

BURRINGHAM, GUNNESS AND SKIPPINGDALE

Proposed New Ward Name	Previous name(s)	Polling Districts	Forecast of electors	Target of electors	Variance	%
Burringham, Gunness and Skippingdale	Burringham and Gunness	BRG1 BRG2 BRG3 BRG4 BRG5 BRG6 BRG7 CRP3	7,092	6,392	730	11

Criteria	Notes
1	This proposal almost meets the need for electoral equality as the proposed number of voters in the ward falls slightly outside the accepted elector to member ratio.
2	<p>Burringham and Gunness are long established, distinct and strong communities. However, it was a one-member ward, with the council's preference to move away from this philosophy.</p> <p>In order to increase the electorate of the ward so that it can become a two-member ward, the council has proposed to include the Berkeley and Skippingdale housing estates to the ward (CRP3). Many residents have informed elected members that they access schools, doctors' surgeries and local services and amenities within the Burringham and Gunness ward.</p> <p>The residents of the Skippingdale area are currently situated within the Burton-upon-Stather and Winterton electoral ward. The residents of the aforementioned estate consider themselves to be a part of Scunthorpe and not Flixborough parish. Burton-upon-Stather and Winterton contain predominantly villages, which Skippingdale is not. In addition, the residents of Skippingdale are actively pursuing becoming a parish in their own right, which the council believes will be best served in the Burringham, Gunness and Skippingdale electoral ward.</p> <p>BSW6 was removed from the Burton-upon-Stather and Winterton ward as it covered the polling district adjacent to the Skippingdale housing estate. Therefore, as the estate was now in the proposed Gunness, Burringham and Skippingdale ward it was important that the polling district was co-terminus with the new ward.</p>
3	These ward proposals create a coherent ward and so allows for effective and convenient local government.