

Voters choose Stronger Somerset in local poll

The voters of Somerset have shown their support for Stronger Somerset – the plan for two councils, an Eastern Somerset and a Western Somerset council, to replace Somerset's existing five county and district councils.

The result of the local poll, which closed on Friday 4 June, was delivered today by Civica Electoral Services, who independently ran and verified the poll, and announced publicly by the District Council Leaders.

The results from Civica are attached for all districts alongside the overall result.

The Leaders of the four Somerset district councils have written to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to ask that he now takes the result into account in his decision-making.

The Secretary of State's decision is expected sometime before the Parliamentary recess on 22 July.

Thank you to everyone who voted in the poll.