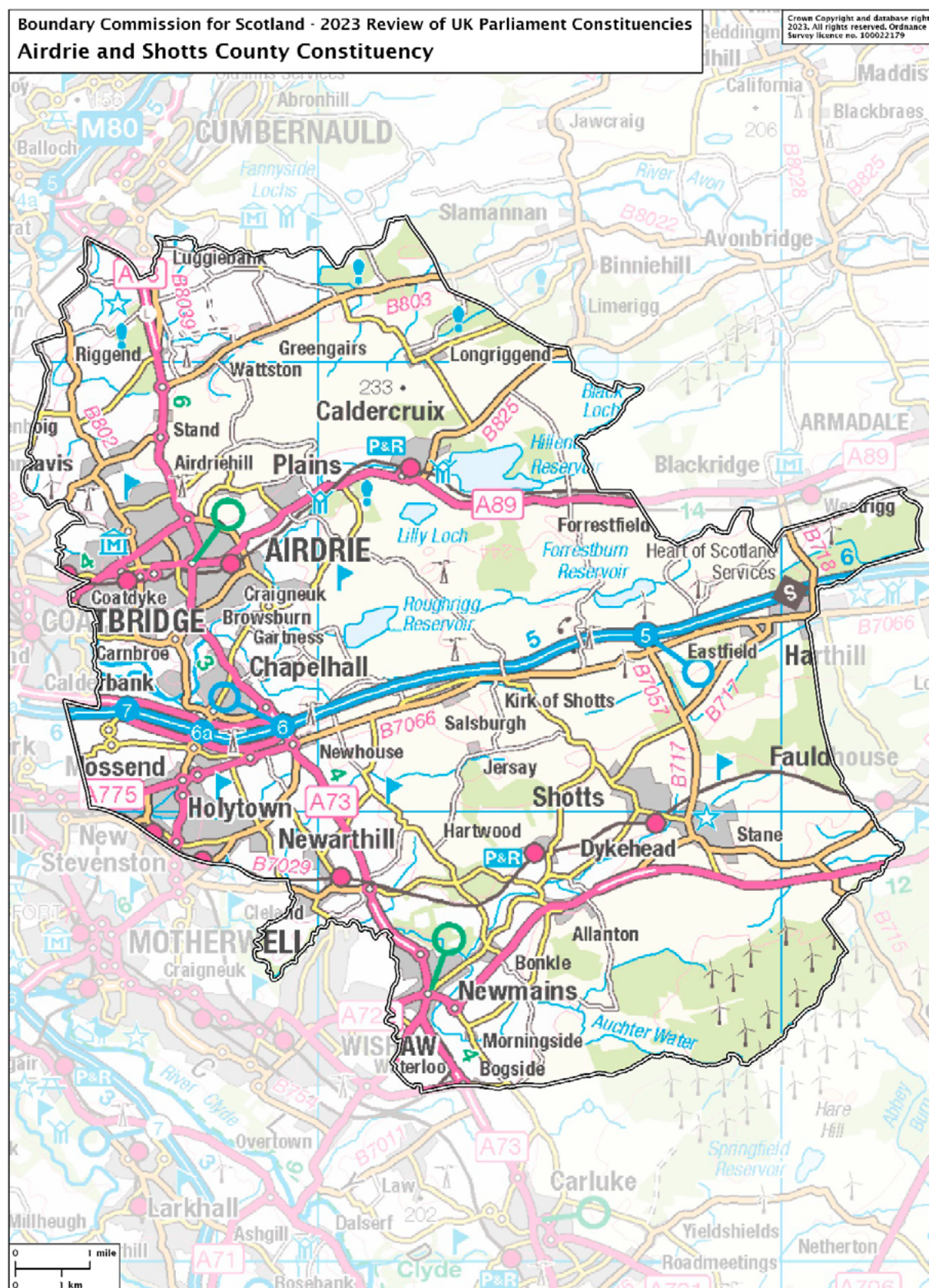


The recommended constituency comprises Aberdeen City Council area wards 1–6 and part of ward 7 (Midsocket/Rosemount) where the boundary follows Rosemount Place, Esslemont Avenue and Skene Street.

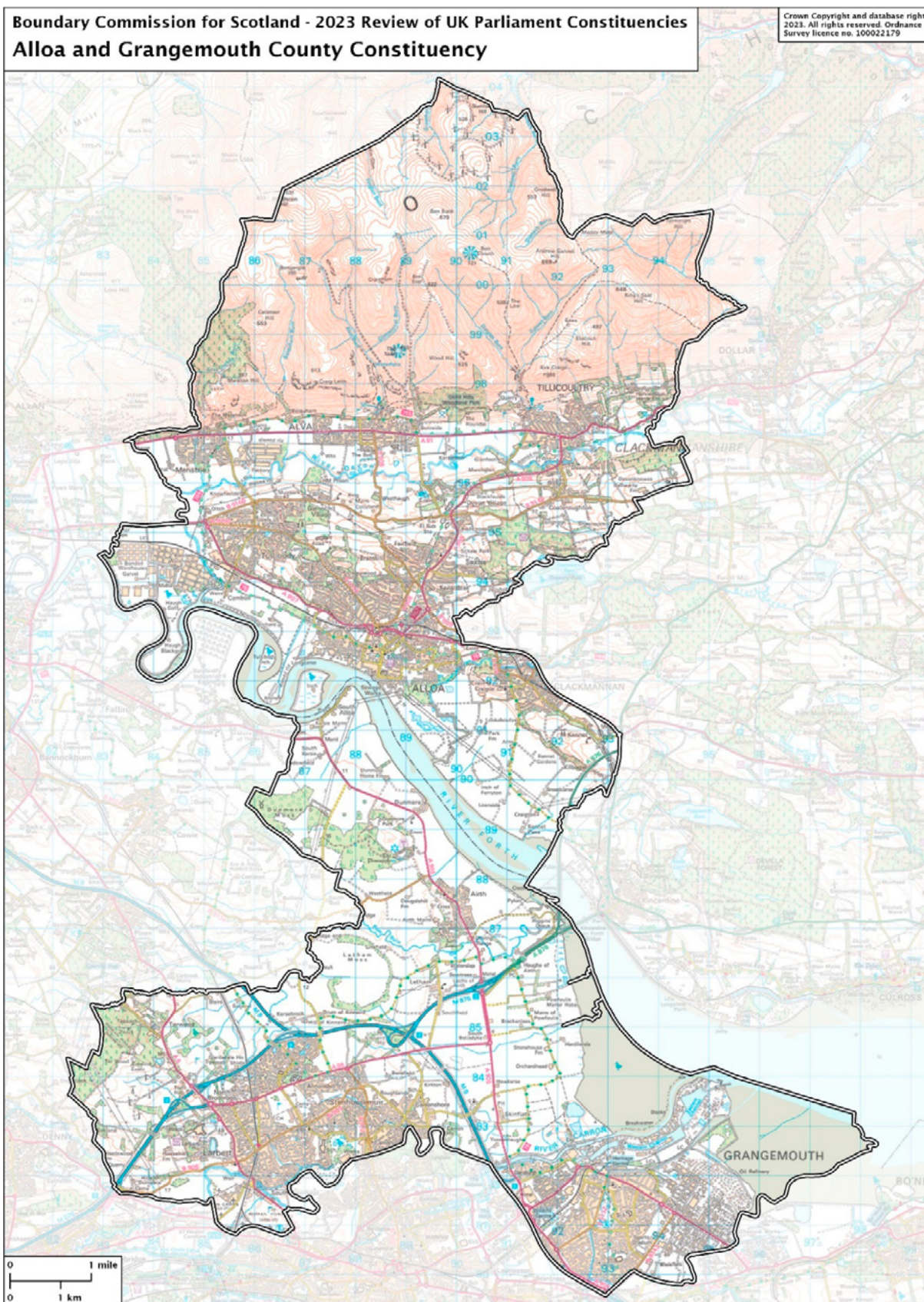
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The recommended constituency comprises Aberdeenshire Council area wards 1–3, 5, 6 and part of ward 4 (Central Buchan) where the boundary follows a community council area boundary and the A950 road; and Moray Council area wards 2, 3 and part of ward 4 (Fochabers Lhanbryde) where the boundary follows the River Spey.



The recommended constituency comprises North Lanarkshire Council area wards 8, 12, 13 and part of ward 9 (Airdrie Central) where the boundary follows a railway line and Deedes Street (A89); and part of wards 16 (Mossend and Holytown) and 18 (Motherwell North) where the boundaries follow railway lines; and part of ward 20 (Murdostoun) where the boundary mainly follows a river or stream and part of an existing constituency boundary.

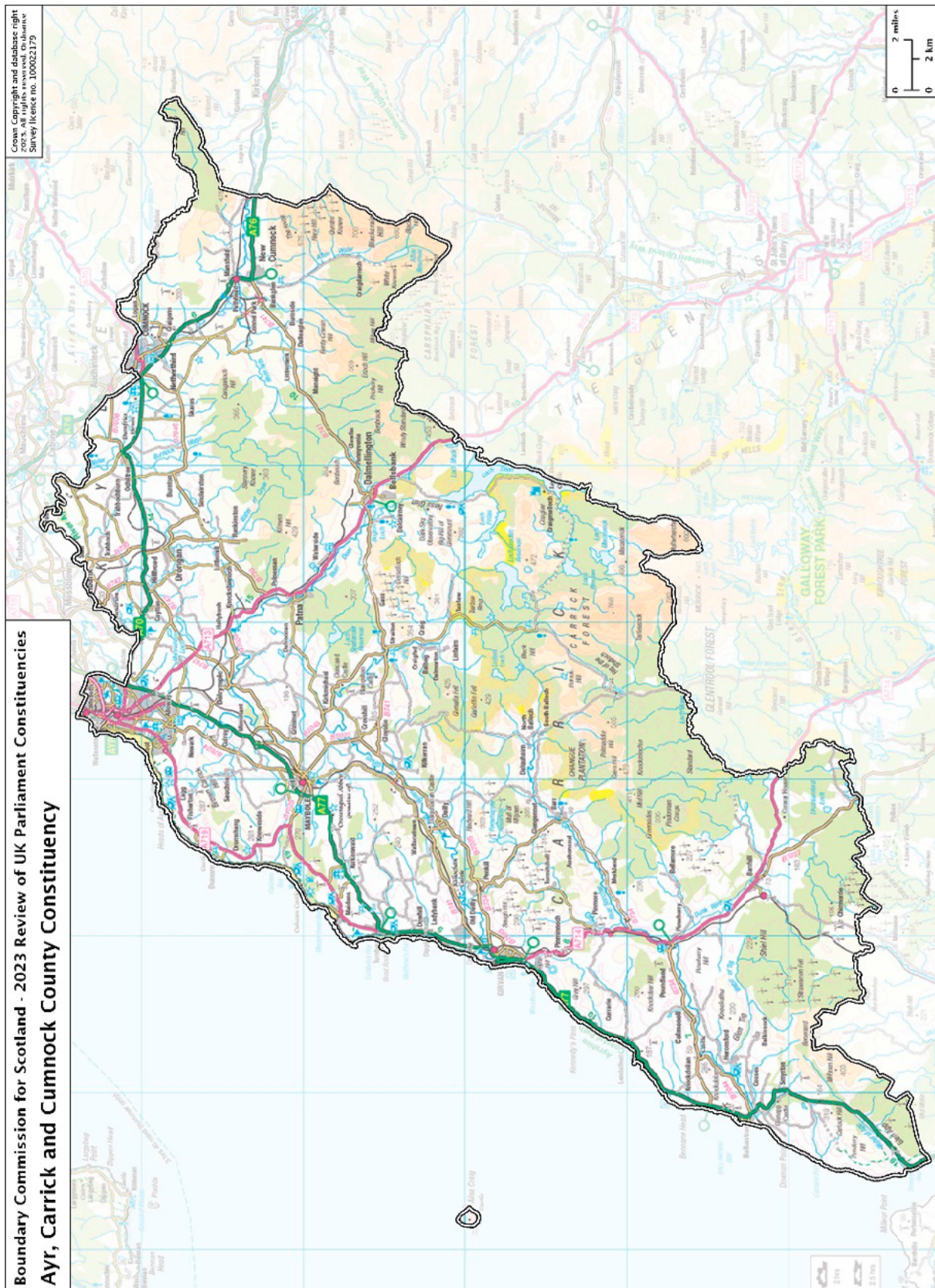


The recommended constituency comprises Clackmannanshire Council area wards 1–4; part of ward 5 (Clackmannanshire East) where the boundary follows the A907 road; and Falkirk Council area wards 2 and 4, and part of ward 5 (Bonnybridge and Larbert) where the boundary follows an historical ward boundary and the River Carron.

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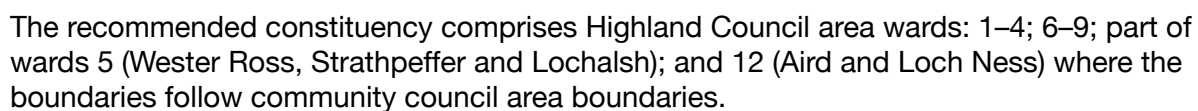
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The recommended constituency retains the existing Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock constituency. It comprises East Ayrshire Council area ward 9 and part of ward 8 (Cumnock and New Cumnock) where the boundary follows the existing constituency boundary; and South Ayrshire Council area wards 4, 5, 8 and parts of ward 3 (Ayr North) and ward 7 (Maybole, North Carrick and Coylton) where the boundary follows the existing constituency boundary.

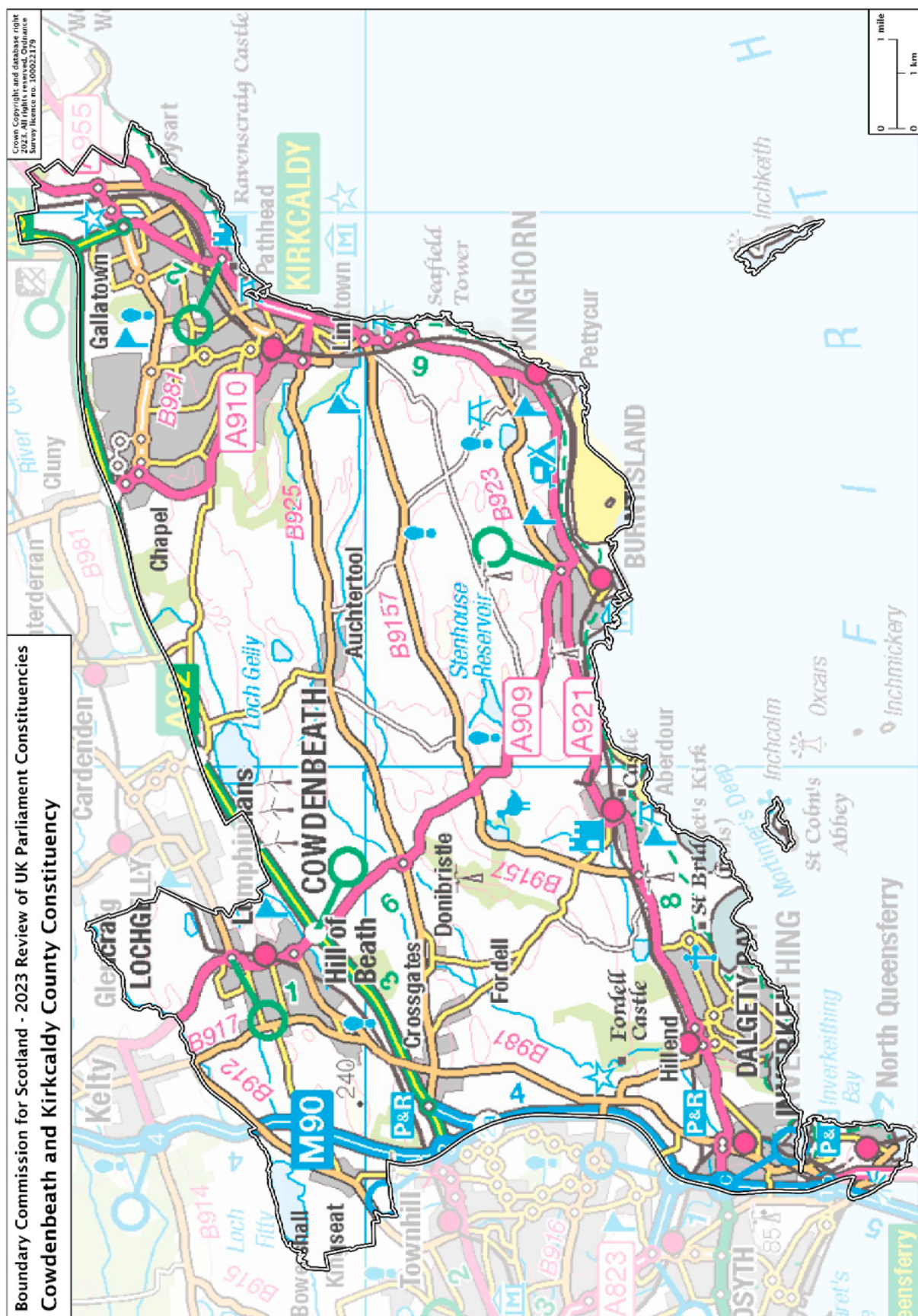
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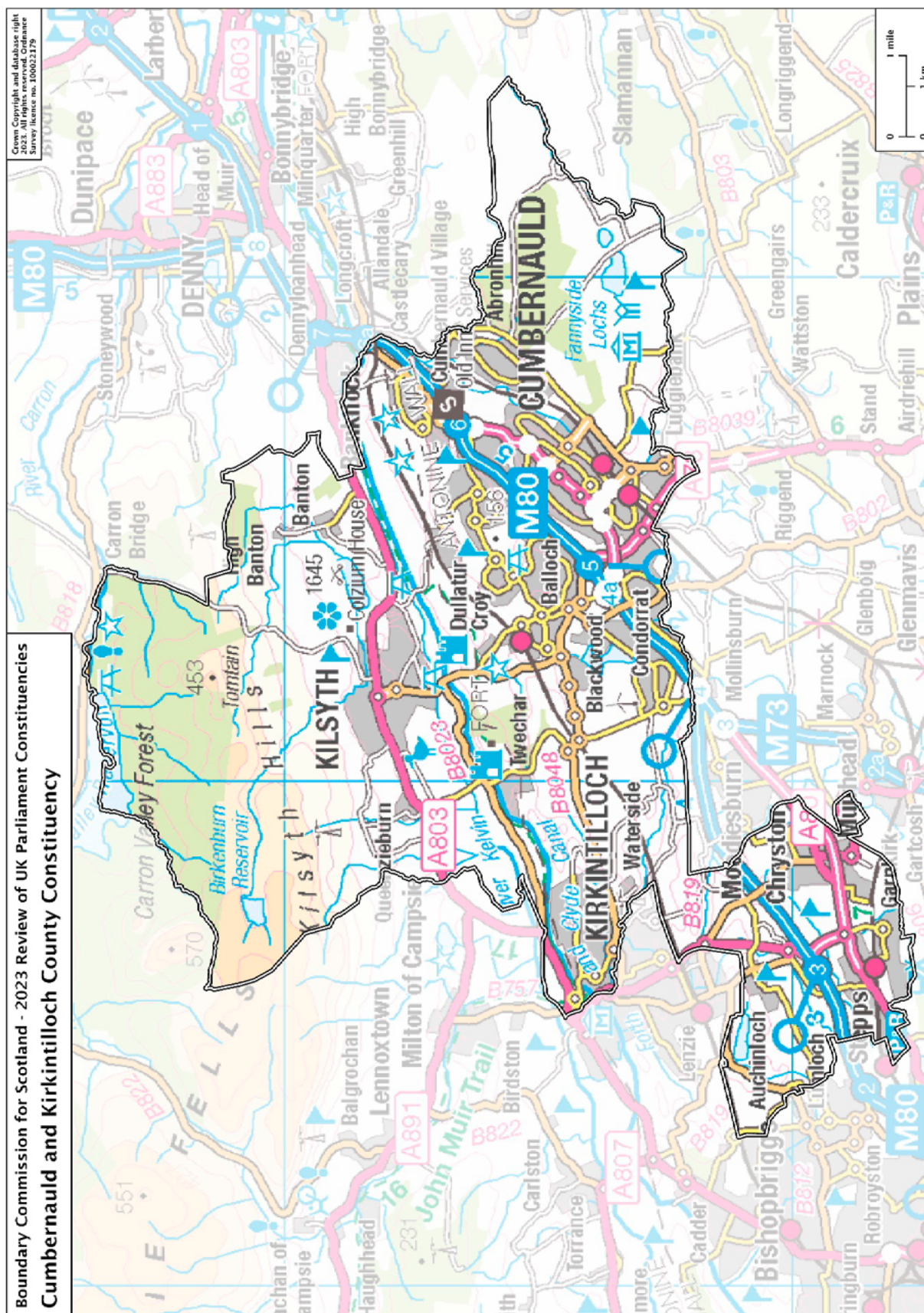
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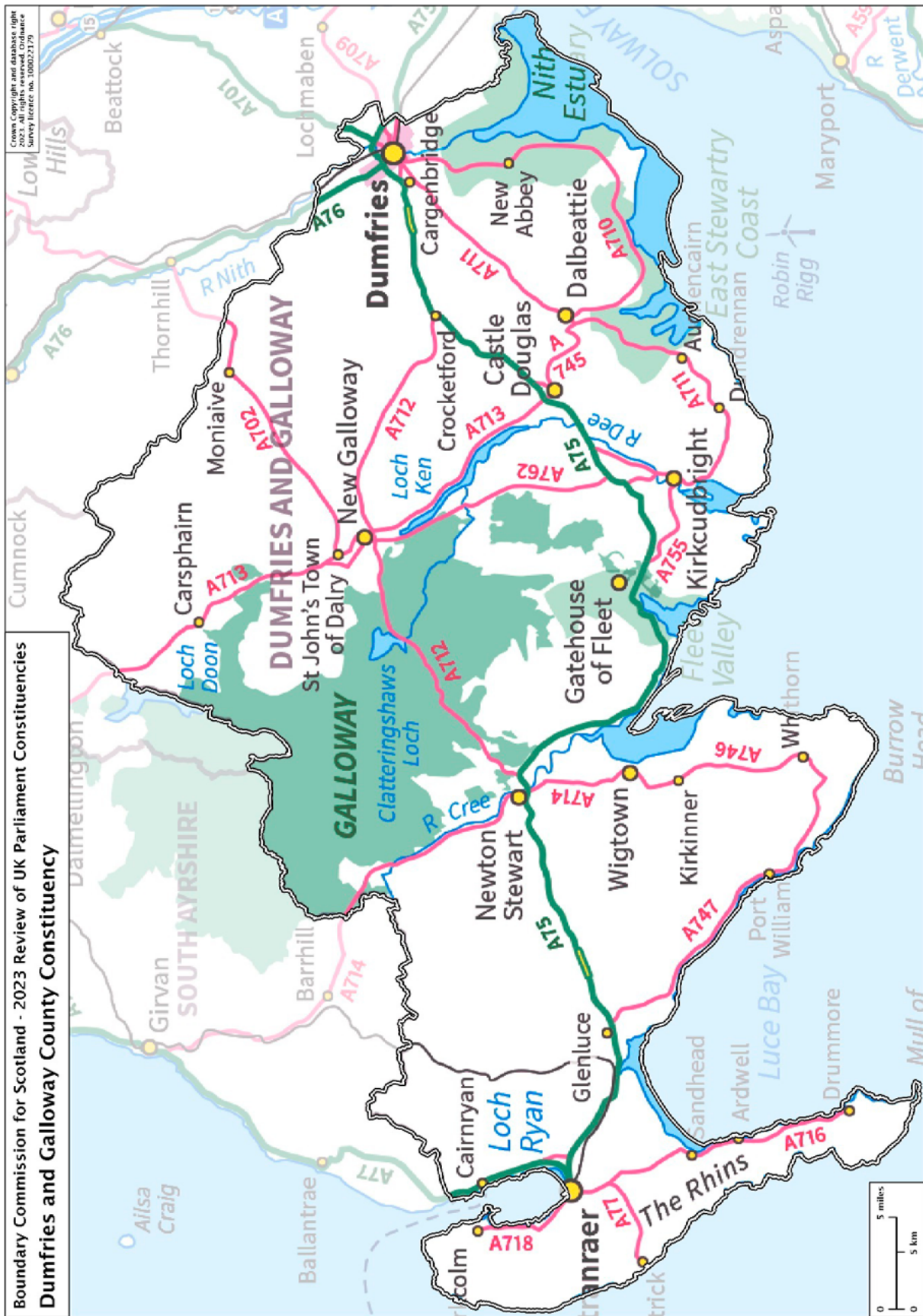




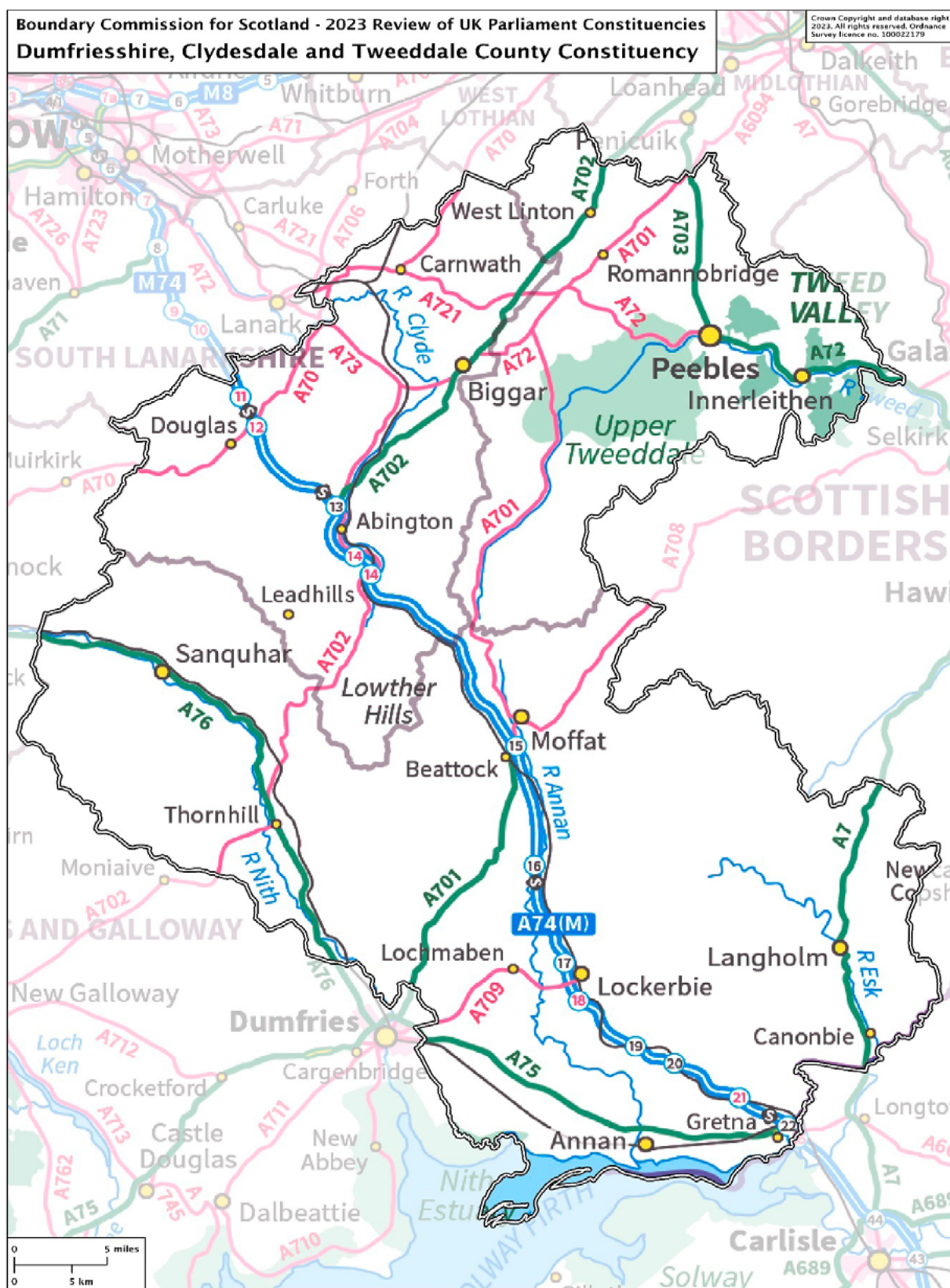
The recommended constituency comprises Fife Council area wards 6, 9–12; and part of wards 2 (Dunfermline North) and 7 (Cowdenbeath) where the boundaries follow community council area boundaries.



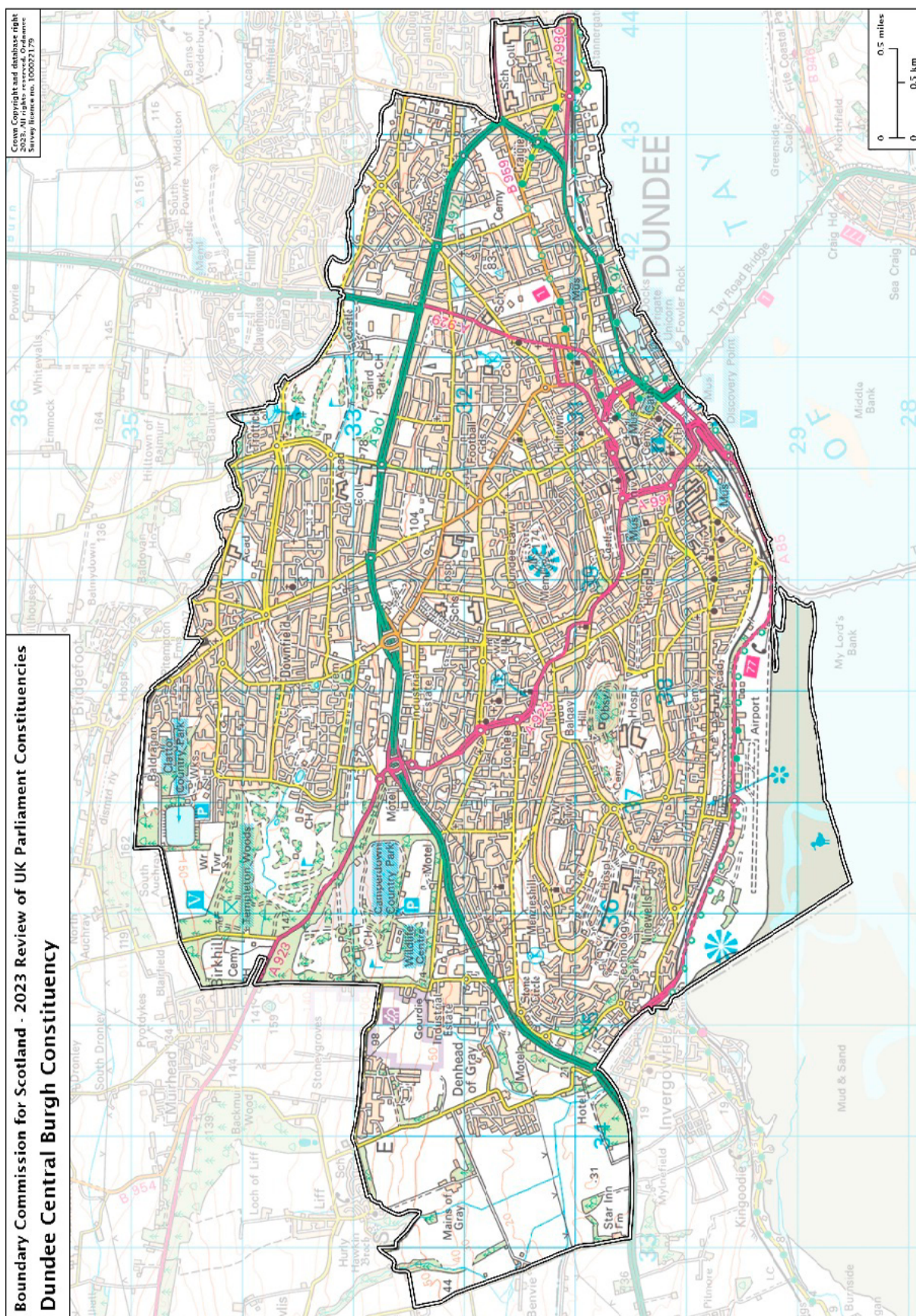
The recommended constituency comprises North Lanarkshire Council area wards 1–5; and part of East Dunbartonshire Council area ward 6 (Lenzie and Kirkintilloch South) where the boundary follows a railway line and the A806 road; and part of ward 7 (Kirkintilloch East and North and Twechar) where the boundary follows Luggie Water.



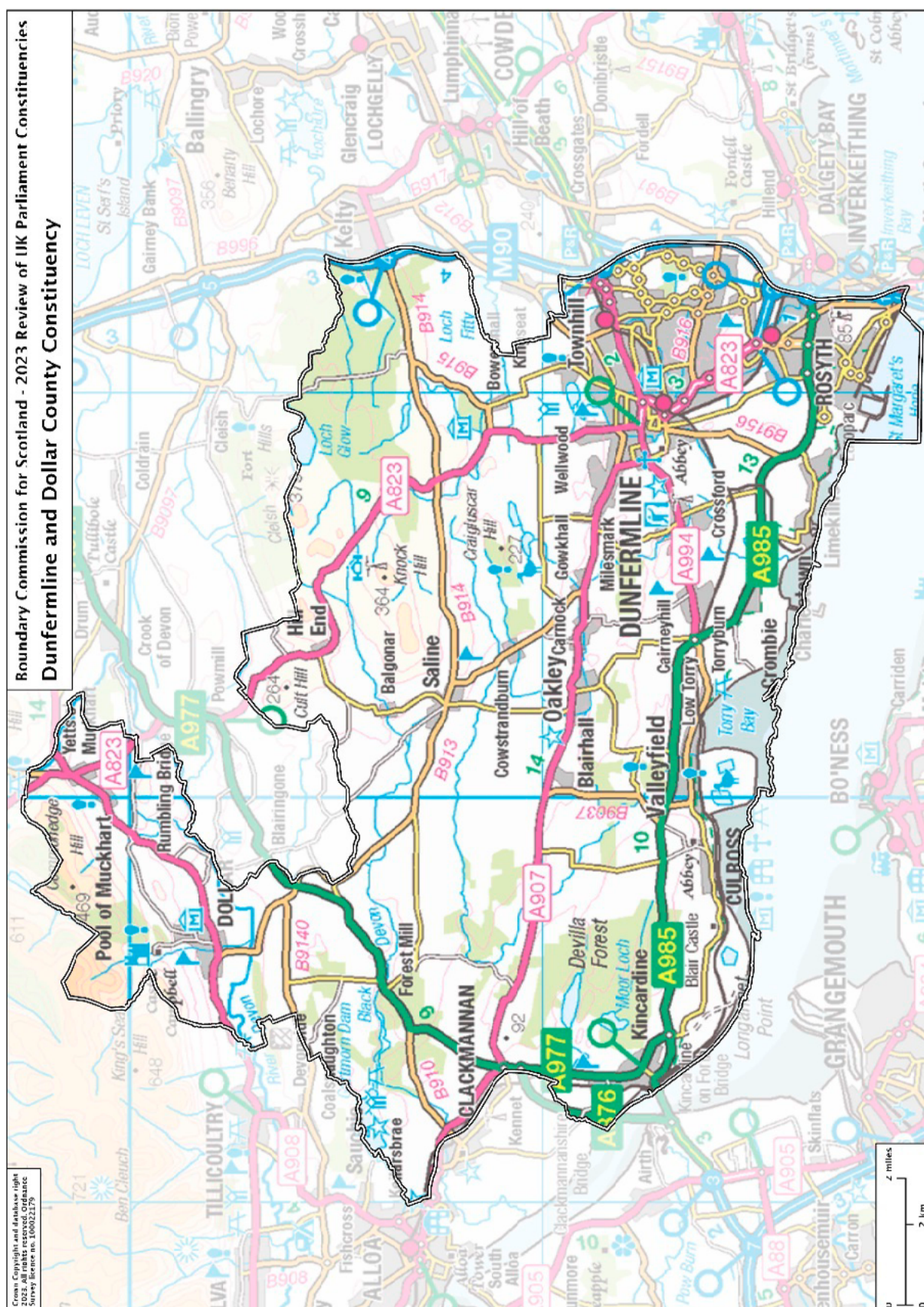
The recommended constituency comprises Dumfries and Galloway Council area wards 1–6 and 9; and part of wards 7 (Mid and Upper Nithsdale) and 8 (Lochar) where the boundaries follow community council area boundaries.



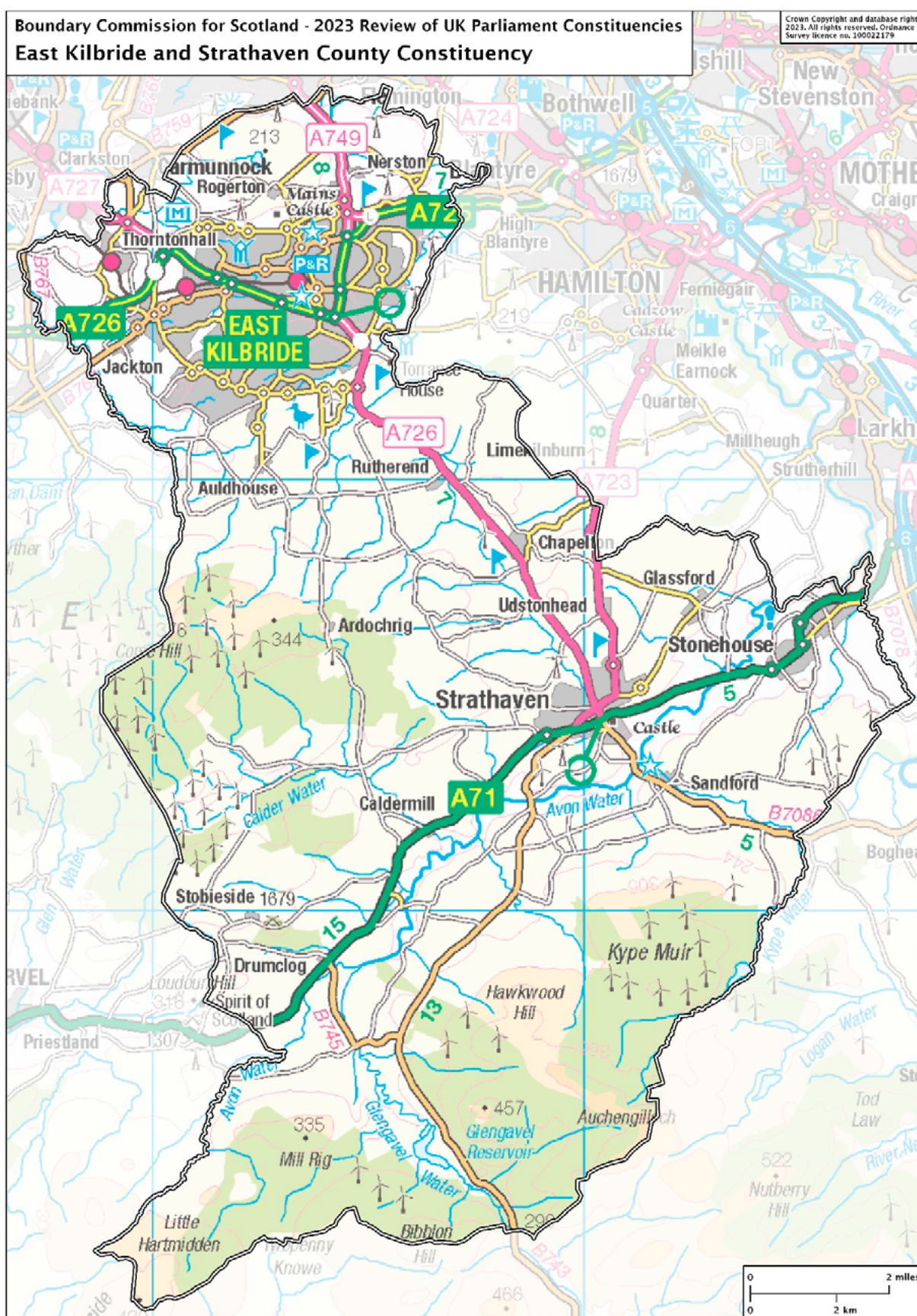
The recommended constituency comprises Dumfries and Galloway Council area wards 10–12; part of wards 7 (Mid and Upper Nithsdale) and 8 (Lochar) where the boundaries follow community council area boundaries; Scottish Borders Council area ward 1; part of ward 2 (Tweeddale East) where the boundary follows the existing constituency boundary; South Lanarkshire ward 3; and part of ward 4 (Clydesdale South) where the boundary follows a community council area boundary.



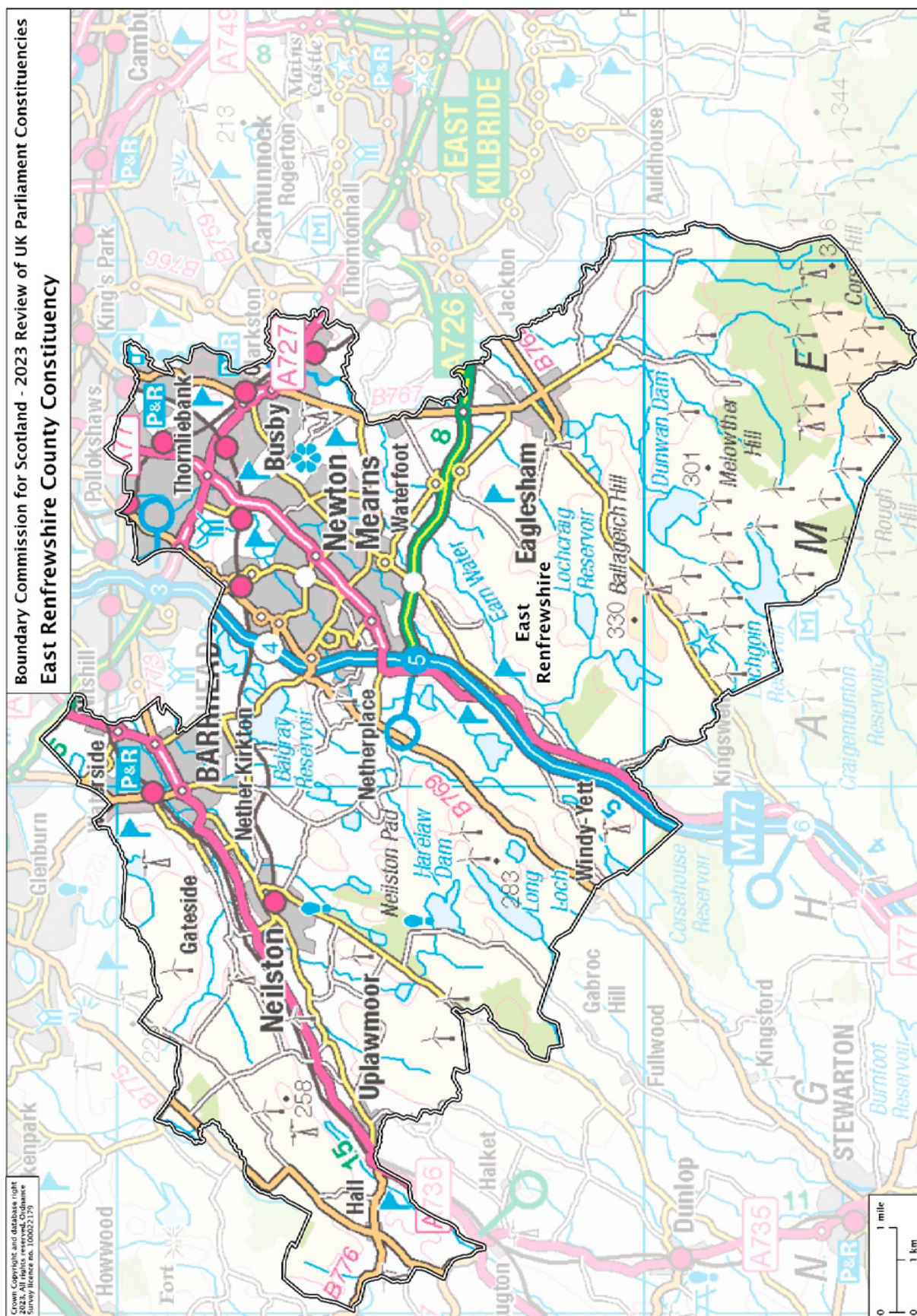
The recommended constituency comprises Dundee City Council area wards 1–5 and part of ward 7 (East End) where the boundary follows Douglas Road and Arbroath Road (A92).



The recommended constituency comprises Fife Council area wards 1, 3–5 and part of ward 2 (Dunfermline North) where the boundary follows a community council area boundary; and part of Clackmannanshire Council area ward 5 (Clackmannanshire East) where the boundary follows the A907 road.



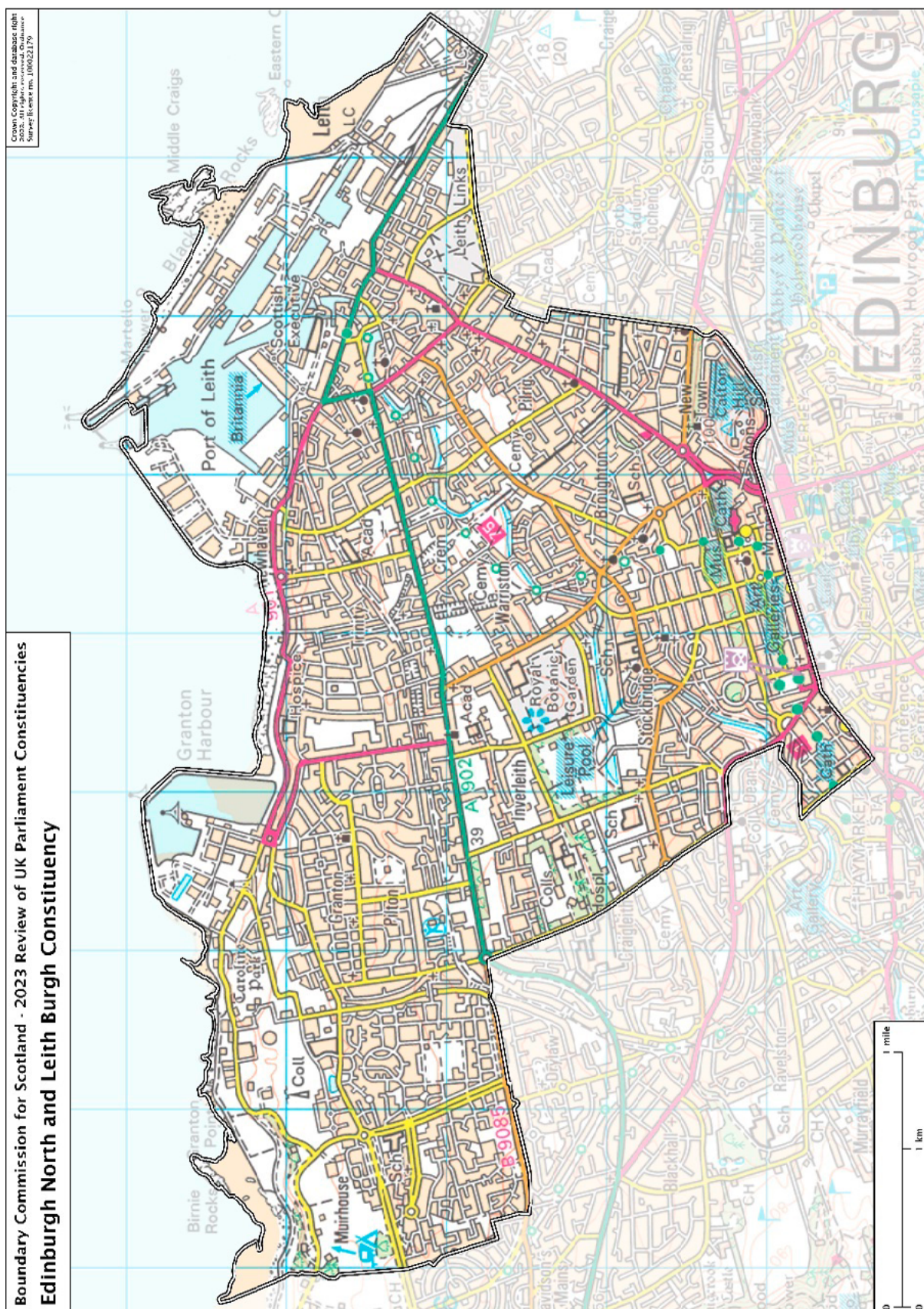
The recommended constituency comprises South Lanarkshire Council area wards 5–10.



The recommended constituency retains the existing East Renfrewshire constituency. It comprises the whole of East Renfrewshire Council area.



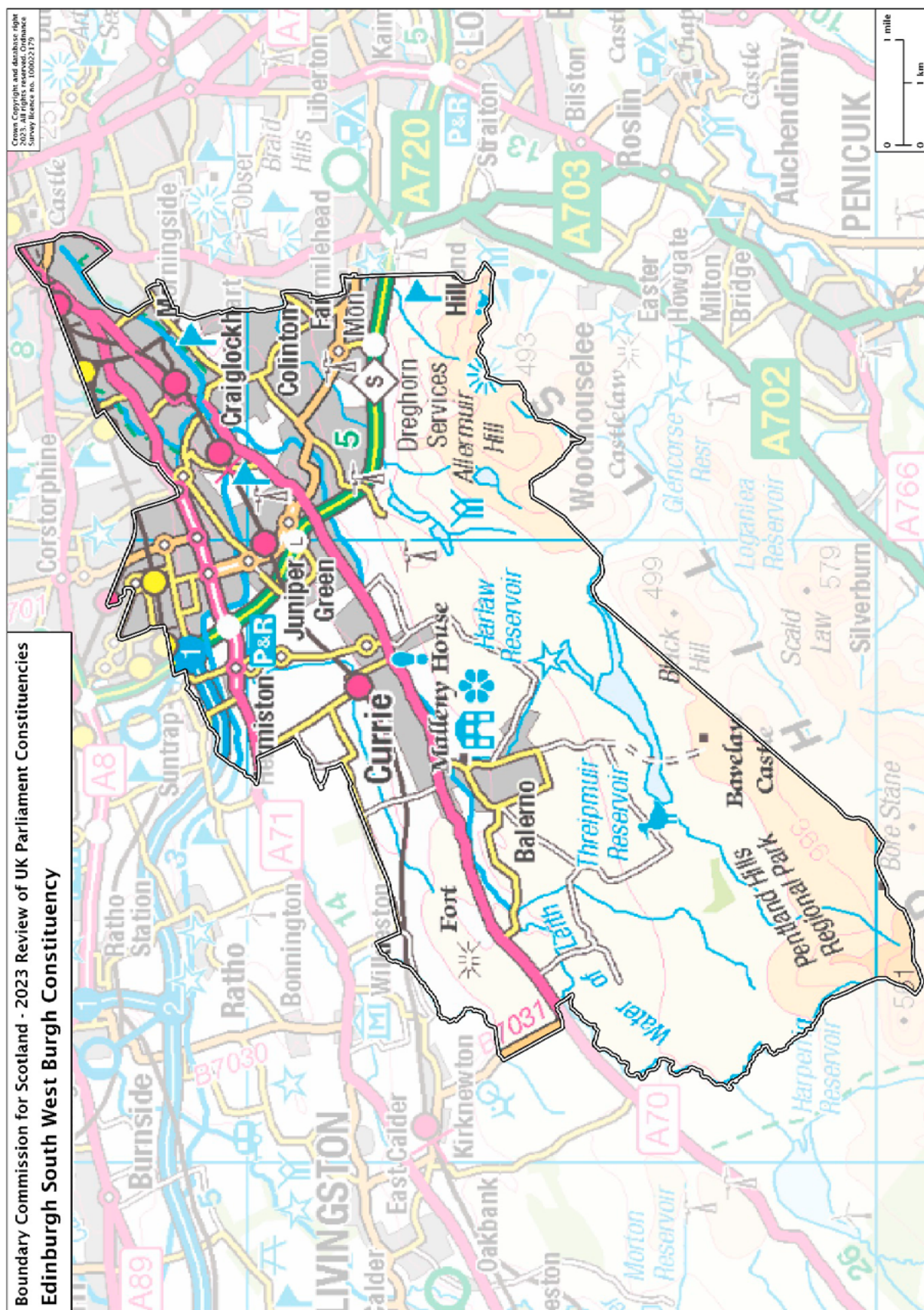
The recommended constituency comprises City of Edinburgh Council area wards 14, 17 and part of wards 11 (City Centre), 12 (Leith Walk) and 13 (Leith) where the boundaries follow the existing UK Parliament constituency boundaries; and part of ward 15 (Southside/Newington) where the boundary follows an historical ward boundary; and part of East Lothian Council area ward 1 (Musselburgh) where the boundary follows an historical UK Parliament constituency boundary, the boundary of Loretto and Pinkie St Peter's schools, Balcarres Road and the River Esk.



The recommended constituency comprises City of Edinburgh Council area ward: 4; part of wards 1 (Almond) and 5 (Inverleith) where the boundary follows community council area boundaries; and part of wards 11 (City Centre), 12 (Leith Walk) and 13 (Leith) where the boundaries follow the existing UK Parliament constituency boundaries.



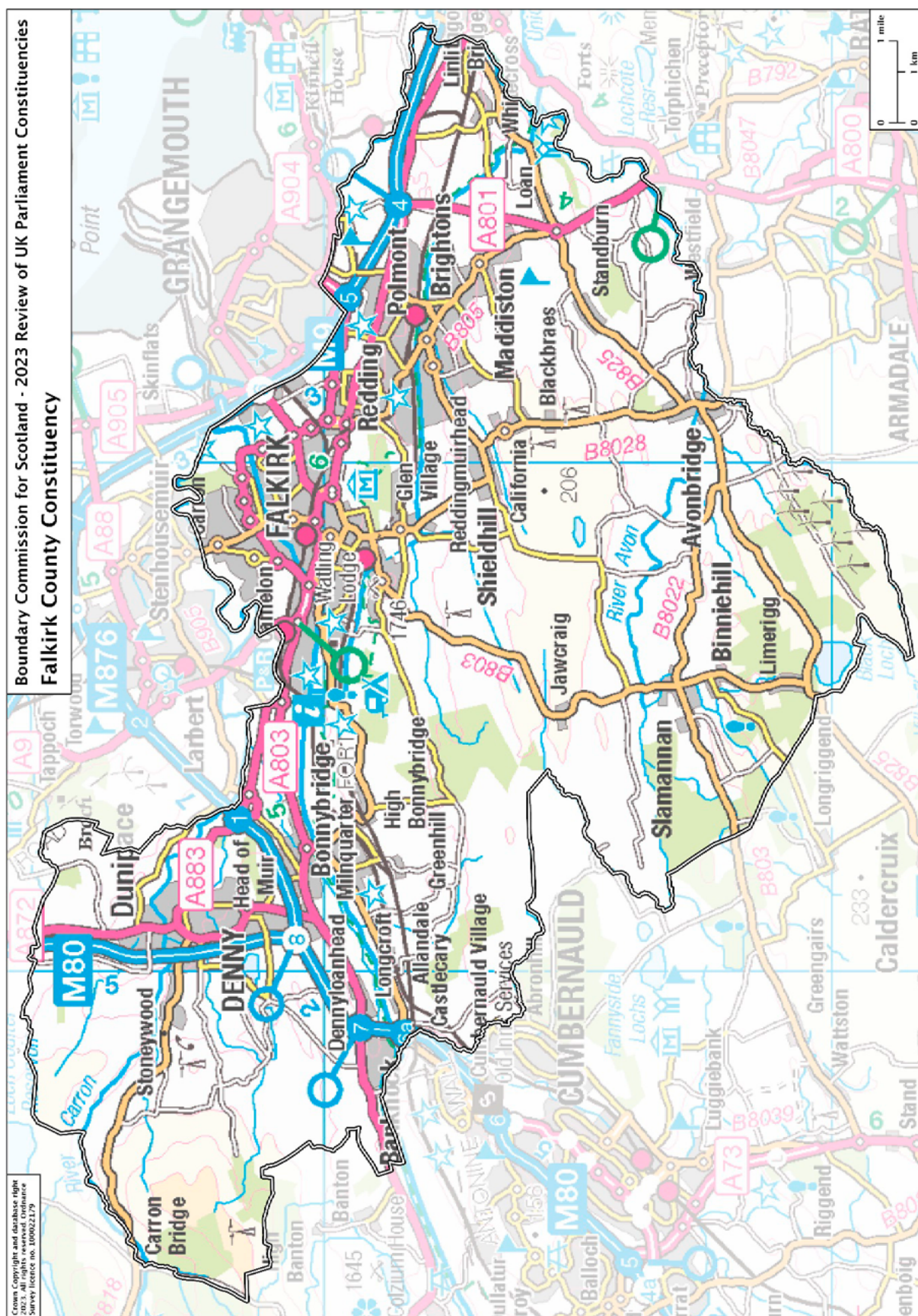
The recommended constituency comprises City of Edinburgh Council area ward: 16; part of wards 8 (Colinton/Fairmilehead) and 10 (Morningside) where the boundaries follow the existing UK Parliament constituency boundaries; and part of ward 15 (Southside/Newington) where the boundary follows an historical ward boundary.



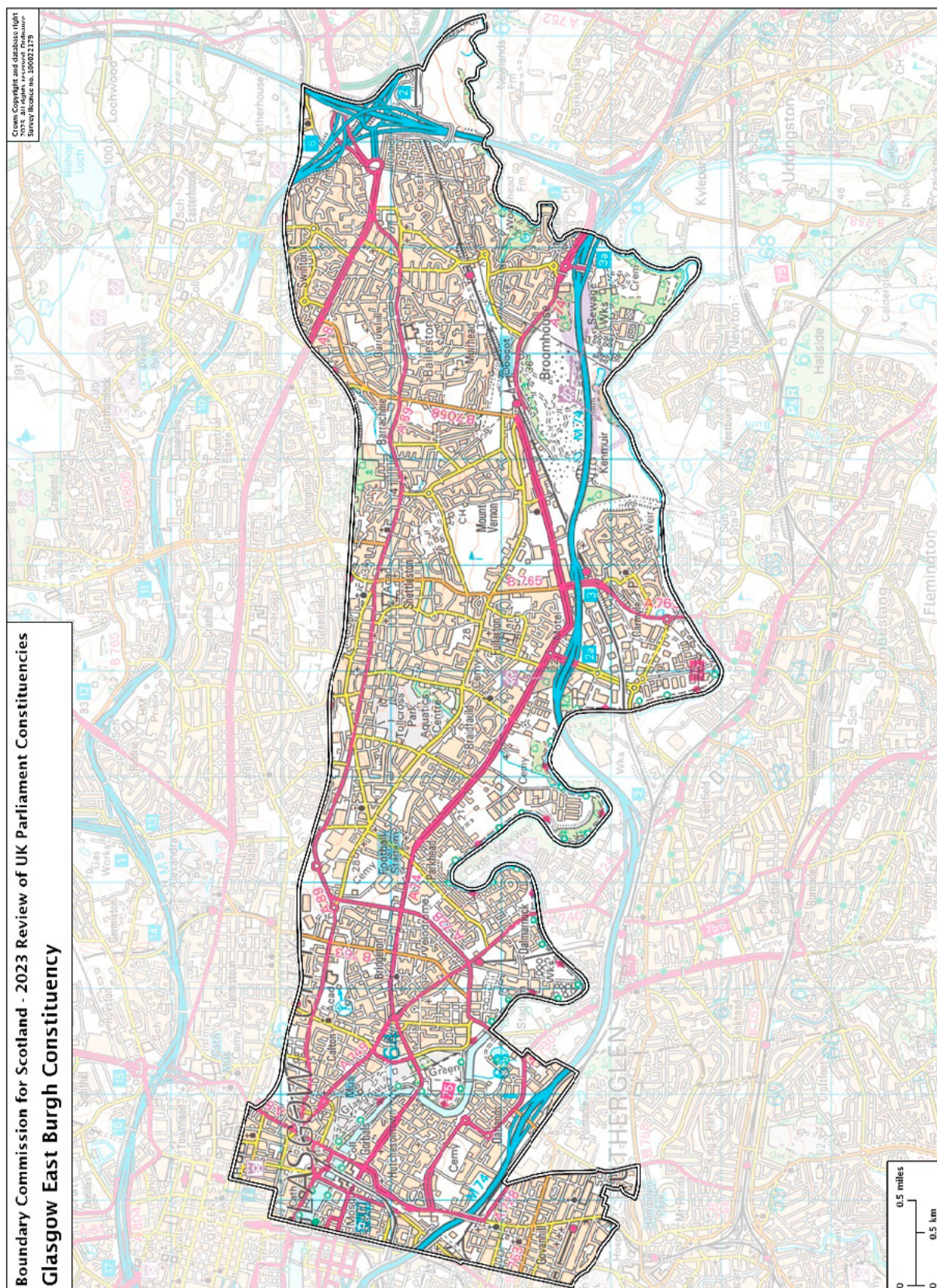
The recommended constituency comprises City of Edinburgh Council area: ward 9; and part of wards 2 (Pentland Hills), 3 (Drumrae/Gyle), 7 (Sighthill/Gorgie), 8 (Colinton/Fairmilehead), 10 (Morningside) and 11 (City Centre) where the boundaries follow the existing UK Parliament constituency boundaries.



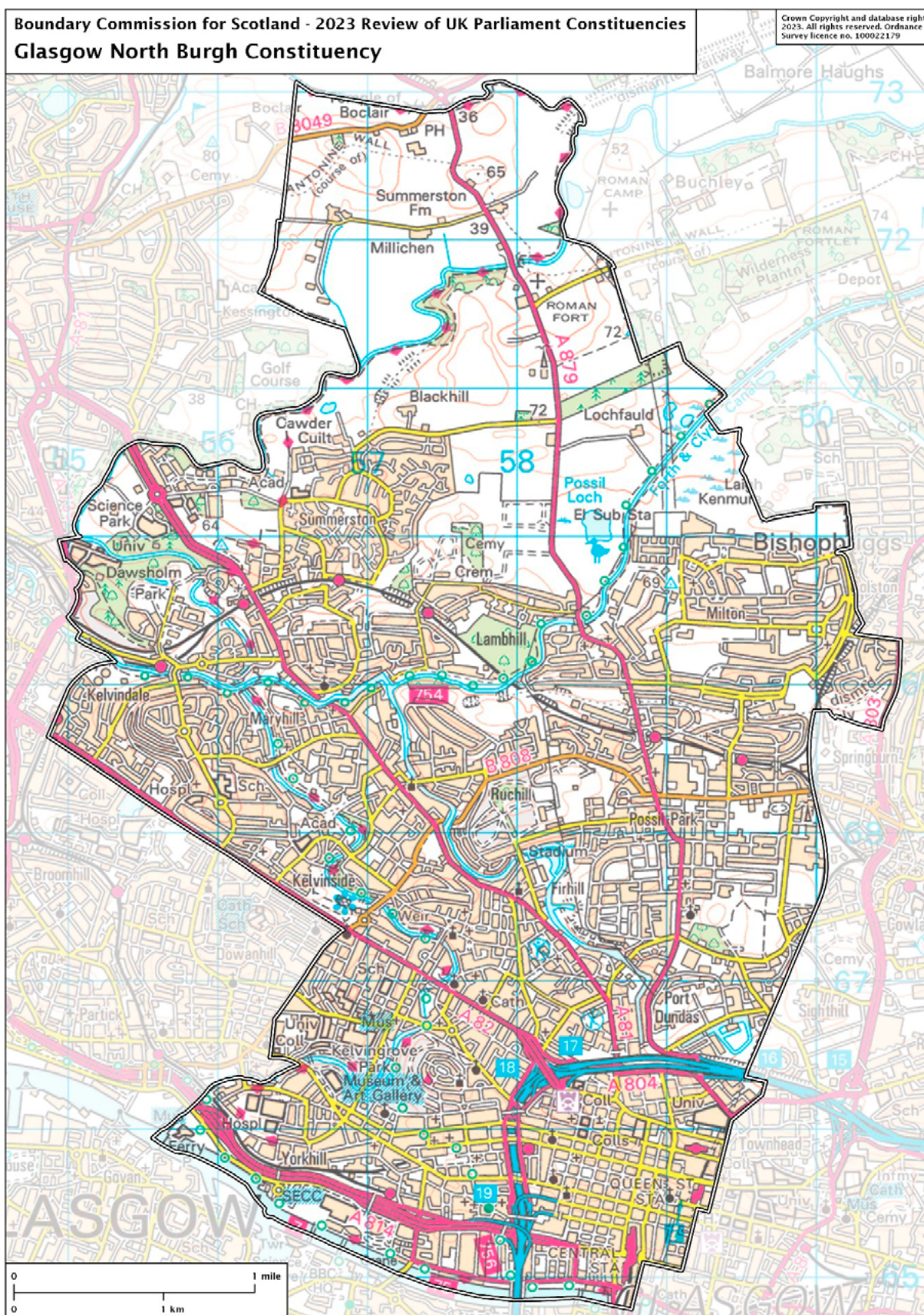
The recommended constituency comprises City of Edinburgh Council area: ward 6; part of wards 1 (Almond) and 5 (Inverleith) where the boundaries follow community council area boundaries; and part of wards 2 (Pentland Hills), 3 (Drumrae/Gyle), 7 (Sighthill/Gorgie) and 11 (City Centre) where the boundaries follow the existing UK Parliament constituency boundaries.



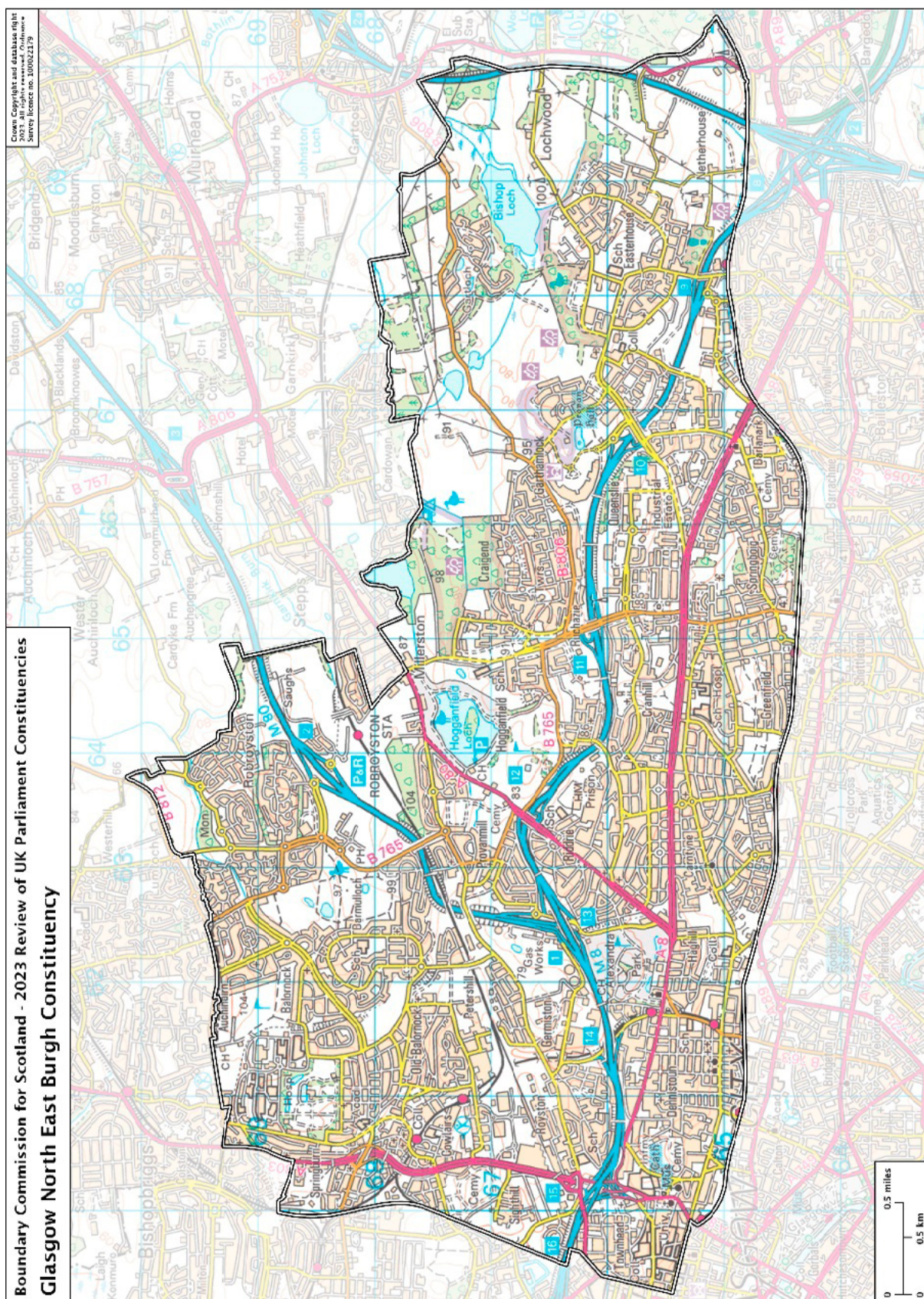
The recommended constituency comprises Falkirk Council area wards: 3, 6–9 and part of ward 5 (Bonnybridge and Larbert) where the boundary follows an historical ward boundary and the River Carron.



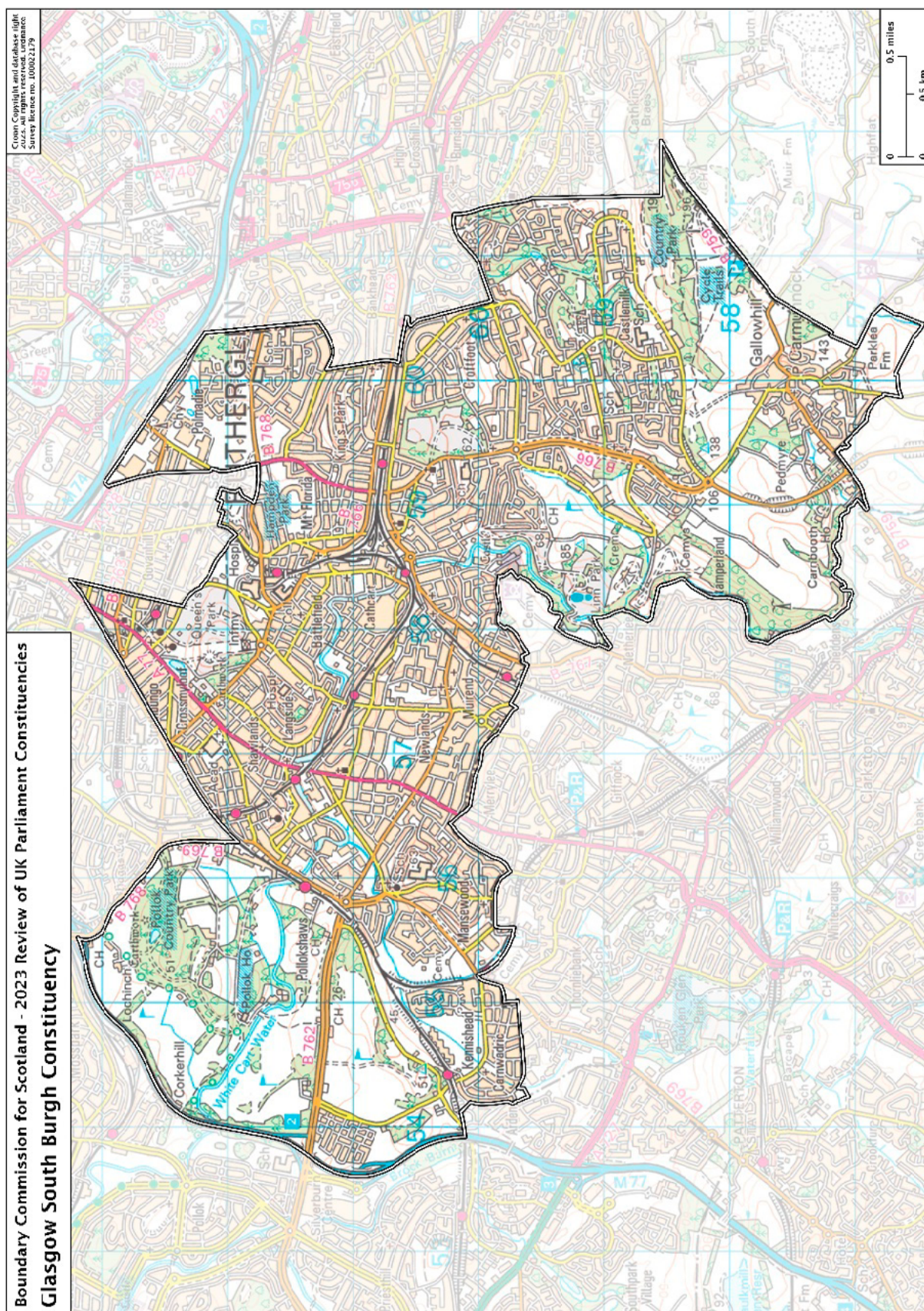
The recommended constituency comprises Glasgow City Council area: ward 19; part of ward 8 (Southside Central) where the boundary follows Victoria Road and Queen's Drive; ward 9 (Calton) where the boundary follows a railway line; ward 10 (Anderston/City/Yorkhill) where the boundary follows a community council area boundary; and ward 20 (Ballieston) where the boundary follows a railway line.



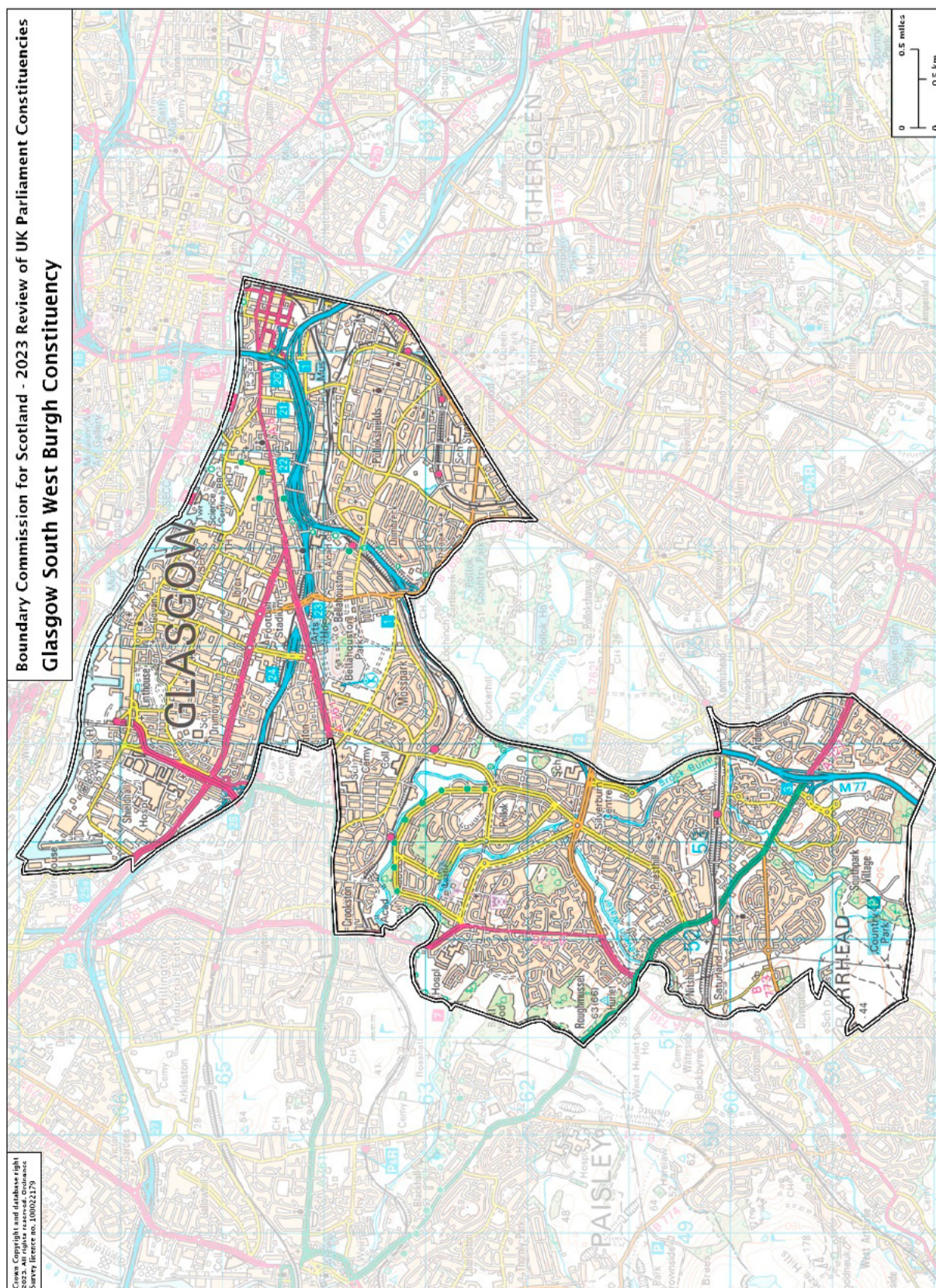
The recommended constituency comprises Glasgow City Council area: wards 11 and 15; part of ward 10 (Anderston/City/Yorkhill) where the boundary follows a community council area boundary; part of ward 16 (Canal) where the boundary follows a footpath, Forth and Clyde Canal and a railway line; and part of ward 23 (Partick East/Kelvindale) where the boundary follows the Great Western Road (A82) and a railway line.



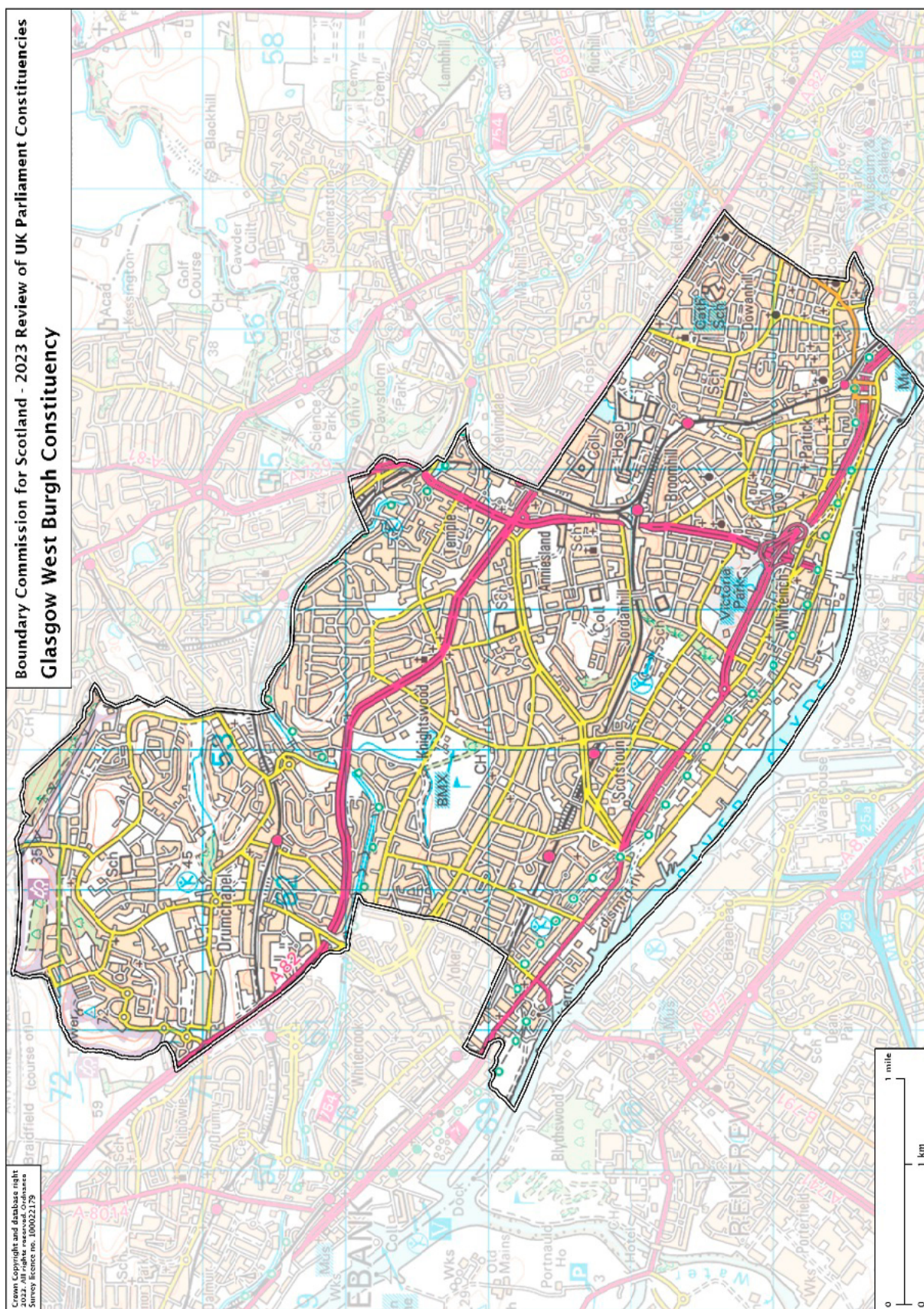
The recommended constituency comprises Glasgow City Council area: wards 17–18; 21–22; part of wards 9 (Calton) and 20 (Baillieston) where the boundary follows a railway line; part of ward 16 (Canal) where the boundary follows a footpath, Forth and Clyde Canal and railway line; and part of ward 10 (Anderston/City/Yorkhill) where the boundary follows a community council area boundary.



The recommended constituency comprises Glasgow City Council area: wards 1 and 7; part of ward 2 (Newlands/Auldburn) where the boundary mainly follows an historical ward boundary; part of ward 6 (Pollokshields) where the boundary follows a railway line; and part of ward 8 (Southside Central) where the boundary follows Victoria Road and Queen's Drive.

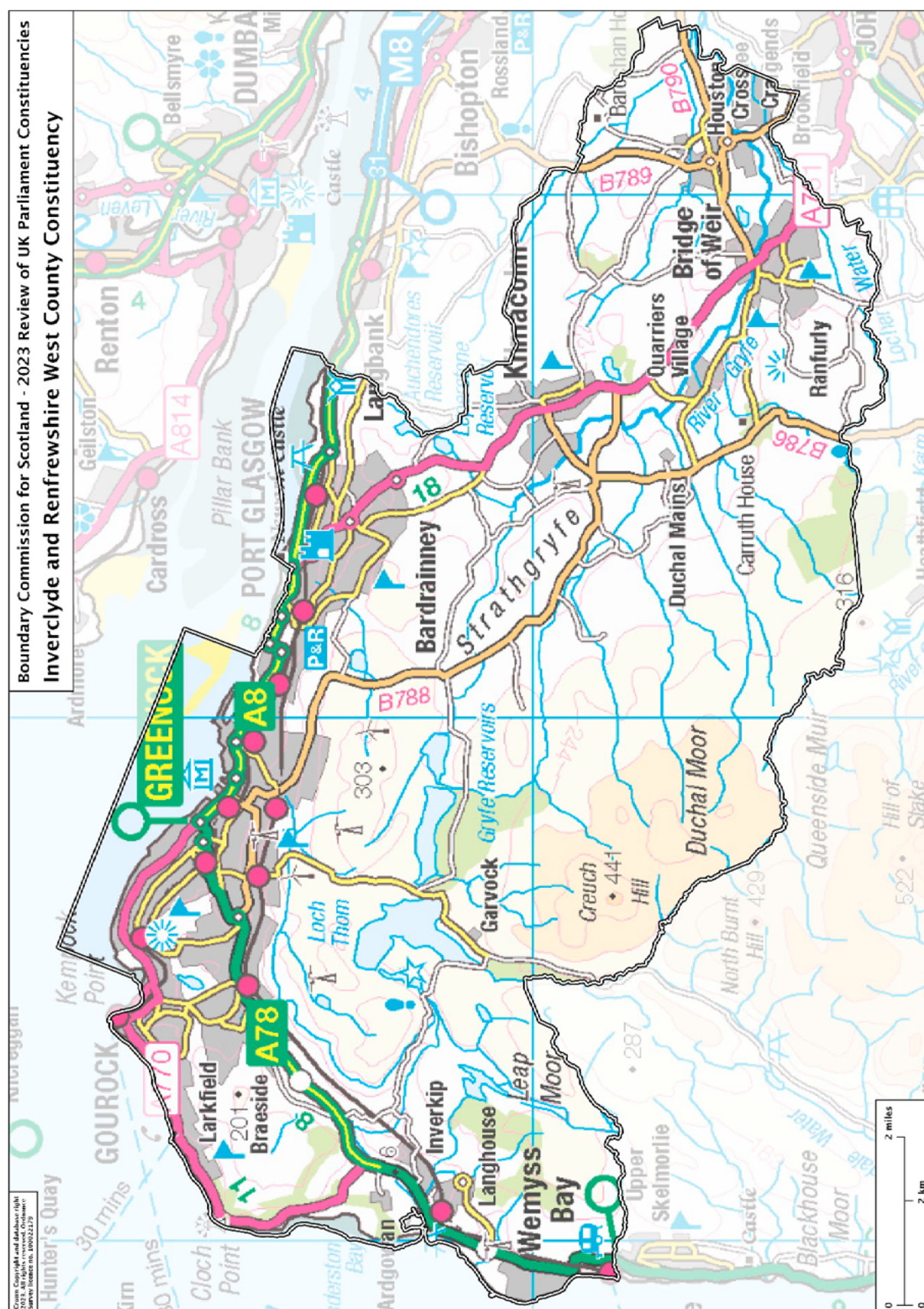


The recommended constituency comprises Glasgow City Council area: wards 3 and 5; part of ward 2 (Newlands/Auldburn) where the boundary mainly follows an historical ward boundary; part of ward 4 (Cardonald) where the boundary follows White Cart Water, Paisley Road West (A761) and Crookston Road (A736); and part of ward 6 (Pollokshields) where the boundary follows a railway line.



The recommended constituency comprises Glasgow City Council area: wards 12 and 14; part of ward 13 (Garscadden/Scotstounhill) where the boundary follows Kelso Street and a railway line; and part of ward 23 (Partick East/Kelvindale) where the boundary follows the Great Western Road (A82) and a railway line.

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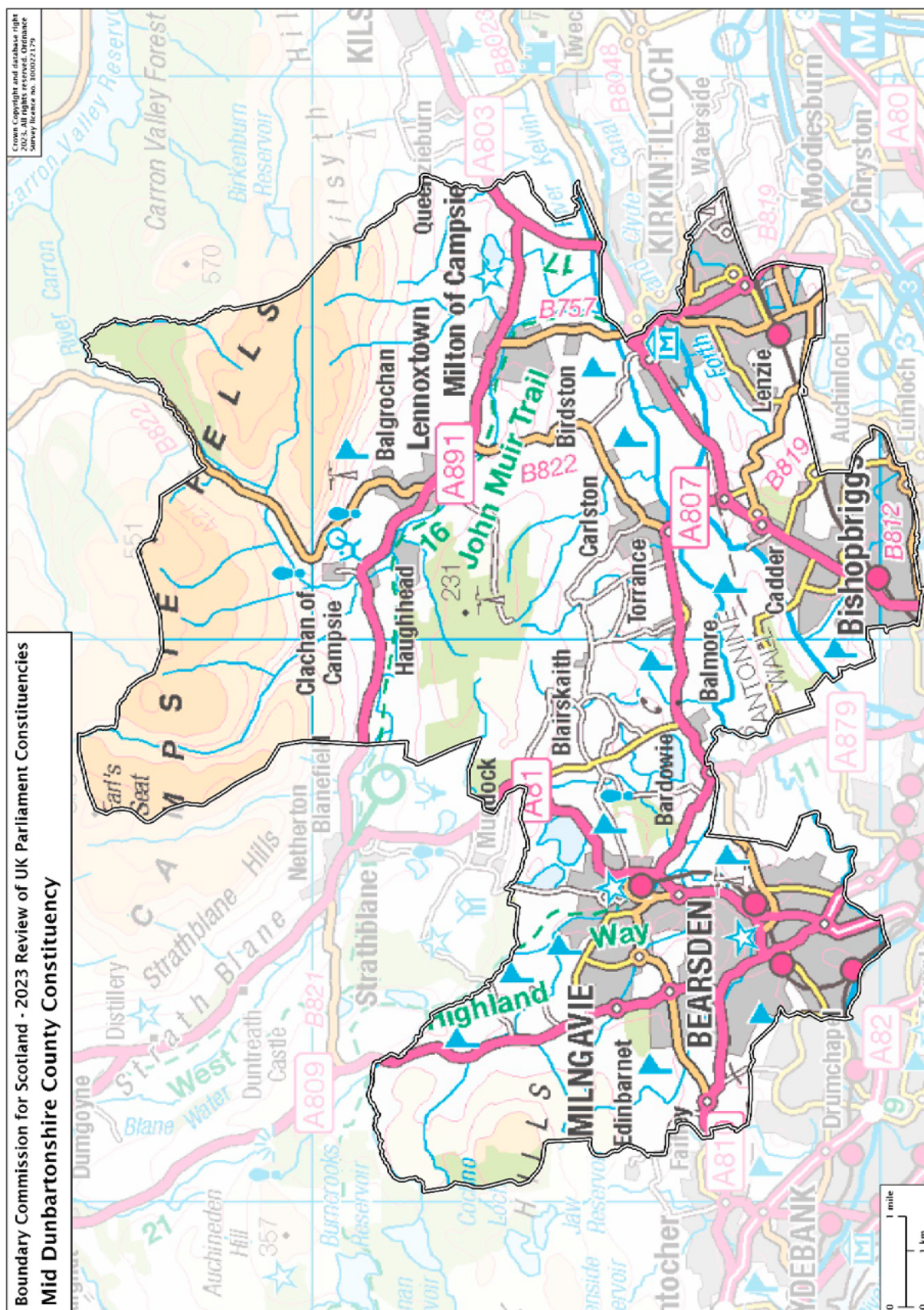
The recommended constituency comprises the whole of Inverclyde Council area; part of Renfrewshire Council area ward 10 (Houston, Crosslee and Linwood) where the boundary mainly follows community council area boundaries; and ward 11 (Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank) where the boundary follows West Glen Road and Barochan Road.

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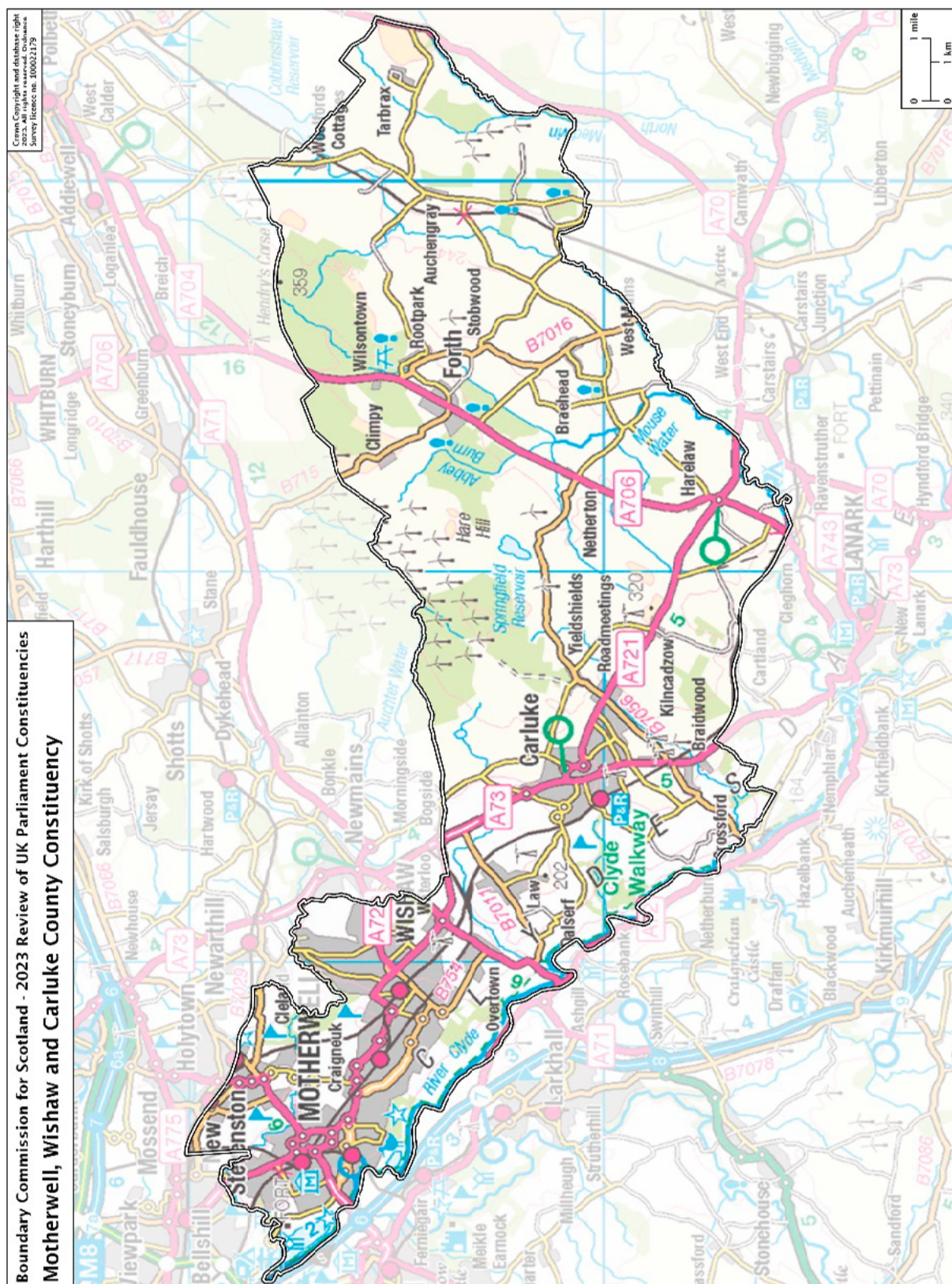


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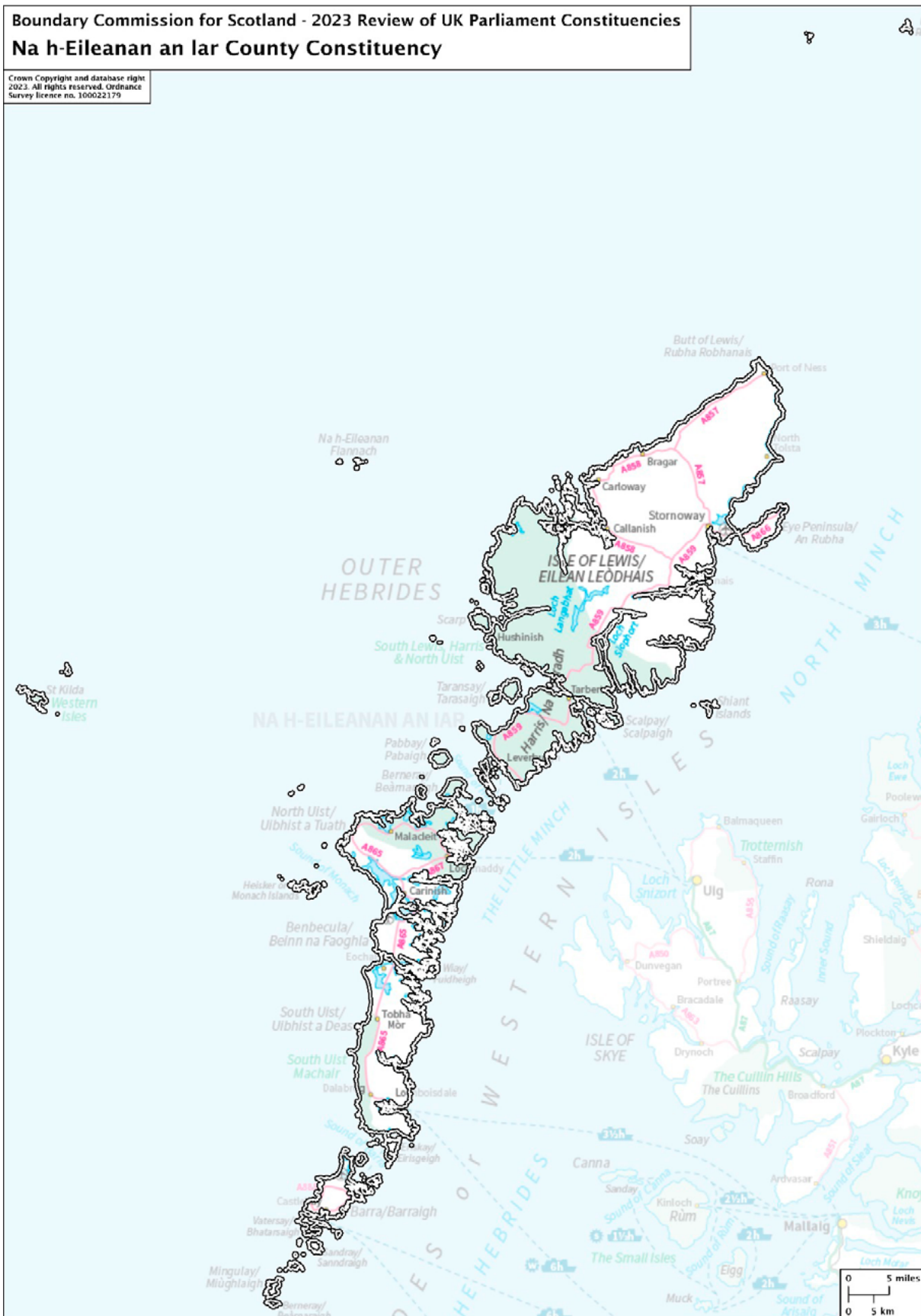
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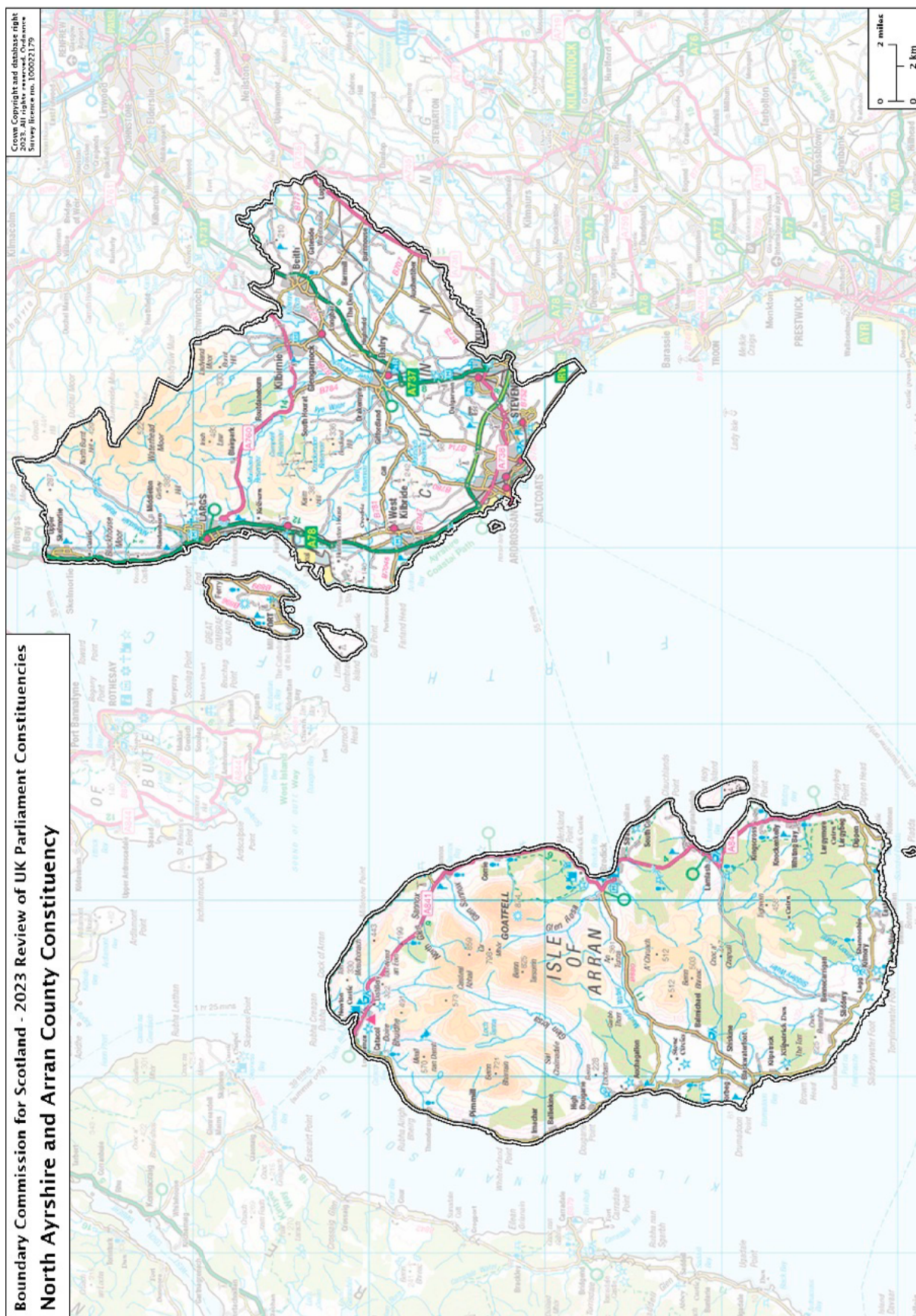
The recommended constituency comprises Highland Council area wards 18, 20 and part of ward 17 (Culloden and Ardersier) where the boundary mainly follows a community council area boundary; and Moray Council area wards 1, 5–8 and part of ward 4 (Fochabers Lhanbryde) where the boundary follows the River Spey.



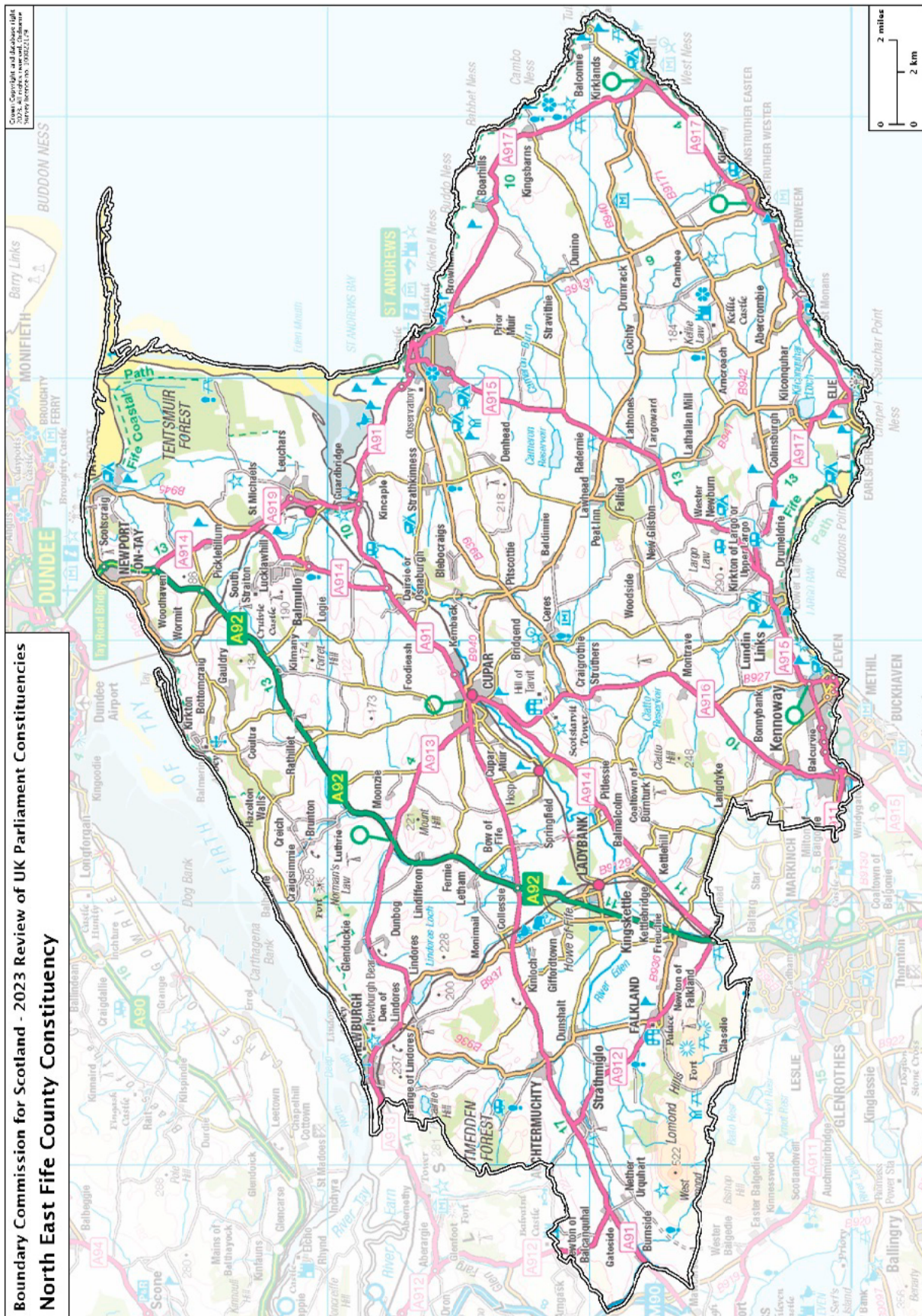
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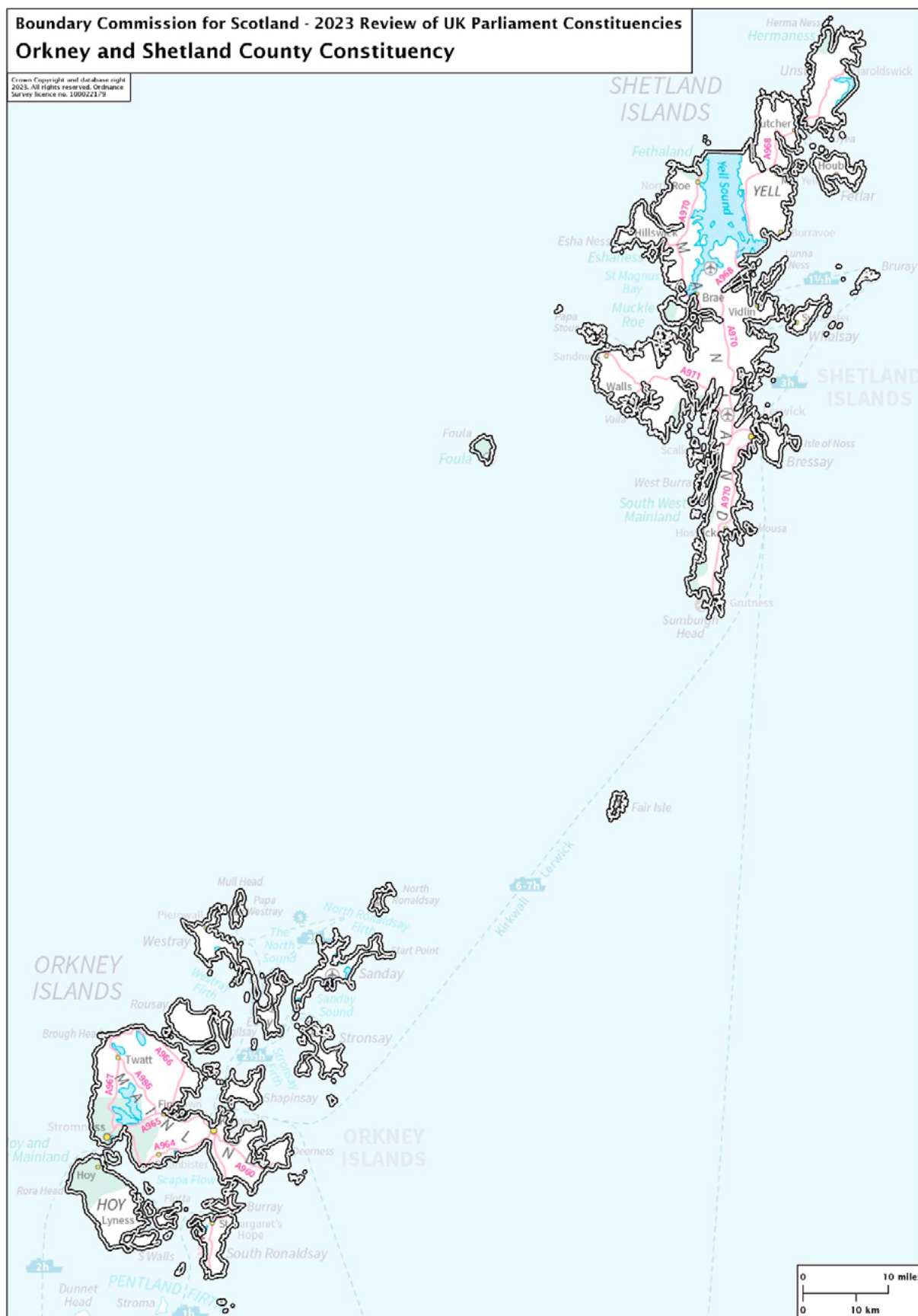
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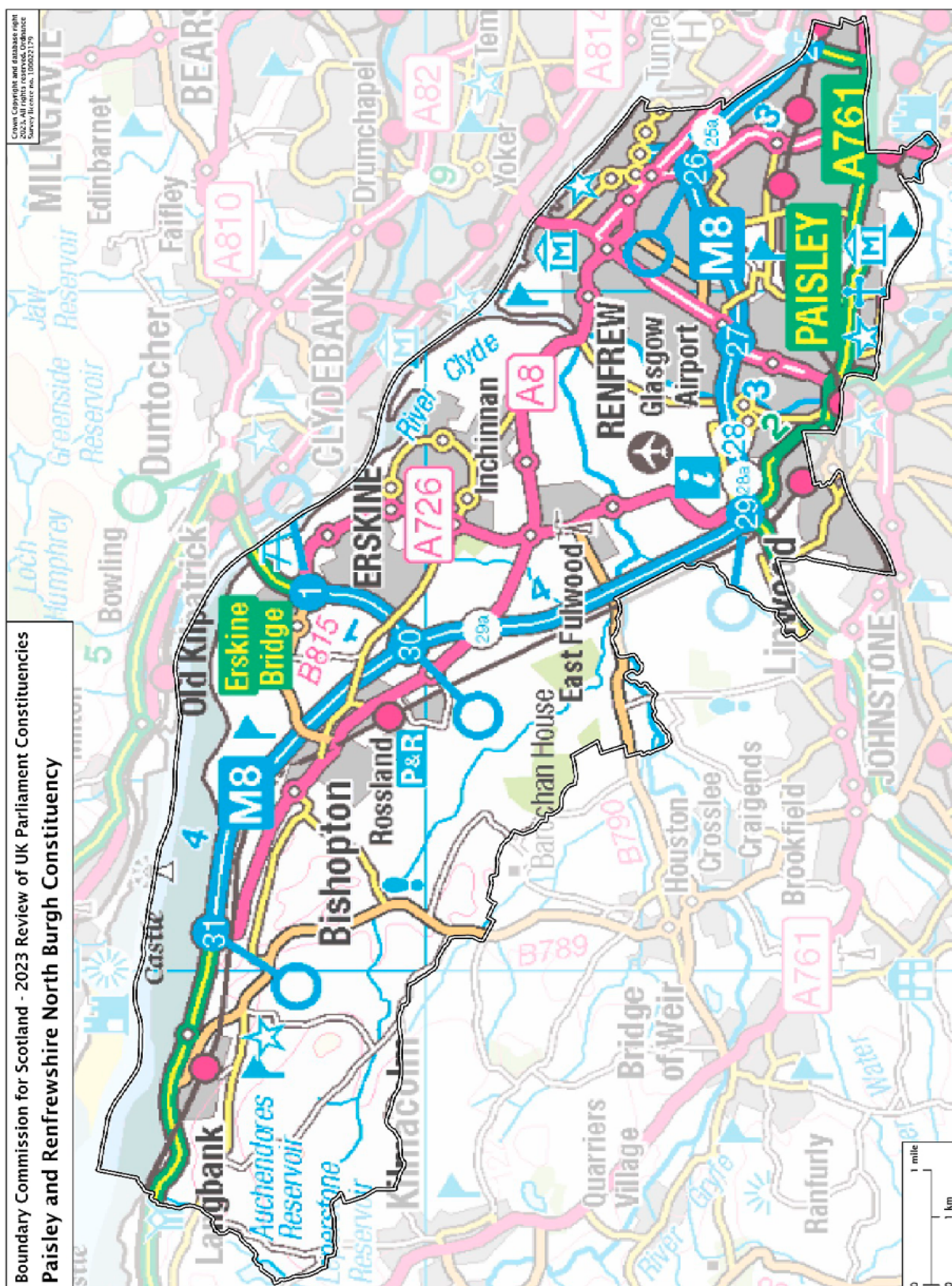
The recommended constituency retains the existing North Ayrshire and Arran constituency. It comprises North Ayrshire Council area: wards 4–9; and part of ward 3 (Kilwinning) where the boundary follows the existing constituency boundary.



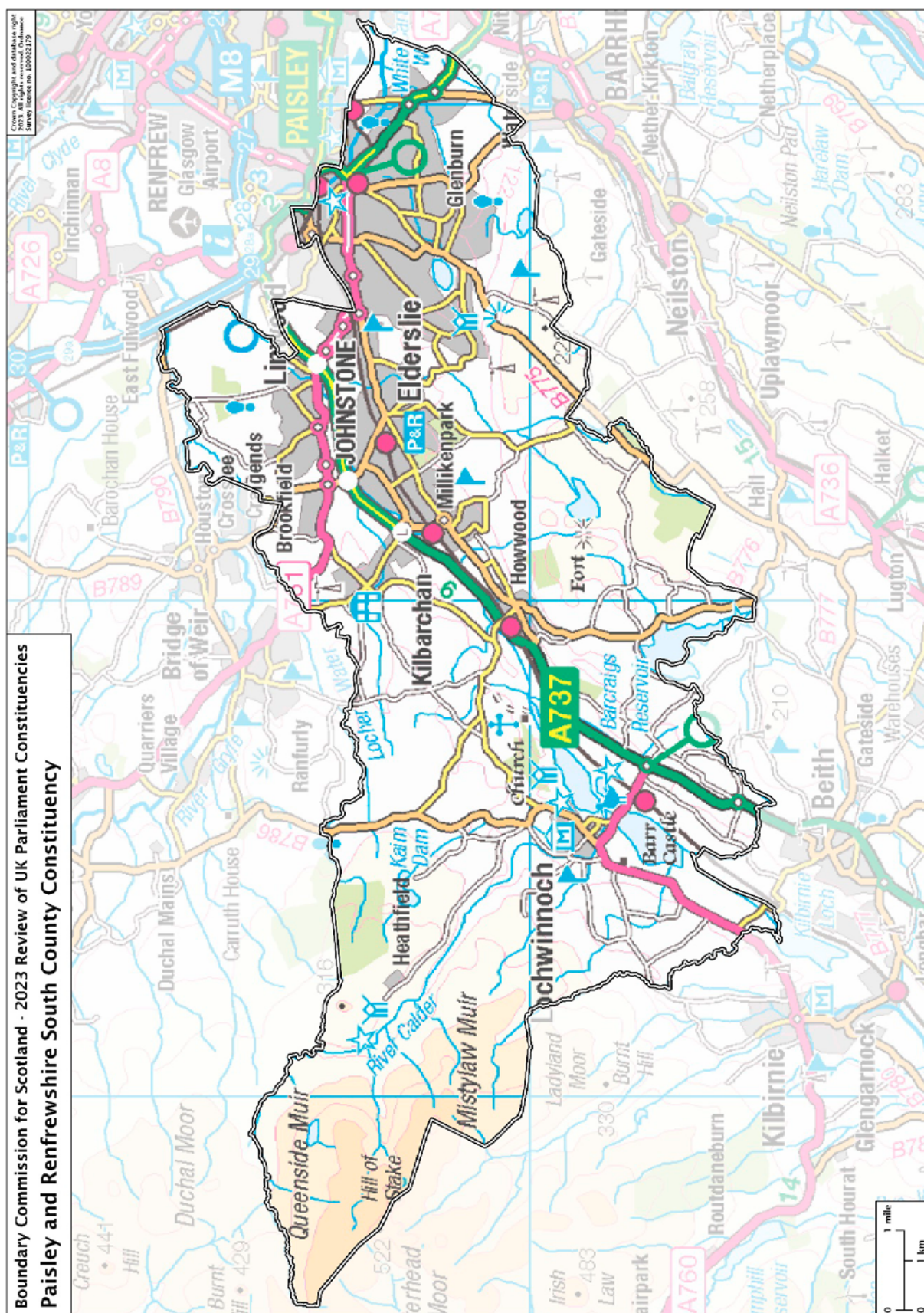
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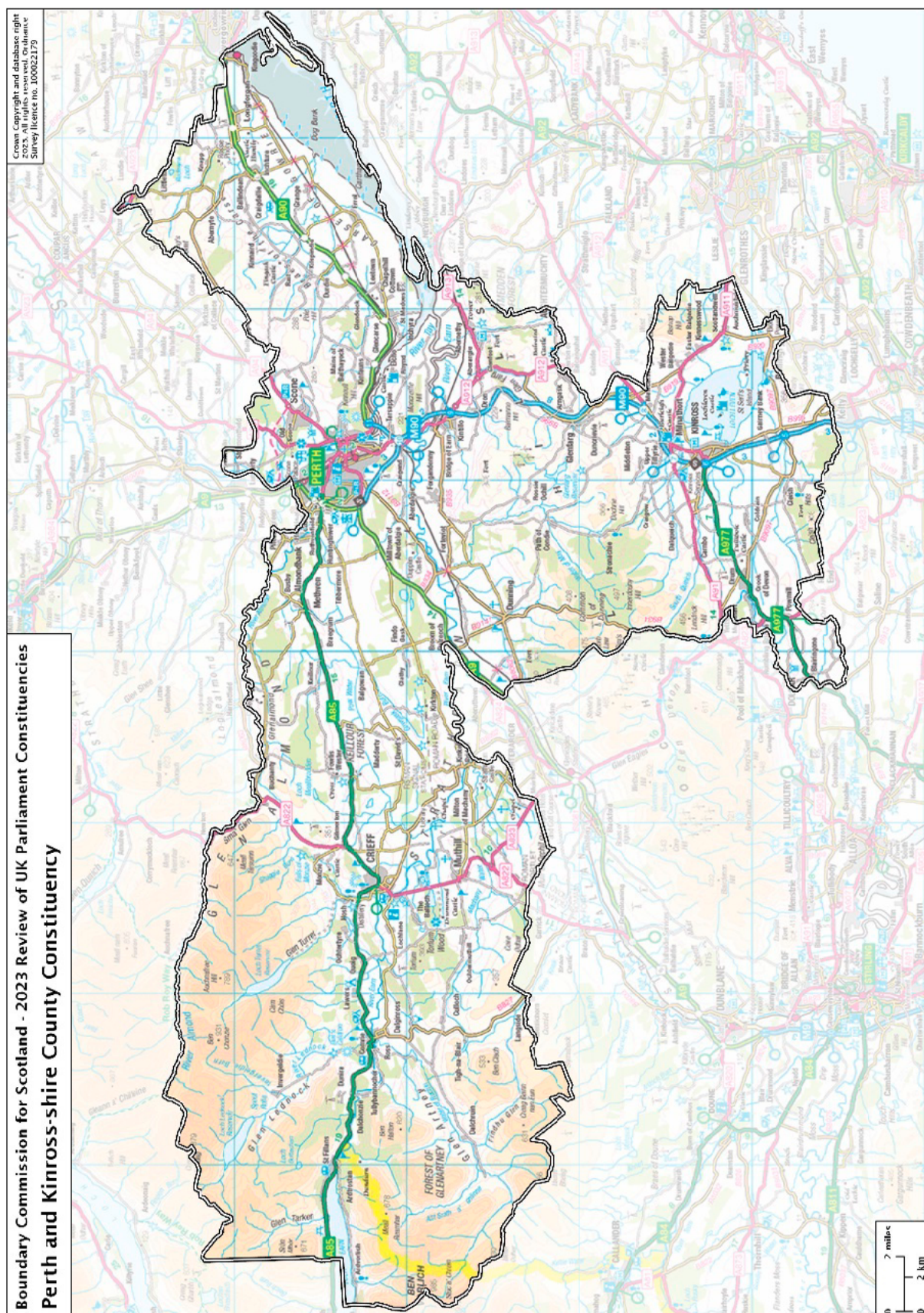
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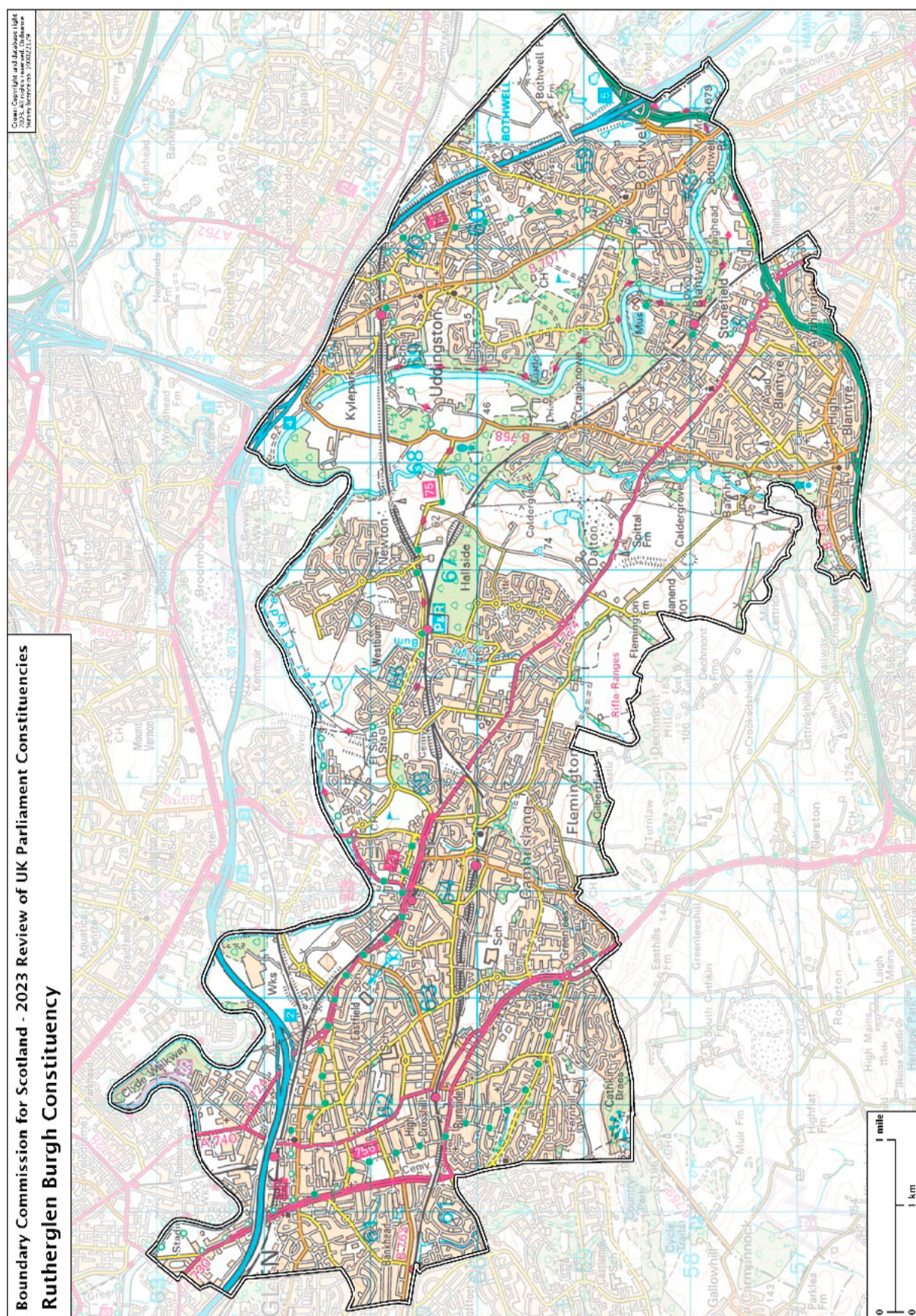
The recommended constituency comprises Renfrewshire Council area wards 1–3 and 12; part of ward 4 (Paisley Northwest) where the boundary follows a community council area boundary, an historical ward boundary and minor streets, and ward 11 (Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank) where the boundary follows West Glen Road and Barochan Road; and part of Glasgow City Council area ward 4 (Cardonald) where the boundary follows White Cart Water and Paisley Road West (A761) and Crookston Road (A736).



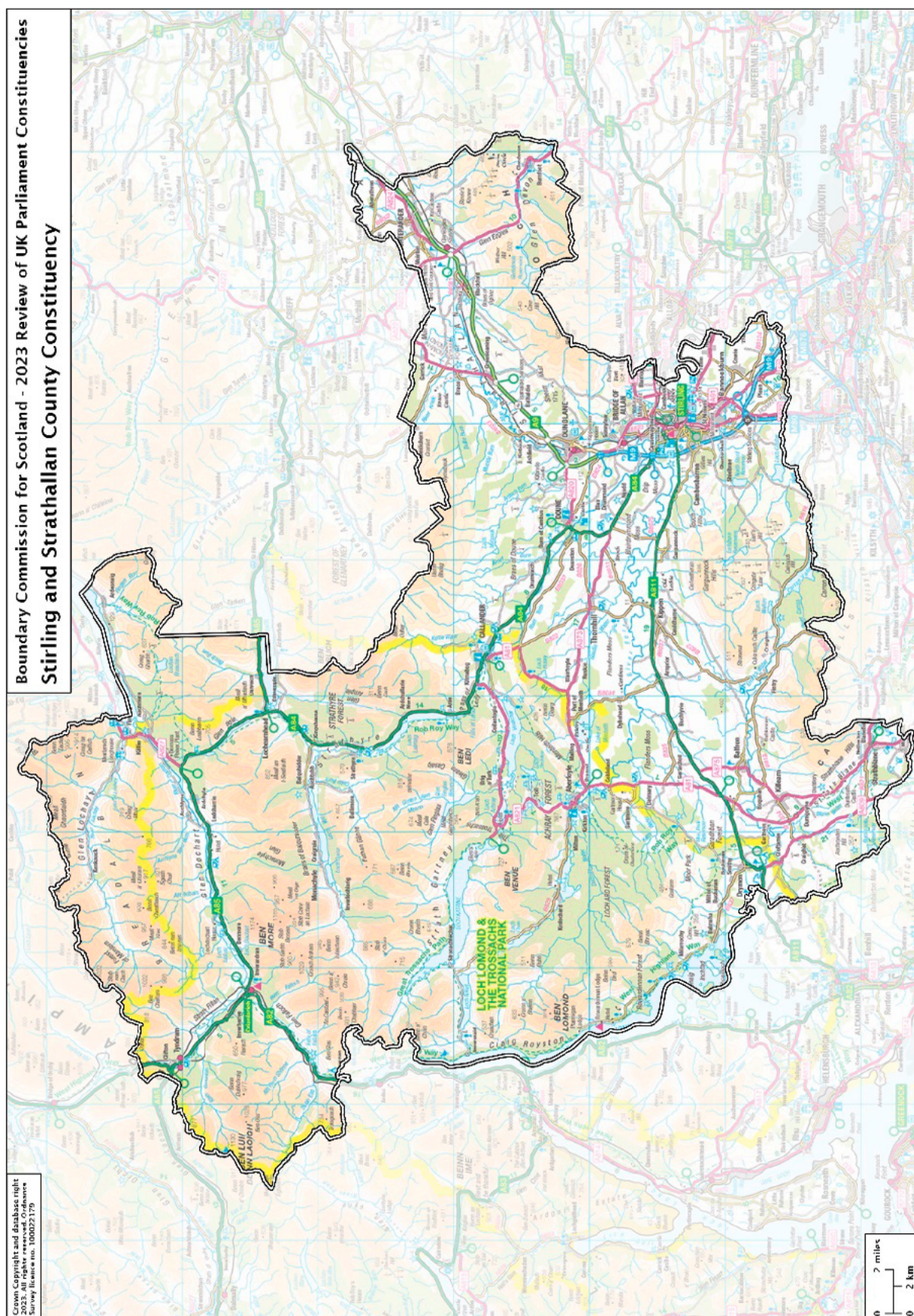
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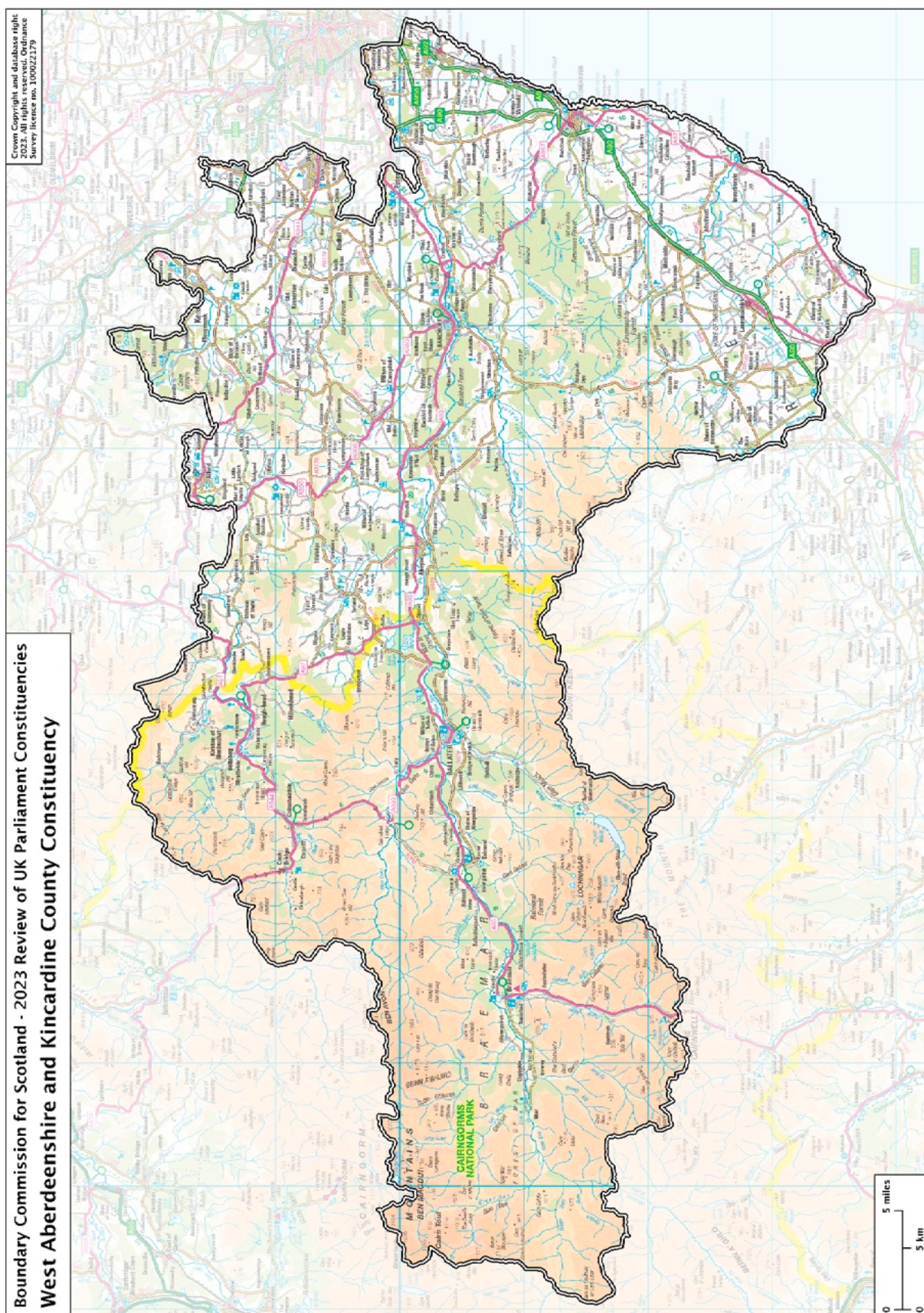
The recommended constituency comprises Perth and Kinross Council area: wards 1, 6 and 8–12; part of wards 2 (Strathmore) and 5 (Strathay) where the boundaries follow community council area boundaries and a minor road; and ward 7 (Strathallan) where the boundary follows community council area boundaries, the A9 road and natural features.



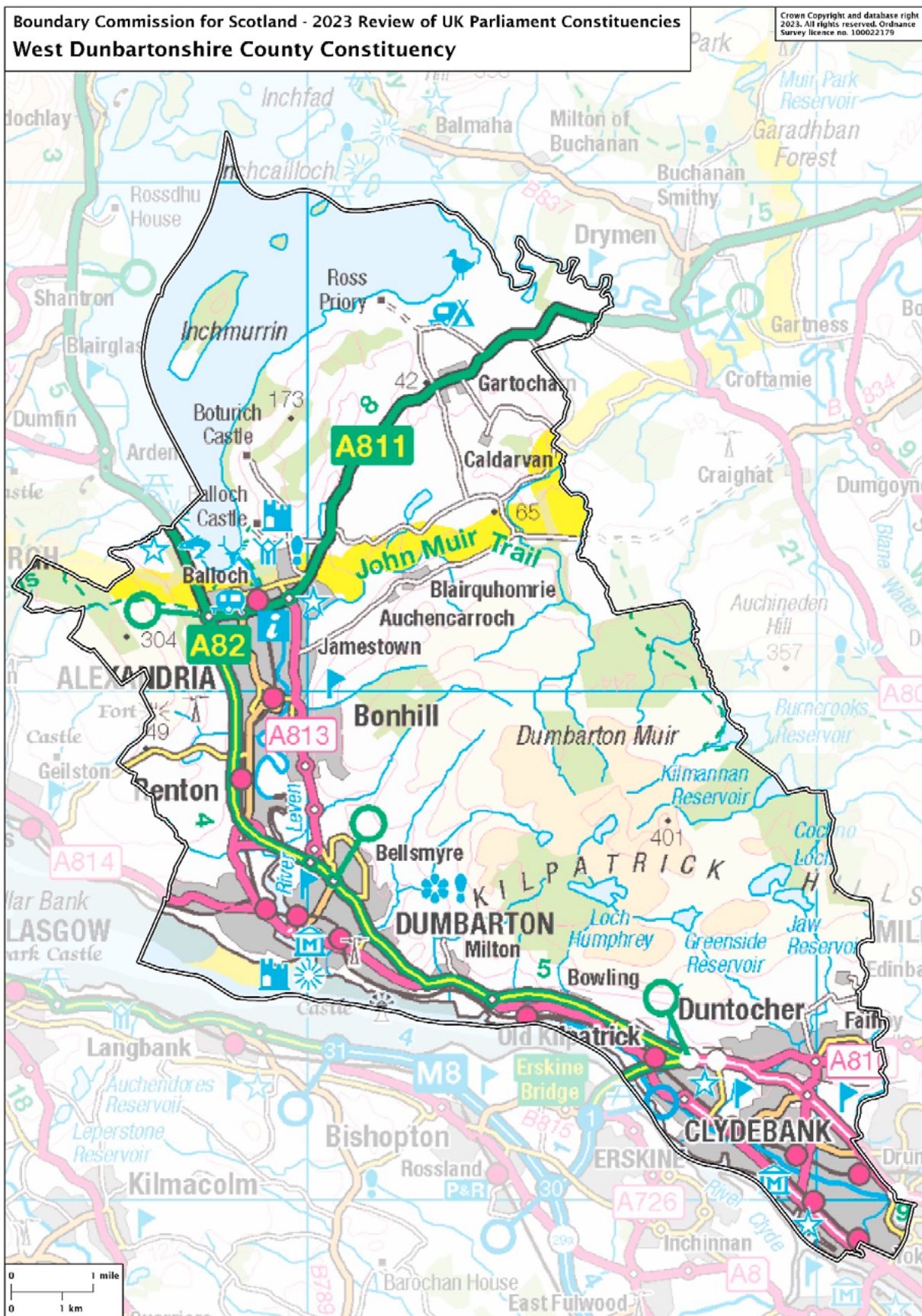
The recommended constituency comprises South Lanarkshire Council area wards 11–16.



The recommended constituency comprises the whole of Stirling Council area; and part of Perth and Kinross Council area ward 7 (Strathallan) where the boundary follows community council area boundaries, the A9 road and natural features.



The recommended constituency retains the existing West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine constituency boundary. It comprises Aberdeenshire Council area: wards 13 and 15–19; and part of wards 10 (West Garioch), 12 (East Garioch) and 14 (Huntly, Strathbogie and Howe of Alford) where the boundary follows the existing constituency boundary.



The recommended constituency comprises the whole of West Dunbartonshire Council area; and part of Glasgow City Council area ward 13 (Garscadden/Scotstounhill) where the boundary follows Kelso Street and a railway line.

