

**Local Government Boundaries Commissioner  
for Northern Ireland**

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**Representation Form**

Title  Forename  Surname

Organisation   
(If applicable)

E-mail

Address

Town

Postcode

District(s) and/or Ward(s) about which Representation is to be made.

Local Government District(s) (LGD)

Ward(s)

**Written Representation**

I am opposed to the reduction of council numbers on the following grounds:

- it continues the destruction of the historic identity of our towns and regions which was begun by earlier redrawings of boundaries
- it will not necessarily lead to a reduction in costs as local depots & offices will need to be maintained and councillors' travelling expenses will increase
- I feel that at the moment some councillors are out of touch with local feelings - this is bound to increase when LGDs are enlarged.
- Decisions will be taken by people who know nothing about my area & may be influenced by party & regional rivalries.
- There will no longer be a mayor who can attend local functions & represent the town.

- I feel that some regional services eg the planning service are totally out of touch with local wishes & needs → this reduces confidence <sup>among</sup> voters. The latter problem will be greatly magnified under the new LGDs.
- The whole point of local government is that it should reflect local wishes and give people a feeling that the council is really "theirs". The new LGDs are not local, do not reflect local identity and are likely to alienate voters.

Please continue on additional pages if required.

If you intend to present your representation at any of the public hearings listed below, please tick the appropriate venue. This will allow us to set aside time for your oral representation.

- North West LGD - The City Hotel - 11-12 January 2007**  
Queen's Quay, Derry, BT48 7AS
- West LGD - Omagh College - 15-16 January 2007**  
2 Mountjoy Road, Omagh, BT79 7AH
- Belfast LGD - Belfast City Hall - 18-19 January 2007**  
Belfast, BT1 5GS
- East LGD - Lough Moss Centre - 23-24 January 2007**  
Hillsborough Rd, Carryduff, Belfast, BT8 8HR
- North East LGD - University of Ulster - 30-31 January 2007**  
Coleraine Campus, Cromore Road, Coleraine, BT52 1SA
- South LGD - Armagh City Hotel - 5-6 February 2007**  
Friary Road, Armagh, BT60 4FR
- Inner East LGD - Templeton Hotel - 8-9 February 2007**  
882 Antrim Road, Templepatrick, BT39 0AH
- I will be attending the selected hearing(s) but I do not wish to make a Representation.

Please advise of any special requirements you have, and we will endeavour to accommodate them.

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Please return completed forms to: Amanda Morrison, Secretary, Office of the Local Government Boundaries Commissioner, Forestview, BELFAST, BT8 7AR