



Press Release

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Fenland District Council submits formal response to Government consultation on local government reorganisation

Fenland District Council has confirmed its support for Option D (proposal 4) in the Government's statutory consultation on Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

While the Council remains clear that the Government's approach to reorganisation is "unduly rushed" and "restricted in scope", it has concluded that Option D is the only viable model that protects local communities, reflects real economic geographies and avoids creating an unsustainable new authority.

Its formal response gives detail on why, of the options proposed, the Council backs a change that would see Fenland join with East Cambridgeshire and part of Huntingdonshire to make a new unitary authority.

You can read the Council's full submission to Government here:
fenland.gov.uk/LGRconsultation

The Government consultation is seeking views on the four different options to reorganise Cambridgeshire's seven district, county and city councils into new unitary authorities responsible for all local services.

The consultation runs until **11.59pm on Thursday, 26 March 2026**. You can view the four options and take part in the consultation at: [Cambridgeshire and Peterborough LGR Consultation](#).

The Government is expected to make its final decision in the summer, with elections to the new shadow councils in May 2027 and the councils going live in April 2028.

Under Option D, three new unitary councils would be created across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough:

- **Greater Peterborough Unitary Authority:** comprising Peterborough City Council and Northern Huntingdonshire District Council.
- **Cambridgeshire Fens Unitary Authority:** comprising Fenland, East Cambridgeshire and Eastern and Southern Huntingdonshire District Councils.

- **Greater Cambridge Unitary Authority:** comprising South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council.

For more information on Local Government Reorganisation in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, including FAQs, visit: fenland.gov.uk/LGR

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