

CAERPHILLY

69. The current town council arrangements in Caerphilly consists of 7 wards: Brynccenydd, Castle, Cwrt Rawlins, Parcyfelin, Tonyfelin, Twyn, and Watford. The Town has a total electorate of 12,071 and is represented by 12 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

Town Ward	Electorate	Number of Councillors
Brynccenydd	839	1
Castle	1,369	2
Cwrt Rawlins	2,167	2
Parcyfelin	3,516	3
Tonyfelin	1,248	1
Twyn	1,654	2
Watford	1,278	1
Total	12,071	12

Representations

70. The Commission received 4 representations concerning the Town of Caerphilly from: The Caerphilly Council Cross Party Working Group (CCBCCPWG), the Plaid Cymru Cangen BTM Caerffili ag Iago Sant Branch (Plaid Cymru Branch), County Councillor Anne-Broughton Pettit and Community Councillor John Pettit. The representations are published on the Commission’s [website](#).

Town ward boundary proposals

71. The Commission proposes to apply 4 changes to the existing internal community boundaries, which includes the transfer of areas between the following community areas:
- Parcyfelin to Tonyfelin
 - Tonyfelin to Parcyfelin
 - Tonyfelin to Parcyfelin
 - Castle to Brynccenydd
72. The Commission proposes to transfer part of the Tonyfelin ward to the Parcyfelin ward. This involves the transfer of Castell Y Fan and affects 38 electors. This proposal was submitted by the Plaid Cymru Branch to allow Castell Y Fan to be united in 1 ward. The Commission agrees that this proposal provides improvements in the interest of effective and convenient local government as it creates a clear and logical boundary and unites residents of Castell Y Fan in 1 ward. The proposal can be found on the map on page 30 and in greater detail on the map on page 31.
73. The Commission also proposes to transfer part of the Tonyfelin ward to the Parcyfelin ward. This involves the transfer of the area north east of the ward including Caerphilly Leisure Centre and affects 119 electors. This proposal is based on the representation submitted by the Plaid Cymru Branch to allow all residents in Haner Erw, Cwrt Gwaun Fach and Heol Bro Wen to be included in the Parcyfelin ward. The Commission is of the view that the proposal provides for effective and convenient local government as it creates improved access to the area and a clearer boundary between the 2 wards. The proposal can be found on the map on page 30 and in greater detail on the map on page 31.

74. The Commission also proposes to transfer part of the Parcyfelin ward to the Tonyfelin ward. This involves the transfer of polling district JB3 and affects 159 electors. This proposal was submitted by the Plaid Cymru Branch to allow for the polling district to be included in the Tonyfelin ward due to the area being a natural social extension of the Tonyfelin ward. The Commission agrees that the proposal provides for effective and convenient local government as residents in polling district JB3 have direct access to the Tonyfelin ward and the proposal creates a clear boundary between the 2 wards. The proposal can be found on the map on page 30 and in greater detail on the map on page 32.
75. The Commission further proposes to transfer part of the Castle ward to the Brynccenydd ward. This involves the transfer of the front area and grounds of Caerphilly Castle and affects 0 electors. This proposal was submitted by Community Councillor John Pettit to allow for all of the Castle grounds to be included in the Brynccenydd ward, which would create a clearer boundary between the 2 wards. The Commission agrees that the proposal provides for effective and convenient local government as it creates a clearer boundary between the 2 wards. The proposal can be found on the map on page 30 and in greater detail on the map on page 33.
76. As a result of these proposals, there would be no changes to the electorate within the Community of Caerphilly or the Community of Van.

Proposed Names

77. As a result of these proposals the Commission proposes retaining the English community name of **Caerphilly** and the Welsh community name of **Caerffili** as prescribed in the County Borough of Caerphilly (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
78. The Commission also proposes retaining the single community ward name of **Brynccenydd** as prescribed in the County Borough of Caerphilly (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
79. The Commission also proposes retaining the English community ward name of **Castle** with the Welsh community ward name of **Y Castell** as prescribed in the County Borough of Caerphilly (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
80. The Commission also proposes retaining the English community ward name of **Cwrt Rawlins** with the Welsh community ward name of **Cwrt Rawlin** as prescribed in the County Borough of Caerphilly (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
81. The Commission also proposes retaining the single community ward name of **Parcyfelin** as prescribed in the County Borough of Caerphilly (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
82. The Commission also proposes retaining the single community ward name of **Tonyfelin** as prescribed in the County Borough of Caerphilly (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
83. The Commission also proposes retaining the single community ward name of **Twyn** as prescribed in the County Borough of Caerphilly (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
84. The Commission also proposes retaining the single community ward name of **Watford** as prescribed in the County Borough of Caerphilly (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.

Consequential Changes

Town Council electoral arrangements

85. The proposed town council arrangements in the Caerphilly Town council area would consist of 7 wards: Brynccenydd, Castle, Cwrt Rawlins, Parcyfelin, Tonyfelin, Twyn, and Watford. The Town has a total electorate of 12,071 and is represented by 14 community councillors.
86. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to community electoral arrangements that would occur following these proposals. The Commission’s proposed electoral arrangements for the town council can be seen below.

Caerphilly Town Council								
Existing					Proposed			
Wards	Electors	Community Councillors	Electors per Councillor	Variance	Electors	Community Councillors	Electors per councillor	Variance
Brynccenydd	839	1	839	-17%	839	1	839	-3%
Castle	1,369	2	685	-32%	1,369	2	685	-21%
Cwrt Rawlins	2,167	2	1,084	8%	2,167	2	1,084	26%
Parcyfelin	3,516	3	1,172	17%	3,514	3	1,171	36%
Tonyfelin	1,248	1	1,248	24%	1,250	2	625	-28%
Twyn	1,654	2	827	-18%	1,654	2	827	-4%
Watford	1,278	1	1,278	27%	1,278	2	639	-26%
	12,071	12	1,006		12,071	14	862	

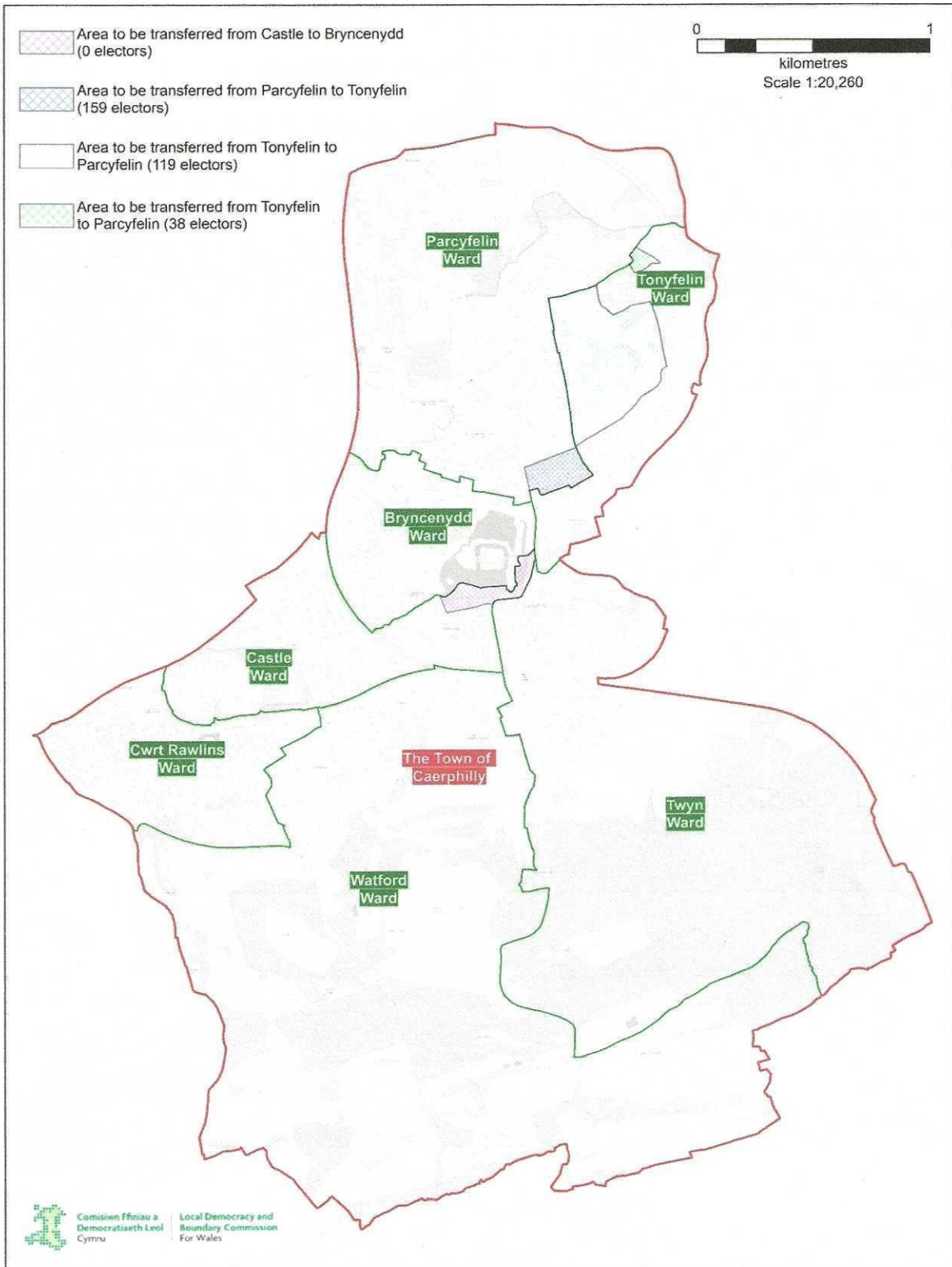
The Commission notes that the council size policy submitted by CCBCCPWG would mean that the Town of Caerphilly would be entitled to between 17 and 20 community councillors. However, in order to provide effective and convenient local government, the Commission has proposed that the Town of Caerphilly be represented by 14 community councillors to provide fair representation across the community area.

Principal council electoral ward arrangements

87. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these proposals.
88. As a consequence of the proposed changes to the warding arrangements within Caerphilly the Commission also propose the same changes be applied to the existing electoral wards below:
- Morgan Jones
 - St Martins
89. The Commission’s proposed electoral ward arrangements can be seen on page 29.

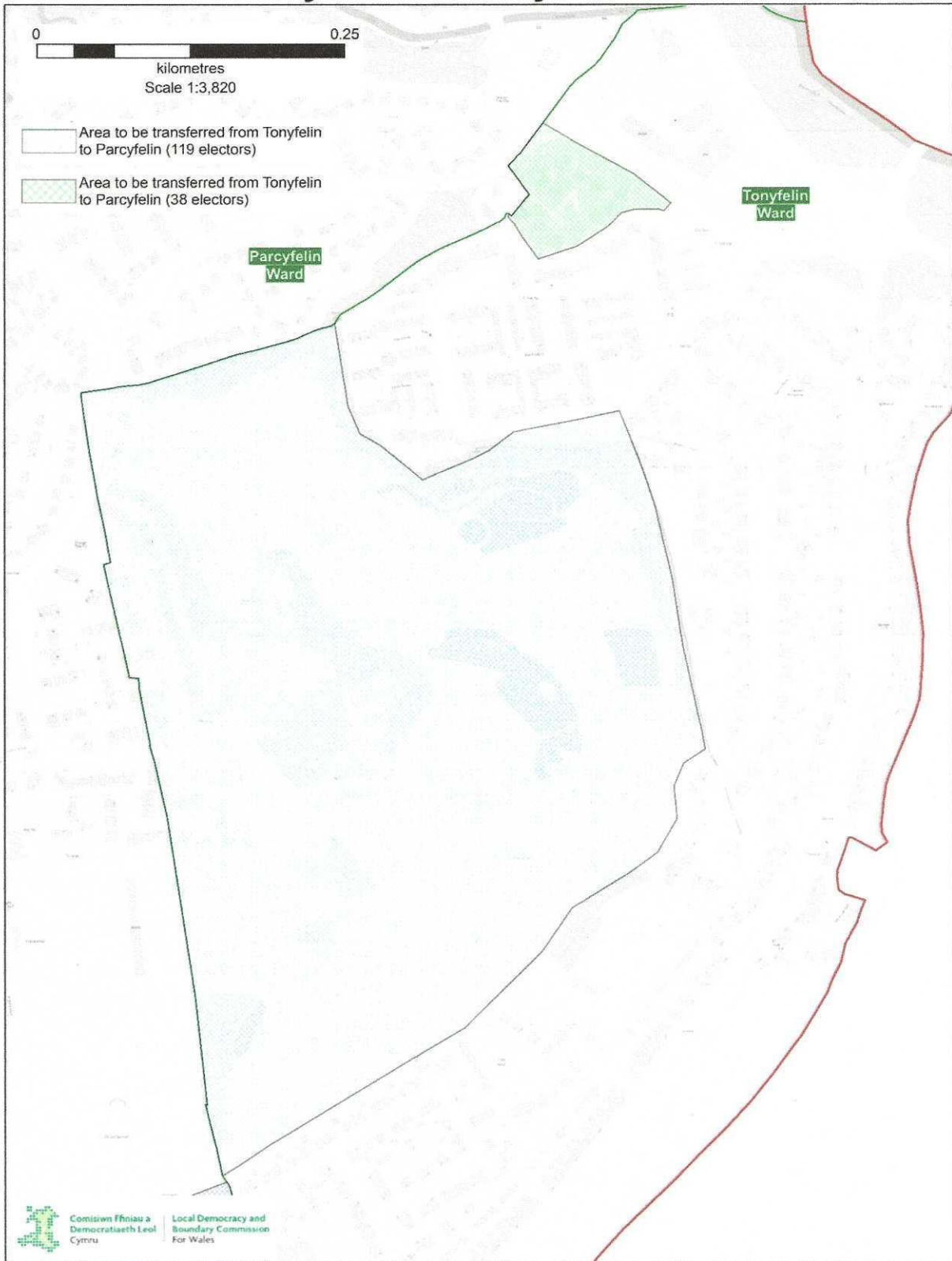
Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements								
Existing					Proposed			
Wards	Electors	Councillors	Electors per Councillor	Variance	Electors	Councillors	Electors per councillor	Variance
Morgan Jones	5,603	3	1,868	-7%	5,603	3	1,868	-7%
St Martins	6,468	3	2,156	7%	6,468	3	2,156	7%
	12,071	6	2,012		12,071	6	2,012	

The Town of Caerphilly

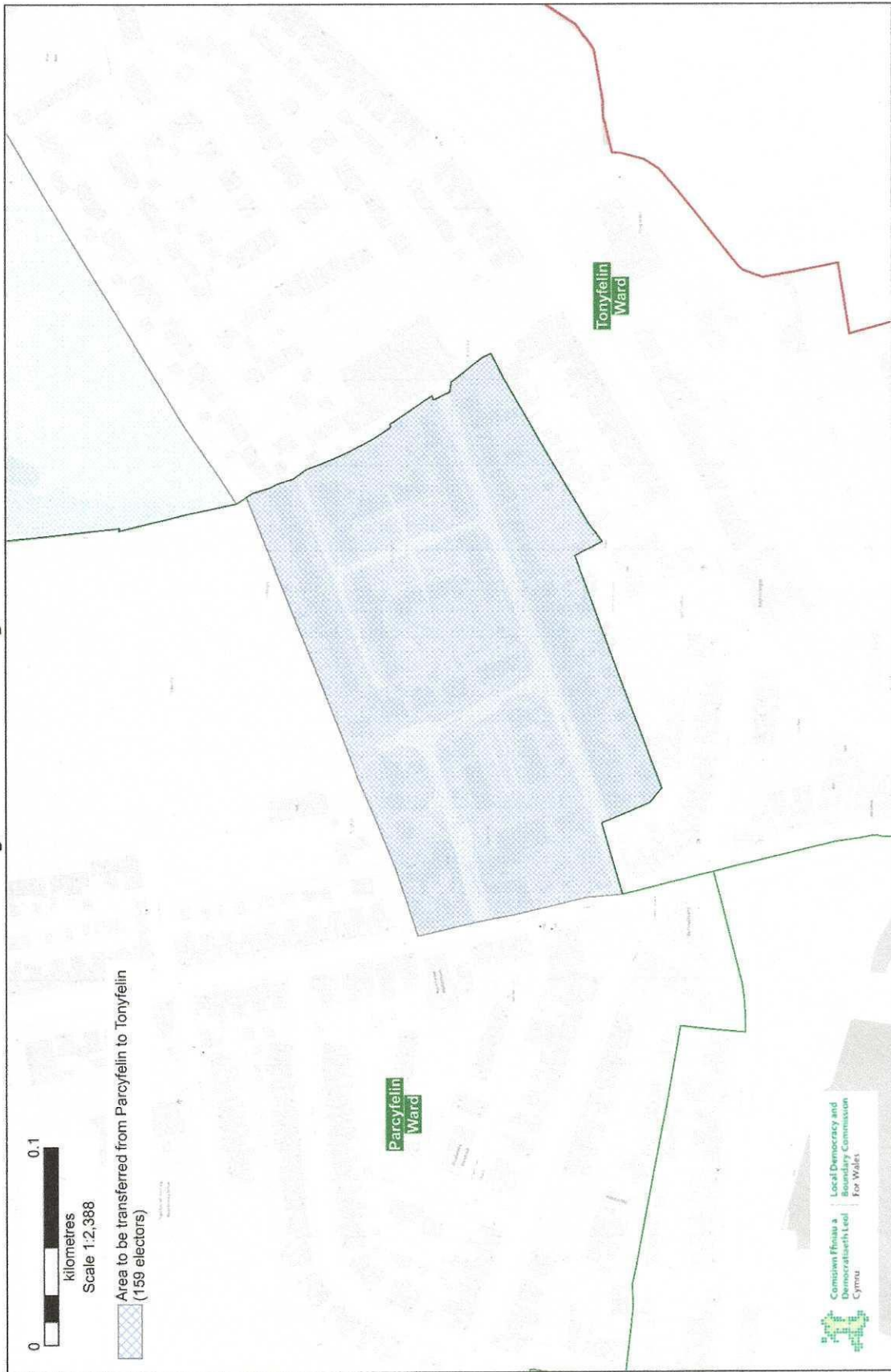


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Tonyfelin to Parcyfelin Area

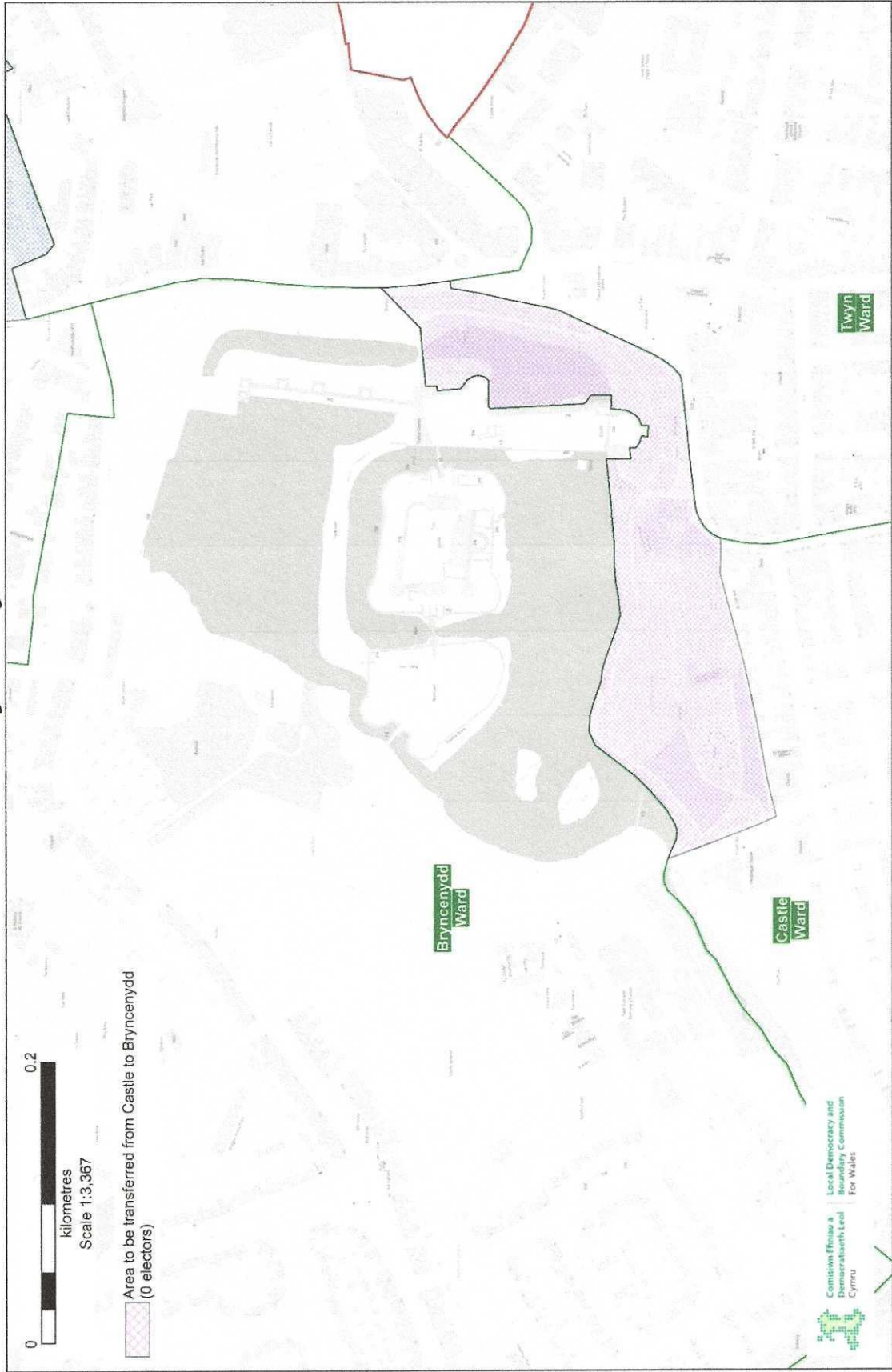


Parcyfelin to Tonyfelin Area



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Castle to Brycenydd Area



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