

Report to Cabinet

Subject: Local Government Reorganisation in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire

Date: 26 November 2025

Author: Chief Executive

Wards Affected

All

Purpose

For Cabinet to consider the outcome of the Full Council debate on Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) and resolve the Council's position on which option to support as a final proposal for submission to Government by 28 November 2025.

Key Decision

This is a key decision as it is likely to be significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising of two or more wards of the borough.

Recommendations:

THAT CABINET:

- a. Subject to consideration of the recommendations of the Full Council, approves submission of **Option 1e** (a Northern unitary based on existing boundaries of Ashfield, Bassetlaw, Gedling, Mansfield, Newark & Sherwood; a Southern unitary based on existing boundaries of Broxtowe, Nottingham City, Rushcliffe) as this Council's preferred option for submission to Government by 28 November 2025.
- b. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive to make any minor amendments to the Option 1e submission if required prior to submission to government.
- c. Supports continued collaborative working with other local authorities across Nottingham and Nottinghamshire on implementation proposals for the new authorities.
- d. Notes the risks associated with Local Government Reorganisation and ensures that appropriate governance, communication, financial and management arrangements are put in place to mitigate potential impacts during the transition period.

1 Background

The report to the earlier meeting of Full Council is attached and sets out in detail the background to Local Government Reorganisation, the latest position, and asked the Council to make recommendations to the Cabinet in respect of submitting a preferred option.

2 Proposal

The Cabinet is asked to consider the outcome of Full Council prior to this meeting and resolve to support a preferred option for submission to Government by 28 November 2025.

3 Alternative Options

As set out in the report to Full Council 26 November 2025.

4 Financial Implications

As set out in the report to Full Council 26 November 2025.

5 Legal Implications

As set out in the report to Full Council 26 November 2025.

6 Equalities Implications

As set out in the report to Full Council 26 November 2025.

7 Carbon Reduction/Sustainability Implications

As set out in the report to Full Council 26 November 2025.

8 Appendices

Appendices for the Full Council meeting 26 November 2025.

9 Background Papers

[English Devolution White Paper](#)
[Gedling Interim Plan report – Council on 19 March 2025](#)
[Council report - Local Government Reorganisation in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire – Council on 30 July 2025](#)

10 Reasons for Recommendations

To ensure that the Council meets the requirements of the statutory invitation from Government to submit a final proposal for Local Government Reorganisation by 28 November 2025.