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Dear Zulf

Re: ZD/AL Request from Broxtowe Borough Council Cabinet for views on Local Government Reorganisation (LGR)

I hope you are well.

Thank you for your letter dated Friday 5th September requesting my views on Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) written on behalf of your Cabinet.

As outlined in my statement on 4 August 2025, the MPs' views are not being sought. The process of putting forward viable options is purely a local government/local council responsibility, as is supporting a decision which represents their preferred option(s). Would you let me know what the option is being put forward by Broxtowe Borough Council?

I would like to understand the Cabinet's view on what LGR options they are putting forward. To date, I have not seen any view other than general opposition to any kind of LGR.

In February of this year, the Government invited all councils across two-tier areas to work with other councils in their areas to formulate proposals to be considered over the summer. What proposals have been put forward by the Cabinet?

It is vital that our local council leaders work hard to ensure that Broxtowe has a 'seat at the table' and does not miss out on opportunities for partnership working to deliver crucial services.

I have attached a copy of my statement for ease of reference.

Yours sincerely

Juliet Campbell

Member of Parliament for Broxtowe

Statement by Juliet Campbell MP on Local Government Reorganisation August 2025

The Government put forward a White Paper on English Devolution in December 2024.

In Broxtowe, we currently have two-tier authorities where some services are provided by the Broxtowe Borough Council, and others by Nottinghamshire County Council.

The Government plans to abolish existing authorities in areas with two-tier authorities and establish new unitary authorities. Simpler structures can lead to better outcomes for residents, improved local accountability and savings which can then be reinvested in public services.

Local authorities were asked by the Government in February 2025 to put forward their proposals for the new unitary authority by November 2025. The Government invited all local authorities to hold consultations with residents while forming their proposals.

Today, the nine councils in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire have published their official consultation for residents. It is open until Sunday 14th September 2025. I strongly urge all constituents to fill this out and share your thoughts. I have put the link in the comments below.

As your MP, I do not submit a proposal about what the new authority should look like, that is what local councils have been asked to do.

It is my stance that whatever the new authorities look like that they are beneficial for all my constituents in Broxtowe and that resident's voices are at the heart of the new authority.

My hope is that Broxtowe Borough Council puts forward a proposal that will be the best for my constituents in Broxtowe and will ensure that Broxtowe gets the best services and investment.

I feel strongly that Broxtowe should not be split up or segmented into different parts, such as Beeston, Stapleford and Bramcote joining a new Nottingham City authority while the rest of the borough joins a new Nottinghamshire County authority. Our borough has its own unique character, people and spaces and should not be divided.

I strongly encourage all constituents to complete the joint consultation and share your thoughts on how local government reorganisation should look for Broxtowe.