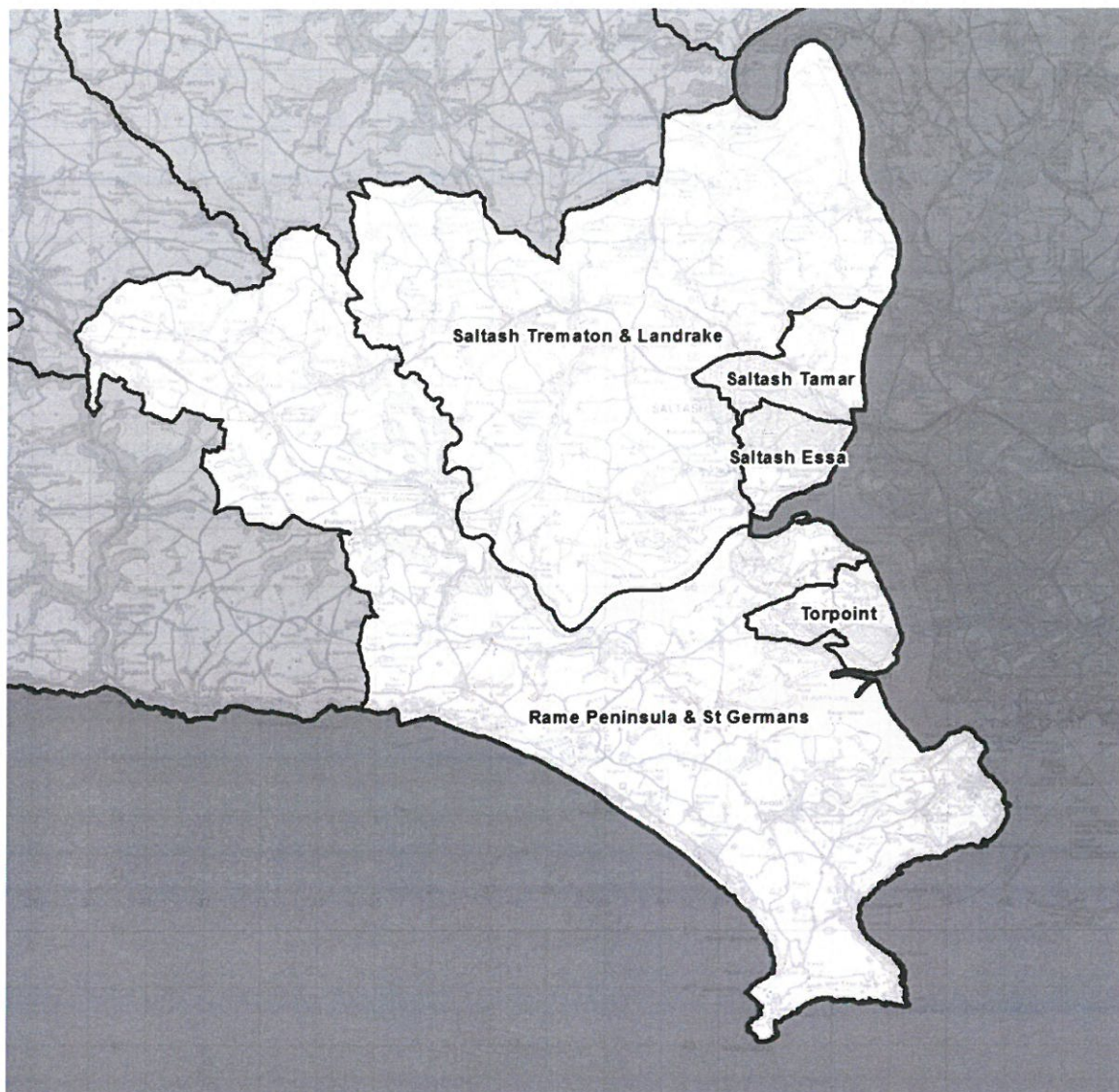


## The Rame Peninsula, Saltash and Torpoint



Division name	Number of councillors	Variance 2023
Rame Peninsula & St Germans	1	6%
Saltash Essa	1	-2%
Saltash Tamar	1	8%
Saltash Trematon & Landrake	1	-4%
Torpoint	1	10%

### *Rame Peninsula & St Germans and Torpoint*

183 During the consultation on the draft recommendations, we received a number of submissions relating to the proposed Rame Peninsula & St Germans division. A local resident wrote in support of the proposed division. Shevioc Parish Council objected to the draft recommendations, stating that the division will be too large to be



sufficiently well-represented. However, due to the reduction in the number of councillors in Cornwall, it is necessary to make alterations to the boundaries of existing divisions. Retaining the existing Rame Peninsula division would result in a variance of -25% and would require the redistribution of councillors across Cornwall. We are therefore not able to retain the existing arrangements here.

184 A local resident requested that the division boundary near to Bake Manor be amended to run along a road; however, this boundary between Rame Peninsula & St Germans and Looe East & Deviock runs along the parish boundary, and altering it would necessitate the creation of an unviable parish ward. We are therefore unable to alter the division boundary here.

185 We received a submission from St Germans Parish Council requesting that the division be named St Germans & Rame Peninsula. However, we do not propose to make this change as we do not consider that sufficient information has been received to move away from the draft recommendations.

186 We received one submission relating to the proposed Torpoint division during the consultation, in addition to comments from Cornwall Council. Torpoint Town Council made a submission that acknowledged that Torpoint parish has too high an electorate to include in one single-councillor division. The Town Council requested that an extra district councillor be allocated to the wider area around Torpoint; however, no compelling evidence was provided and we are not proposing to alter the number of councillors in Cornwall. However, the Town Council also proposed two amendments to the draft recommendations to provide for a Torpoint division that is more reflective of the communities in the area. Firstly, the Town Council propose to include the area north of Trevol Road and east of the cemetery in the Torpoint division rather than in Rame Peninsula & St Germans; this would ensure that Torpoint Health Centre and the business park are included in the Torpoint division. The Town Council also proposed an amendment to include the football ground and the Chapeldown Road area in the Torpoint division, as this area only accesses from the urban area of Torpoint to the east. Cornwall Council also put forward these alterations. We consider that these proposals would provide for a better reflection of the local community, and would also retain access routes locally, and we are therefore including them as part of our final recommendations.

187 The final recommendations are for a single-councillor Rame Peninsula & St Germans division with a projected variance of 6% and a single-councillor Torpoint division with a projected variance of 10%.

*Saltash Essa, Saltash Tamar and Saltash Trematon & Landrake*

188 We received a number of submissions during the consultation on the draft recommendations regarding the proposed division pattern for Saltash, along with altered proposals from Cornwall Council. A local resident expressed general support

for the draft recommendations. Another resident expressed concern over the size of the proposed Saltash Trematon & Landrake division, as there is forecast to be development in this area. However, we have taken into account the development forecast to be in this area over the next five years as part of the review, and allocated councillors based on this. We are content with the electorate figures supplied to us by the Council here.

189 Cornwall Council proposed a number of small alterations to the proposed divisions in Saltash in response to the draft recommendations. The Council proposed to include the village of Carkeel in the Saltash Trematon & Landrake division, in keeping with the more rural communities in the area. The Council's proposals also include the Moorlands Trading Estate in the Saltash Tamar division, as following the A38 here provides for a strong and identifiable boundary. The area around Fairmead Road is also included in the Saltash Tamar division, as this provides for a strong boundary. On consideration of the information received, we consider that the proposals put forward by Cornwall Council provide for better boundaries and good electoral equality, and we are proposing to make the amendments suggested by Cornwall Council as part of the final recommendations.

190 We are therefore proposing three single-councillor divisions as part of the final recommendations. The Saltash Essa division will have a variance of -2%, the Saltash Tamar division will have a variance of 8% and the Saltash Trematon & Landrake division will have a variance of -4% by 2023.