

INFORMATION PAPER

UK PARLIAMENT CONSTITUENCIES IN SCOTLAND: 2024 ONWARDS

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This paper explains the 57 UK Parliament constituencies in Scotland that have been in use in Scotland since 2024, and their relationship with local government boundaries in Scotland.

These 57 constituencies resulted from our 2023 Review which was published in June 2023 and enacted in November 2023 by the Parliamentary Constituencies Order 2023.

A summary of the main rules and their application during the 2023 Review were:

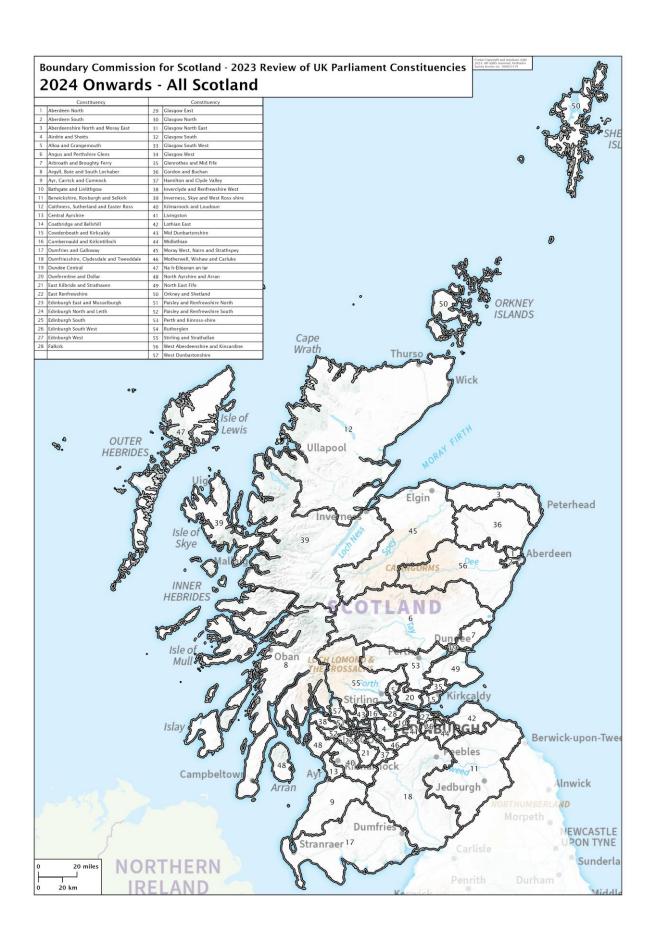
- all constituencies had to be within 5% of the electorate quota of 73,393 between 69,724 and 77,062 electors. The electorate quota was calculated by dividing the total UK mainland electorate by 645 mainland constituencies. Two Scottish island constituencies were reserved Na h-Eileanan an Iar and Orkney and Shetland. Three further island constituencies were reserved: Isle of Wight (2) and Anglesey. Scotland was allocated 57 constituencies for the 2023 Review, two less than from 2005-2024. England was allocated 543 (+10), Northern Ireland 18 (no change) and Wales 32 (-8). This was due to population movement within the UK.
- no constituency could be larger than 13,000 km². We could recommend a
 constituency with an electorate outwith the quota if it was larger than 12,000
 km².
- special geographical considerations, including in particular the size, shape and accessibility of a constituency.
- regard shall be had to the boundaries of local authority areas.
- existing constituency boundaries.
- any local ties which would be broken by changes in constituencies.

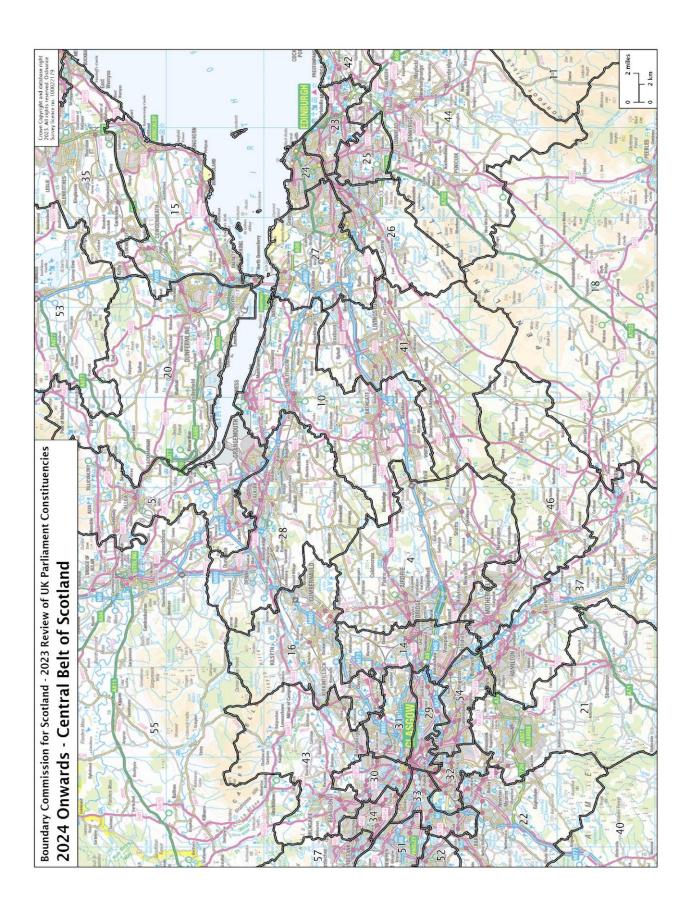
Our 2023 Review was conducted between 2021 and 2023. Eight mainland constituencies were unchanged. We recommended 17 burgh and 40 county constituencies. Each constituency was designated as either a county constituency or a burgh constituency. These designations affect the allowable expenses by candidates during elections. The largest recommended constituency by area was Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross, at 11,798 km². The smallest was Glasgow West, at 19 km². The recommended constituency with the fewest electors, at 69,734, was Glenrothes and Mid Fife. The largest was Stirling and Strathallan at 77,008.

These constituencies were first contested in the General Election 4 July 2024.

An alphabetical list of the constituencies is at Appendix A. A list of which constituencies cover each of Scotland's 32 local government areas appears at Appendix B.

Our 6th Review commenced in 2011 but was cancelled in 2013. Our 2018 Review commenced in 2016 and our recommendations were submitted to Parliament in 2018 but the recommendations from all four Boundary Commissions were not implemented due to the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020. Both of these reviews would have recommended a total of 600 UK Parliament constituencies, instead of 650.





Appendix A - Constituency names and designations

This Appendix is an alphabetical list of the 17 burgh constituencies and 40 county constituencies.

All but eight mainland constituencies were unchanged from their predecessors. These were: 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. The two island constituencies of Na h-Eileanan an lar and Orkney and Shetland were reserved and also unchanged.

| Constituency name | Designation |
|---|-------------|
| Aberdeen North | Burgh |
| Aberdeen South | Burgh |
| Aberdeenshire North and Moray East | County |
| Airdrie and Shotts | County |
| Alloa and Grangemouth | County |
| Angus and Perthshire Glens | County |
| Arbroath and Broughty Ferry | County |
| Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber | County |
| Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock | County |
| Bathgate and Linlithgow | County |
| Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk | County |
| Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross | County |
| Central Ayrshire | County |
| Coatbridge and Bellshill | Burgh |
| Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy | County |
| Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch | County |
| Dumfries and Galloway | County |
| Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale | County |
| Dundee Central | Burgh |
| Dunfermline and Dollar | County |
| East Kilbride and Strathaven | County |
| East Renfrewshire | County |
| Edinburgh East and Musselburgh | Burgh |
| Edinburgh North and Leith | Burgh |
| Edinburgh South | Burgh |
| Edinburgh South West | Burgh |
| Edinburgh West | Burgh |
| Falkirk | County |
| Glasgow East | Burgh |
| Glasgow North | Burgh |
| Glasgow North East | Burgh |
| Glasgow South | Burgh |
| Glasgow South West | Burgh |
| Glasgow West | Burgh |
| Glenrothes and Mid Fife | County |
| Gordon and Buchan | County |
| Hamilton and Clyde Valley | County |
| Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West | County |
| Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire | County |
| Kilmarnock and Loudoun | County |

Appendix A - Constituency names and designations

| Livingston | County |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Lothian East | County |
| Mid Dunbartonshire | County |
| Midlothian | County |
| Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey | County |
| Motherwell, Wishaw and Carluke | County |
| Na h-Eileanan an Iar | County |
| North Ayrshire and Arran | County |
| North East Fife | County |
| Orkney and Shetland | County |
| Paisley and Renfrewshire North | Burgh |
| Paisley and Renfrewshire South | County |
| Perth and Kinross-shire | County |
| Rutherglen | Burgh |
| Stirling and Strathallan | County |
| West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine | County |
| West Dunbartonshire | County |

Appendix B - Coverage of local government areas

This Appendix lists the UK Parliament constituencies that are wholly contained or partly contained within each council area in Scotland.

| Council area | Whole constituencies | Part constituencies |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| Aberdeen City | Aberdeen North Aberdeen South | |
| Aberdeenshire | Gordon and Buchan West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine | Aberdeenshire North and Moray East |
| Angus | | Angus and Perthshire Glens Arbroath and Broughty Ferry |
| Argyll and Bute | | Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber (part) |
| Clackmannanshire | | Alloa and Grangemouth Dunfermline and Dollar |
| Dumfries and Galloway | Dumfries and Galloway | Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale |
| Dundee City | Dundee Central | Arbroath and Broughty Ferry |
| East Ayrshire | Kilmarnock and Loudoun | Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock |
| East Dunbartonshire | Mid Dunbartonshire | Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch |
| East Lothian | Lothian East | Edinburgh East and Musselburgh |
| East Renfrewshire | East Renfrewshire | |
| Edinburgh, City of | Edinburgh North and Leith Edinburgh South Edinburgh South West Edinburgh West | Edinburgh East and Musselburgh |
| Eileanan an Iar, Na h- | Na h-Eileanan an Iar | |
| Falkirk | Falkirk | Alloa and Grangemouth Bathgate and Linlithgow |
| Fife | Cowdenbeath and Kirkcaldy Glenrothes and Mid Fife North East Fife | Dunfermline and Dollar |
| Glasgow City | Glasgow East Glasgow North Glasgow North East Glasgow South Glasgow South West Glasgow West | Paisley and Renfrewshire North West Dunbartonshire |
| Highland | Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross Inverness, Skye and West Ross-shire | Argyll, Bute and South Lochaber Moray West, Nairn and Strathspey |
| Inverclyde | | Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West |
| Midlothian | Midlothian | |

| Council area | Whole constituencies | Part constituencies |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| | | Aberdeenshire North and |
| Moray | | Moray East |
| | | Moray West, Nairn and |
| | | Strathspey |
| North Ayrshire | North Ayrshire and Arran | Central Ayrshire |
| North Lanarkshire | Airdrie and Shotts Coatbridge and Bellshill | Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch |
| | | Motherwell, Wishaw and |
| | | Carluke |
| Orkney Islands | | Orkney and Shetland |
| Perth and Kinross | Perth and Kinross-shire | Angus and Perthshire Glens |
| | | Stirling and Strathallan |
| | | Inverclyde and Renfrewshire |
| Renfrewshire | Paisley and Renfrewshire South | West |
| | | Paisley and Renfrewshire North |
| Scottish Borders | Berwickshire, Roxburgh and | Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale |
| | Selkirk | and Tweeddale |
| Shetland Islands | | Orkney and Shetland |
| South Ayrshire | | Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock |
| | | Central Ayrshire |
| South Lanarkshire | East Kilbride and Strathaven Hamilton and Clyde Valley | Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale |
| | | and Tweeddale |
| | | Motherwell, Wishaw and |
| | Rutherglen | Carluke |
| Stirling | | Stirling and Strathallan |
| West | | West Dunbartonshire |
| Dunbartonshire | | WEST DUIDALTOHSHILE |
| West Lothian | Livingston | Bathgate and Linlithgow |