

North East Derbyshire District Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Thursday, 6 November 2025

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision	Reasons	Options
3	Local Government Reorganisation Submission	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> – That Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Considered the views of Council on the proposal for Local Government Reorganisation in Derbyshire including a preferred option (detailed in the appendices in the proposal at Appendix 1). 2. Approve the proposal, with option A as the base case supported by modification A1 as the preferred boundary option (detailed in the appendices in the proposal at Appendix 1) for submission to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government by 28 November 2025. 3. Delegated authority to make any minor changes to the Managing Director in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Local Government Reorganisation and Leader of the Council, ahead of submission. <p>This was a Key Decision but in accordance with 13 (h) of the Council’s Scrutiny Rules, the Call-in procedure has been waived.</p>	<p>On 21 March 2025 an Interim Plan for LGR was submitted which set out the preferred option to reorganise the existing 10 councils into two new unitary authorities. Following submission of the Interim Plan, extensive work has taken place to develop a robust business case which directly addresses government criteria and will lead to, simpler and more financially sustainable local government in Derbyshire.</p> <p>The final proposal (Appendix 1), due to be submitted to government on 28 November 2025, proposes a North and a South unitary council, working in conjunction with the already established East Midlands Combined Authority. The new unitaries will be large enough to deliver effectively the full range of services currently offered. Our analysis shows this geography creates councils with equitable starting points.</p> <p>The proposal is built on a vision of a future where the North and South unitary authorities deliver high quality, value for money public services to residents with communities that will thrive. Local neighbourhoods will remain at the core of public services, empowered and informed within this new, enhanced public service delivery structure.</p>	<p>Do nothing – not considered as the Government have issued a statutory invitation and the Cabinet needs to be provided with the details to make a decision whether to submit a proposal.</p>