



Types and names of local authorities in England and Wales 2010

There are five types of local authorities in England and Wales, these are:

County Councils: (CC)

District Councils: (DC) (can be called District, Borough or City Councils)

Metropolitan Districts: (M) (called Metropolitan Borough or City Councils)

Shire English and Welsh Unitaries: English Unitaries: (U) (can be called a council e.g. Medway Council, also in some cases a District, City or Borough Council e.g. Nottingham City, Reading Borough Council and in one case only Rutland which is called a County Council).

Welsh Unitaries: (W) (all authorities in Wales are unitaries they can be called County Borough Councils, County Councils, City & County or again just Council)

London Boroughs: (LB) (Including the Corporation of London. London also has the Greater London Authority (GLA))

The list of authorities over the page gives the full name of the authority with its type marked beside (**CC, DC, M, U, W or LB**)

Metropolitan, English Unitaries, Welsh Unitaries and London Boroughs provide all local authority services to the population in their area, social services, education, Environmental health,

housing etc. making them all purpose authorities or single tier councils.

In other areas (mostly rural) the system is split between the County Council and the District Councils with the county providing some services (education, social services, trading standards etc) and the district councils carrying out other services (housing, environmental health etc.). Counties provide around eighty per cent of the services in these areas. More information on the services local authorities provide is available from the LGA.

Lord Mayors/Mayors/Chairmen in Local Authorities: All authorities have Chairmen or Mayors as leader's of authorities, in some larger urban areas they may have Lord Mayors. Where an authority is called a District Council it will have a Chairman and where the authority is a Borough or City council it will have a Mayor or Lord Mayor as the leader of the authority.

Directly Elected Mayor (DEM): Under the Local Government Act 2000 authorities can, after a referendum, opt for a DEM. The Mayor provides political leadership and has considerable power.

Towns in **bold** type are the principal cities of England and Wales. Column 2 lists which authorities have a Mayor, Lord Mayor, Chairman etc (Chairman **C**, Mayor **M**, Lord Mayor **LM**, Directly Elected Mayor, **DEM**).

Authority full Name and Type	2
1. Adur District Council DC	C
2. Allerdale Borough Council DC	M
3. Amber Valley Borough Council DC	M
4. Arun District Council DC	C
5. Ashfield District Council DC	C
6. Ashford Borough Council DC	M
7. Aylesbury Vale District Council DC	C
8. Babergh District Council DC	C
9. Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
10. Barrow-in-Furness Borough Council DC	M
11. Basildon District Council DC	C
12. Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council DC	M
13. Bassetlaw District Council DC	C
14. Bath and North East Somerset Council U	M
15. Bedford Borough Council U	DEM
16. Birmingham City Council M	M
17. Blaby District Council DC	C
18. Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council U	M
19. Blackpool Borough Council U	M
20. Bolsover District Council DC	C
21. Bolton Metropolitan Borough Council MDC M	M
22. Boston Borough Council DC	M
23. Bournemouth Borough Council U	M
24. Bracknell Forest Borough Council U	M
25. City of Bradford M	M
26. Braintree District Council DC	C
27. Breckland District Council DC	C
28. Brentwood Borough Council DC	M
29. Brighton & Hove City Council U	M
30. Bristol City Council U	M
31. Broadland District Council DC	C
32. Bromsgrove District Council DC	C
33. Broxbourne Borough Council DC	M
34. Broxtowe Borough Council DC	M
35. Buckinghamshire County Council CC	C
36. Burnley Borough Council DC	M
37. Bury Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
38. Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
39. Cambridge City Council DC	M
40. Cambridgeshire County Council CC	C
41. Cannock Chase District Council DC	C
42. Canterbury City Council DC	M
43. Carlisle City Council DC	M
44. Castle Point Borough Council DC	M
45. Central Bedfordshire Council U	C
46. Charnwood Borough Council DC	M
47. Chelmsford Borough Council DC	M
48. Cheltenham Borough Council DC	M
49. Cherwell District Council DC	C
50. Cheshire East Council U	C
51. Cheshire West and Chester Council U	M

52. Chesterfield Borough Council DC	M
53. Chichester District Council DC	C
54. Chiltern District Council DC	C
55. Chorley Borough Council DC	M
56. Christchurch Borough Council DC	M
57. Colchester Borough Council DC	M
58. Copeland Borough Council DC	M
59. Corby Borough Council DC	M
60. Cornwall Council U	C
61. Cotswold District Council DC	C
62. Coventry City Council M	M
63. Craven District Council DC	C
64. Crawley Borough Council DC	M
65. Cumbria County Council CC	C
66. Dacorum Borough Council DC	M
67. Darlington Borough Council U	M
68. Dartford Borough Council DC	M
69. Daventry District Council DC	C
70. Derby City Council U	M
71. Derbyshire County Council CC	C
72. Derbyshire Dales District Council DC	C
73. Devon County Council CC	C
74. Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council M	DEM
75. Dorset County Council CC	C
76. Dover District Council DC	C
77. Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
78. County Durham Council U	C
79. East Cambridgeshire District Council DC	C
80. East Devon District Council DC	C
81. East Dorset District Council DC	C
82. East Hampshire District Council DC	C
83. East Hertfordshire District Council DC	C
84. East Lindsey District Council DC	C
85. East Northamptonshire District Council DC	C
86. East Riding of Yorkshire Council U	C
87. East Staffordshire Borough Council DC	M
88. East Sussex County Council CC	C
89. Eastbourne Borough Council DC	M
90. Eastleigh Borough Council DC	M
91. Eden District Council DC	C
92. Elmbridge Borough Council DC	M
93. Epping Forest District Council DC	C
94. Epsom and Ewell Borough Council DC	M
95. Erewash Borough Council DC	M
96. Essex County Council CC	C
97. Exeter City Council DC	M
98. Fareham Borough Council DC	M
99. Fenland District Council DC	C
100. Forest Heath District Council DC	C
101. Forest of Dean District Council DC	C
102. Fylde Borough Council DC	M
103. Gateshead Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
104. Gedling Borough Council DC	M

105. Gloucester City Council DC	M
106. Gloucestershire County Council CC	C
107. Gosport Borough Council DC	M
108. Gravesham Borough Council DC	M
109. Great Yarmouth Borough Council DC	C
110. Guildford Borough Council DC	M
111. Halton Borough Council U	M
112. Hambleton District Council DC	C
113. Hampshire County Council CC	C
114. Harborough District Council DC	C
115. Harlow District Council DC	C
116. Harrogate Borough Council DC	M
117. Hart District Council DC	C
118. Hartlepool Borough Council U	DEM
119. Hastings Borough Council DC	M
120. Havant Borough Council DC	M
121. Herefordshire Council U	C
122. Worcestershire County Council CC	C
123. Hertfordshire County Council CC	C
124. Hertsmer Borough Council DC	M
125. High Peak Borough Council DC	M
126. Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council DC	M
127. Horsham District Council DC	C
128. Huntingdonshire District Council DC	C
129. Hyndburn Borough Council DC	M
130. Ipswich Borough Council DC	M
131. Isle of Wight Council U	C
132. Kent County Council CC	C
133. Kettering Borough Council DC	M
134. Kings Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council DC	M
135. Kingston Upon Hull City Council U	M
136. Kirklees Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
137. Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
138. Lancashire County Council CC	C
139. Lancaster City Council DC	M
140. Leeds City Council M	M
141. Leicester City Council U	M
142. Leicestershire County Council CC	C
143. Lewes District Council DC	C
144. Lichfield District Council DC	C
145. Lincoln City Council DC	M
146. Lincolnshire County Council CC	C
147. Liverpool City Council M	M
148. Luton Borough Council U	M
149. Maidstone Borough Council DC	M
150. Maldon District Council DC	C
151. Malvern Hills DC	C
152. Manchester City Council M	M
153. Mansfield District Council DC	DEM
154. Melton Borough Council DC	M
155. Mendip District Council DC	C
156. Mid Devon District Council DC	C

157. Mid Suffolk District Council DC	C
158. Mid Sussex District Council DC	C
159. Middlesbrough Borough Council U	DEM
160. Milton Keynes U	C
161. Mole Valley District Council DC	C
162. New Forest District Council DC	C
163. Newark and Sherwood District Council DC	C
164. West Berkshire Council U	C
165. Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council DC	M
166. Newcastle-upon-Tyne City Council M	M
167. Norfolk County Council CC	C
168. North Devon District Council DC	C
169. North Dorset District Council DC	C
170. North East Derbyshire District Council DC	C
171. North East Lincolnshire Council U	M
172. North Hertfordshire District Council DC	C
173. North Kesteven District Council DC	C
174. North Lincolnshire Council U	C
175. North Norfolk District Council DC	C
176. North Somerset Council U	C
177. North Tyneside Metropolitan Borough Council M	DEM
178. North Warwickshire Borough Council DC	M
179. North West Leicestershire District Council DC	C
180. North Yorkshire County Council CC	C
181. Northampton Borough Council DC	M
182. Northamptonshire County Council CC	C
183. Northumberland Council U	C
184. Norwich City Council DC	M
185. Nottingham City Council U	M
186. Nottinghamshire County Council CC	C
187. Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council DC	M
188. Oadby and Wigston Borough Council DC	M
189. Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
190. Oxford City Council DC	M
191. Oxfordshire County Council CC	C
192. Pendle Borough Council DC	M
193. Peterborough City Council U	M
194. Plymouth City Council U	M
195. Borough of Poole U	C
196. Portsmouth City Council U	M
197. Preston City Council DC	M
198. Purbeck District Council DC	C
199. Reading Borough Council U	M
200. Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council U	C
201. Redditch Borough Council DC	M
202. Reigate and Banstead Borough Council DC	M
203. Ribble Valley Borough Council DC	M
204. Richmondshire District Council DC	C
205. Rochdale Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
206. Medway Council U	M
207. Rochford District Council DC	C

208. Rossendale Borough Council DC	M
209. Rother District Council DC	C
210. Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
211. Rugby Borough Council DC	M
212. Runnymede Borough Council DC	M
213. Rushcliffe Borough Council DC	M
214. Rushmoor Borough Council DC	M
215. Rutland County Council U	C
216. Ryedale District Council DC	C
217. Salford City Council M	M
218. Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
219. Scarborough Borough Council DC	M
220. Sedgemoor District Council DC	C
221. Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
222. Selby District Council DC	C
223. Sevenoaks District Council DC	C
224. Sheffield City Council M	M
225. Shepway District Council DC	C
226. Shropshire Council U	C
227. Slough Borough Council U	M
228. Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
229. Somerset County Council CC	C
230. South Buckinghamshire District Council DC	C
231. South Cambridgeshire District Council DC	C
232. South Derbyshire District Council DC	C
233. South Gloucestershire Council U	C
234. South Hams District Council DC	C
235. South Holland District Council DC	C
236. South Kesteven District Council DC	C
237. South Lakeland District Council DC	C
238. South Norfolk District Council DC	C
239. South Northamptonshire Council DC	C
240. South Oxfordshire District Council DC	C
241. South Ribble Borough Council DC	M
242. South Somerset District Council DC	C
243. South Staffordshire Council DC	C
244. South Tyneside Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
245. Southampton City Council U	M
246. Southend-on-Sea Borough Council U	M
247. Spelthorne Borough Council DC	M
248. St Albans City Council DC	M
249. St Edmundsbury Borough Council DC	M
250. St Helens Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
251. Stafford Borough Council DC	M
252. Staffordshire County Council CC	C
253. Staffordshire Moorlands District Council DC	C
254. Stevenage Borough Council DC	M
255. Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
256. Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council U	M
257. Stoke-on-Trent City Council U	M
258. Stratford-on-Avon District Council DC	C

259. Stroud District Council DC	C
260. Suffolk County Council CC	C
261. Suffolk Coastal District Council DC	C
262. Sunderland City Council M	M
263. Surrey County Council CC	C
264. Surrey Heath Borough Council DC	M
265. Swale Borough Council DC	M
266. Swindon Borough Council U	M
267. Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
268. Tamworth Borough Council DC	M
269. Tandridge District Council DC	C
270. Taunton Deane Borough Council DC	M
271. Teignbridge District Council DC	C
272. Tendring District Council DC	C
273. Test Valley Borough Council C	M
274. Tewkesbury Borough Council C	M
275. Thanet District Council C	C
276. Three Rivers District Council C	C
277. Thurrock Borough Council U	M
278. Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council C	M
279. Torbay Council U	DEM
280. Torridge District Council C	C
281. Trafford Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
282. Tunbridge Wells Borough Council C	M
283. Uttlesford District Council C	C
284. Vale of White Horse District Council C	C
285. Wakefield City Council M	M
286. Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
287. Warrington Borough Council U	M
288. Warwick District Council C	C
289. Warwickshire County Council C	C
290. Watford Borough Council C	DEM
291. Waveney District Council C	C
292. Waverley Borough Council C	C
293. Wealden District Council C	C
294. Wellingborough Borough Council C	M
295. Welwyn Hatfield District Council C	M
296. West Devon Borough Council C	M
297. West Dorset District Council C	C
298. West Lancashire District Council C	C
299. West Lindsey District Council C	C
300. West Oxfordshire District Council C	C
301. West Somerset District Council C	C
302. West Sussex County Council C	C
303. Weymouth and Portland Borough Council C	C
304. Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
305. Wiltshire Council U	C
306. Winchester City Council C	M
307. Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead U	M
308. Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council M	M
309. Woking Borough Council C	M
310. Wokingham District Council U	M

311. Wolverhampton City Council M	M
312. Worcester City Council C	C
313. Worthing Borough Council C	M
314. Telford and Wrekin Council U	C
315. Wychavon District Council C	C
316. Wycombe District Council C	C
317. Wyre Borough Council C	M
318. Wyre Forest District Council C	C
319. City of York Council U	C
320. Isles of Scilly U	C
London	
321. London Borough of Barking and Dagenham LB	M
322. London Borough of Barnet LB	C
323. London Borough of Bexley Council LB	M
324. London Borough of Brent LB	C
325. London Borough of Bromley LB	M
326. London Borough of Camden LB	M
327. London Borough of Croydon LB	M
328. London Borough of Ealing LB	M
329. London Borough of Enfield LB	M
330. London Borough of Greenwich LB	M
331. London Borough of Hackney LB	DEM
332. London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham LB	M
333. London Borough of Haringey LB	M
334. London Borough of Harrow LB	M
335. London Borough of Havering LB	M
336. London Borough of Hillingdon LB	C
337. London Borough of Hounslow LB	M
338. London Borough of Islington LB	M
339. Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea LB	M
340. Royal Borough of Kingston Upon Thames LB	M
341. London Borough of Lambeth LB	M
342. London Borough of Lewisham LB	DEM
343. Corporation of London LB	LM
344. London Borough of Merton LB	M
345. London Borough of Newham LB	DEM
346. London Borough of Redbridge LB	M
347. London Borough of Richmond Upon Thames LB	M
348. London Borough of Southwark LB	M
349. London Borough of Sutton LB	C
350. London Borough of Tower Hamlets LB	M
351. London Borough of Waltham Forest LB	M
352. London Borough of Wandsworth LB	M
353. Westminster City Council LB	LM
Wales	
354. Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council W	M
355. Bridgend County Borough Council W	M
356. Caerphilly County Borough Council W	M
357. City and County of Cardiff W	LM
358. Carmarthenshire County Council W	C

359. Ceredigion County Council W	C
360. Conwy County Borough Council W	C
361. Denbighshire County Council W	C
362. Flintshire County Council W	C
363. Gwynedd Council W	C
364. Isle of Anglesey County Council W	C
365. Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council W	M
366. Monmouthshire County Council W	C
367. Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council W	M
368. Newport City Council W	M
369. Pembrokeshire County Council W	C
370. Powys County Council W	C
371. Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council W	M
372. City and County of Swansea Council W	LM
373. Torfaen County Borough W	M
374. Vale of Glamorgan Council W	M
375. Wrexham County Borough Council W	M

It should be noted that there are also around 10,000 **Parish/Town Councils** (England) and **Community Councils** (Wales). A few of these have the ceremonial title of City. They are:

England

Chichester, Ely, Hereford, Lichfield, Ripon, Truro and Wells. Two other Cities in England have Charter Trustees: *Bath and Salisbury (New Sarum)*. Charter Trustees were created upon local government reorganisation in 1972. Their role is to safeguard the historic and ceremonial attributes of former boroughs.

Wales

Bangor and St David's (Community Councils)

Further information on Parish/Town and Community Councils can be found at: www.nalc.gov.uk The National Association of Local Councils.

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