

Naming policy

For approval

1. This paper invites the Commission to consider and formally approve the updated naming policy.

Background

2. The Parliamentary Constituency Act 1986 requires the Commission to make recommendations in relation to names and designations of constituencies. The [Policies and Procedures Booklet](#) for the 2023 Review contained guidance on the approach.

Discussion

3. As part of the lessons learned from the 2023 Review it was agreed that the Commission should update its naming policy. Appendix A contains an updated draft which includes a paragraph on the use of Gaelic names.

Recommendation

4. The Commission is invited to consider the updated naming policy and offer any suggestions before formally approving it. Once agreed, this naming policy will be published and shared with Boundaries Scotland.

Secretariat
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