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Smith MP, Labour's Shadow Minister for Voter Engagement and Youth Affairs, commenting on

reports in the Times that the Tories are to drop plans to reduce the number of

seats in the Commons, said:

"Despite insisting that nothing

has changed, it appears Theresa May has been forced to drop yet another manifesto commitment because she is too weak to command the support of her backbenchers.

"This proposal was always designed for the Tories' own political advantage rather than what is in the best interests of the country.

"Labour stands ready to work with other parties to ensure that a boundary review can go ahead in a way that benefits our democracy, not just the Conservative Party."