



Standards and General Purposes Committee agenda

Date: Thursday 18 January 2024

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: The Oculus, Buckinghamshire Council, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury HP19 8FF

Membership:

D Goss (Chairman), B Chapple OBE (Vice-Chairman), M Baldwin, P Brazier, R Carington, J Chhokar, P Gomm, T Green, S Lambert, H Mordue, C Oliver, L Smith BEM, M Smith and D Thompson

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Standards and General Purposes Committee minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Standards and General Purposes Committee held on Thursday 19 October 2023 in Jubilee Room - The Gateway, commencing at 2.00 pm and concluding at 2.30 pm.

Members present

D Goss, B Chapple OBE, M Baldwin, P Brazier, R Carington, J Chhokar, P Gomm, T Green, H Mordue, M Smith and D Thompson

Others in attendance

Nick Graham, Glenn Watson, Clare Gray

Apologies

S Lambert, C Oliver and L Smith BEM

Agenda Item

1 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors S Lambert, C Oliver and L Smith BEM.

2 Minutes **RESOLVED –**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 24 August 2023 be agreed as a correct record.

3 Declarations of Interest

Councillor D Goss declared a personal interest as an employee of the Conservative party and that stated that he also undertook voluntary roles locally within the Conservative party.

Councillor J Chhokar declared a personal interest in agenda item number 5 as a Gerrards Cross Town Councillor.

4 Report on changes to the Constitution

Under s9P Local Government Act 2000 the Council was required to prepare and keep up to date a Constitution containing the standing orders of the Council and such other information as was required or was desirable. There was a rolling review

of the Constitution to ensure that it remained relevant and appropriate to ensure the Council's operation as a new authority was properly supported and governed by the Constitution. This would be supplemented by a more in-depth consideration by members of the changes to the Constitution that would be required as a result of the recent Electoral Review.

The Committee received a report and was informed that the changes approved by Council to the Constitution in April 2022 had been agreed except for:

Strengthening provisions in the Constitution to requiring officers to share information with local Members about issues impacting their areas.

Providing for draft recommendations of planning officers on planning applications to be shared with local Members. In addition, the Terms of Reference for the Community Boards had been drafted and were waiting for comments on minor points. Further work on these areas and the appropriate textual amendments were being undertaken by the Working Group.

The Monitoring Officer also had delegated powers to update the Constitution to reflect changes in legislation or legal requirements and to make minor amendments such as clarifications or corrections. Recent changes made or to be made by the Monitoring Officer were:

- Update of the Members Allowance Scheme in line with inflation.
- Update to take account of replacement of Public Health England by UK Health Security Agency and Office for Health Improvement and Disparities.
- Update to take account of change of name of Integrated Care Partnership to Integrated Care Board.
- Update to the Contract Procedure Rules (after comment by the Members Working Group).

The Members Working Group had discussed further proposals for recommendations relating to planning and nomination of chairman of committees by Officers. The Group would also consider whether recommendations were needed in relation to petitions. It was also intended to put forward changes to the Licensing Sub-Committee procedure rules for recommendation together with any other potential changes or issues that were raised.

Members had originally required that all constitutional changes were made together in order to limit the need to reprint hard copies after individual updates. Given the number of changes now finalised and waiting to be made the Constitution would be updated and re-published to include the changed detailed.

RESOLVED –

That the report on changes to the Constitution be NOTED.

5 Member Code of Conduct Complaints – Quarter 2 Review

The Committee received a report which gave an overview of the Member Code of Conduct complaints that were opened and/or closed during Quarter 2 (July to

September) this year. Of the 17 complaints considered in Quarter 2, no breach of the Code had been found thus far.

With regard to Parish and Town Councils six complaints were received between July and September. A seventh complaint would be the subject of a Hearing Sub-Committee meeting of this Committee at Stage 3. This would be convened shortly in accordance with the protocol agreed at the last meeting. Three complaints were closed within this period, none resulting in a breach. In all three, the matters complained of were more to do with the relevant council's governance than the conduct of the individual. In a departure from recent trends, none of the parish/town council complaints received in Quarter 2 related to 'disrespect' and were more concerned with governance or other technical points.

Ten Buckinghamshire Council complaints were received and closed between July and September 2023. No breaches were found. As with parish/town complaints, there was a shift away from complaints about 'respect' to more technical or governance matters – hospitality provisions, data protection, non-response to emails. Perceived delay or nonresponse to emails by councillors was not in itself a Code of Conduct issue; unlike officers, councillors were not subject to particular rules on the timeframes or prioritisation of their correspondence.

On 7 September 2023, the Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Association of Parish and Town Councils held its annual training event on Civility and Respect. The Principal Governance Officer gave a presentation on Buckinghamshire Council's experience of handling parish/town council complaints over the past year.

It was reported at the last meeting that a Hughenden Parish Councillor, found to have breached the Code earlier this year, had not as yet discharged all of the sanctions imposed by the Parish Council. The sanctions had been recommended by this Council. At an Extraordinary Meeting of Hughenden Parish Council held on 26 September, the Council resolved to make a Code of Conduct complaint to the Monitoring Officer on the basis of apparent non-compliance with sanctions, alleging a breach of the Hughenden Parish Council's Member Code of Conduct. The complaint had been received and was being considered by the Monitoring Officer.

A question was asked, which had been raised before, in how Buckinghamshire compared to similar unitary councils. The Principal Governance Officer replied that an officer was currently undertaking some research on this and once completed would be circulated to the Committee. Not all Unitary Councils publish details of their complaints. In relation to this another Member commented that many Councils were different in terms of size etc and therefore it was important to look at performance year on year. The important issue was continuous improvement and to reduce the number of complaints. She commented it would be helpful to have yearly comparisons on the volume and type of complaint which could then be broken down into unitary/parish/town council complaints. The Principal Governance Officer reported that he would provide this information as part of the annual review of code complaints. The Service Director also commented that the outcome was the

important part to focus on rather than the number of complaints as some of these could be vexatious or localised to a particular issue which was contentious.

Clarification was sought on the register of gifts and hospitality and whether not declaring them was a breach of the code of conduct. The Principal Governance Officer reported that the obligation was on Members to register gifts and hospitality £50 or over within a specified time period. If a Member failed to do this it would be questionable under the Code of Conduct and a complaint could be pursued. If the value was less than £50 and it could be perceived that the offer was made as an inducement, it would be good practice to register this as well. It was the offer of it that was important to register even if the gift or hospitality was declined. This was in relation to the councillor role rather than a personal one.

RESOLVED that the Member Code of Conduct Complaints opened and closed in Quarter 2 (July to September 2023, Annexes 1 and 2) and those currently open be noted.

6 Community Governance Review Update

The Service Director Legal and Democratic Services reported that the Community Governance Review Member Working Group was meeting following the meeting of the Standards and General Purposes Committee. He had given two briefings to the High Wycombe Community Board and the High Wycombe Town Committee, who were important stakeholders, outlining this Committee's decision made at the end of August 2023. A decision had been made not to take forward the original Review but commission a further Review. The Work Programme of the Working Group would look at options for the Community Governance Review, governance going forward, the timeline and plans for consultation.

The report was noted.

7 Work Programme

The Committee noted the Work Programme. The Service Director Legal and Democratic Services reported that he hoped a decision would be taken on the Community Governance Review at the meeting on 18 January 2024 so that the consultation process could proceed.

RESOLVED –

That the Work Programme submitted to the meeting be AGREED.

8 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Standards and General Purposes Committee would be held at 2pm on Thursday 18 January 2024.



Report to Standards and General Purposes Committee

Date: 18 January 2024

Title: **High Wycombe Community Governance Review**

Relevant councillor(s):

Author and/or contact officer: Nick Graham, Service Director, Legal and Democratic.
Contact officer Glenn Watson, Principal Governance Officer.

Ward(s) affected:

Recommendations:

- 1) To receive the recommendations of the Community Governance Working Group and approve:**
 - a. the draft Terms of Reference for the Review (annex 1)
 - b. the draft timescale for the Review (annex 2)
 - c. the draft consultation and communications plan for the Review (annex 3)
- 2) To ask the Director of Legal and Democratic Services formally to commence the Review by publishing the approved Terms of Reference and to begin the consultation accordingly.**

1. Reason for decision:

1.1 In August 2023, the Committee agreed to undertake a Community Governance Review of the unparished area of High Wycombe. In doing so, a cross-party Councillor Working Group of this Committee was established to make recommendations on the scope of the review, the timeframe for it and the engagement plan for consulting upon it. The Committee is asked to consider the recommendations on each of these points.

2. Background – community governance reviews

2.1 A community governance review concerns parish governance arrangements. Typically reviews can consider:

- a) Creating, merging, altering or abolishing parishes;
- b) The naming of parishes and the style of new parishes;
- c) The electoral arrangements for parish councils (the ordinary year of election; council size; the number of councillors to be elected to the council , and parish warding); and
- d) The grouping parishes under a common parish council or de-grouping parishes.

2.2 In this particular review, however, the consideration is whether the existing governance arrangements in the unparished area of High Wycombe are sufficient or whether the whole of the High Wycombe area should formally be parished and a town council created.

3. Key criteria for a Community Governance Review

3.1 In law, the outcome of a Community Governance Review must:

- a) reflect the identities and interests of the communities in that area; and
- b) be effective and convenient.

3.2 The Council must also consider:

- c) any other arrangements... that have already been made or that could be made for the purposes of community representation or community engagement in respect of the area under review.

3.3 These must be the guiding criteria for the Review and any valid outcome from it.

4. Recommendations of the Working Group

4.1 The cross-party Working Group met on four occasions to frame its recommendations: 26 September, 19 October, 9 November and 7 December 2023.

Terms of Reference

4.2 Terms of Reference are required for every Community Governance Review. These set out what the Review will consider and the statutory and other considerations that apply. The Working Group's recommended Terms of Reference are at **Annex 1**.

4.3 The **options** put forward by the Working Group deal squarely with the binary question of whether or not the unparished area of High Wycombe should be parished. It recommends that the two options for consultation should therefore be:

- a) whether the existing governance arrangements for the area of High Wycombe are sufficient or could be improved; OR
- b) whether the currently unparished area of High Wycombe should be parished and so have a town council for the whole area

4.4 Rationale: Option a) follows the statutory guidance that says consideration should be given, within a Review, as to whether the current arrangements are sufficient or could be improved without the need for any formal change in governance structures. Current arrangements include the High Wycombe Town Committee of Buckinghamshire Council, the Charter Trustees for High Wycombe and this Council's High Wycombe Community Board plus the network of community groups and associations.

4.5 Rationale: Option b) deals with the fact that High Wycombe is the only unparished town within Buckinghamshire. It asks whether formally parishing the area would meet local identity. Creating a parish would, in law, necessarily mean establishing a town council and Option b) seeks views on whether this would be effective or desirable.

4.6 The Terms of Reference follow best practice guidance in terms of format. They provide the background to the Review, the key criteria and the timeline for it. They set out what the Review is about and how it will be conducted.

Timeline

4.7 **Annex 2** sets out the recommended timeline for the Review. This again follows best practice, including two consultations – one beginning in February 2024 on the Terms of Reference; and a second beginning in July 2024 on the Draft Recommendations arising from a consideration of the initial consultation responses.

4.8 The Council is conducting the Review under its discretionary power. As such it is not bound to a particular timeframe. However, best practice is that a Review should be concluded over a 12-month period beginning with the publication of the Terms of Reference and ending with the publication of Final Recommendations. The recommendation is that Review should be concluded within 12 months. **Annex 2** sets out the various stages including the periods of public consultation. (Flexibility may be needed if a General Election occurs during 2024 which might affect the timing of the second consultation).

Consultation and engagement

4.9 **Annex 3** sets out the proposed Consultation and Communications Plan for seeking local and stakeholder views on the options in the Terms of Reference. A copy of the proposed survey is included. The Council must consult local electors in the unparished area together with any stakeholders the Council considers appropriate.

4.10 The Consultation and Communications Plan builds on this and proposes a sustainable, inclusive and comprehensive consultation plan proposing a range methods based on previous engagement in this area and the nature of the communities. Other formats and languages would be available on request. The methods would include:

- A household postal survey with free return and information booklet
- Online survey

- Email or written response
- Multi-channel awareness raising including leaflets, roller banners, outdoor adverts and radio advertisements on several channels; plus social media.

5. Next steps

5.1 If the Committee approves the Terms of Reference, Timeline and Consultation Plan, the next steps would be:

- a) The publication of the Terms of Reference – shortly after this meeting
- b) The commencement of the first period of consultation (on the options in the Terms of Reference) – from Monday 12 February to Sunday 7 April inclusive.

5.2 Following the consultation the cross-party Working Group would review the responses and frame some Draft Recommendations and a second Consultation Plan for this Committee. It would be for the Committee to approve any Draft Recommendations and second Consultation Plan. On the conclusion of the second consultation, the Working Group would similarly recommend Final Recommendations as appropriate for approval by the Committee.

6. Legal and financial implications

6.1 Section 82 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 authorises a principal council to commission a community governance review. The Act requires a Council to publish Terms of Reference for a review and to consult local electors within the area of the proposals and any other stakeholders the Council deems appropriate. This recommendations in this report fulfil these requirements.

6.2 The immediate financial implications of this report would be the cost of undertaking the initial consultation. If the recommended Consultation and Communication Plan is adopted, the cost would be approximately £35,000. This would not be attributed to the special expenses for High Wycombe.

6.3 In the event that a parish/town council was ultimately created as a result of this process, there would be significant financial implications. An analysis of the likely costs, benchmarked against other recent examples locally and nationally, has been undertaken. These would be set out more fully, as appropriate, in any Draft Recommendations following the first consultation and would not directly occur as a result of the recommendations in this report.

6.4 The proposed consultation accords with the Gunning principles for good consultation practice. It has been constructed with an appreciation of the demography of the High Wycombe area. It maximises inclusivity through the proposed use of several

communication channels, not simply online, and with the offer to translate key documents into other languages.

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Community Governance Review (CGR) – High Wycombe Area

Terms of Reference

Purpose of the Review:

1. Buckinghamshire Council has resolved to undertake a Community Governance Review of the currently unparished area of High Wycombe.
2. The purpose of the review is to consider:
 - A) whether the existing governance arrangements for the area of High Wycombe are sufficient or could be improved; OR
 - B) whether the currently unparished area of High Wycombe should be parished and so have a town council for the whole area.
3. These Terms of Reference are published by Buckinghamshire Council as required under Section 82 of the Local government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

Reason for the review

4. Buckinghamshire Council was created three years ago in 2020 since which time significant governance changes have occurred. The most recent of these was the electoral review of Buckinghamshire Council. With these matters settled, the time is right to give further consideration to the important subject of the future governance of the High Wycombe area, which is currently unparished. This is done by undertaking a 'Community Governance Review' (CGR).
5. Buckinghamshire Council recognises the important role that parish and town councils play in community empowerment at a local level, and the Council is keen to ensure that local governance continues to be robust, representative and is able to meet the challenges ahead.
6. It is important to make the right decision that reflects the circumstances of High Wycombe today. A Community Governance Review was carried out in 2019 by the former Wycombe District Council but this was suspended due to the abolition of that council and the establishment of Buckinghamshire Council as the new unitary authority. The review carried out in 2019 gave a valuable insight but much has changed since that time. This matters because the statutory criteria for governance reviews require that any outcome must demonstrably
 - a) reflect the identity and interests of the communities concerned
 - b) provide a sound basis for effective and convenient local government
 - c) involve an assessment any other arrangements that have been made, or could be made, for the purposes of representing or engaging the community.
7. It is not possible to say with confidence that the previous review could demonstrate compliance with the statutory criteria. Circumstances have changed considerably since 2019 and these changes require fresh consideration of local views and evidence to be sure that the criteria can be met. The circumstances include:
 - a) The considerable lapse of time since the original CGR and consultation;
 - b) The relatively small response to the original consultation

- c) The fact that the original petitions considered in 2019 were based largely on the Wycombe District Council wards pertaining at the time, since abolished, rather than Buckinghamshire Council's wards as the successor authority;
- d) There has been an electoral review undertaken by the Local Government Boundary Commission which has resulted in new ward boundaries for Buckinghamshire Council (as from the May 2025 elections, and change in councillor numbers (98 instead of the current 147);
- e) The High Wycombe Town Committee continues and is responsible for the services traditionally associated with a Town Council. The Town Committee consists of all elected members for the High Wycombe area. It recommends to Cabinet an amount of Special Expenses to run these services to be added to the Council tax precept for the High Wycombe area;
- f) Buckinghamshire Council has established a Community Board for High Wycombe (as with 15 other areas of the County) which provides local governance for community engagement, place shaping, and leading numerous locality-based activities;
- g) there will have been changes to the population since 2019.

8. All of these factors mean that a new Community Governance Review is necessary.

What is a Community Governance Review?

9. In law, a CGR is a review of the whole or part of an area to consider one or more of the following.

- 1. Creating, merging, altering or abolishing parishes;
- 2. The naming of parishes and the style of new parishes;
- 3. The electoral arrangements for parish councils (the ordinary year of election; council size; the number of councillors to be elected to the council , and parish warding); and
- 4. Grouping parishes under a common parish council or de-grouping parishes.

10. In this Review, the principle consideration is whether the existing governance arrangements are sufficient or whether the whole of the High Wycombe area should formally be parished which would mean, under the legislation, the creation of a town council.

Legal provisions

11. In undertaking the CGR, the Council will be guided by:

- part 4 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007
- the relevant parts of the Local Government Act 1972
- Statutory Guidance on Community Governance Reviews issued in accordance with section 100(4) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 by the Department of Communities and Local Government and the Local Government Boundary Commission for England in March 2010, and
- the following regulations which guide, in particular, consequential matters arising from the CGR: Local Government (Parished and Parish Councils) (England) Regulations 2008 (SI2008/625); and the Local Government Finance (New Parishes) Regulations 2008 (SI2008/626).

Criteria for carrying out the Review

12. In law, the Council must secure that future community governance in the area under review:

- a) reflects the identities and interests of the communities in that area; and
- b) is effective and convenient.

And the Council must also consider

- c) any other arrangements... that have already been made or that could be made for the purposes of community representation or community engagement in respect of the area under review

13. These are the guiding criteria for the Review.

Who undertakes the CGR

14. As the unitary authority, Buckinghamshire Council is responsible in law for carrying out the review. This includes determining the Terms of Reference for a review, for consulting on any options under the Terms, and for preparing recommendations for resolving the review.

How the Council intends to conduct the Review

15. Buckinghamshire Council's Standards & General Purposes Committee has the delegated authority to oversee and determine Community Governance Reviews. On 24 August 2023, the Committee established a Community Governance Working Group. The role of the Working Group is to:

- recommend Terms of Reference for the Review;
- recommend a consultation plan and timeframe for the Review;
- review responses and recommend draft outcomes including, as appropriate, the creation of a new parish and council, the warding pattern, council size (number of councillors), electoral arrangements and the name of any proposed new parish(es);
- review any subsequent consultation responses on the draft outcomes and make final recommendations.

16. The Committee makes decisions on the recommendations received. Full Council itself would make any Order bringing a new arrangement into effect.

Stages:

17. The proposed timeframe is as follows. This is indicative and the may be subject to change depending on certain factors such as the outcome of the consultations or the occurrence of a General Election (during which active consultations are normally suspended).

Action	Timetable
Publication of Terms of Reference	February 2024
First Consultation – Submissions are invited	12 February - 7 April 2024
Draft proposals recommended to Committee for decision	July 2024

Draft proposals are published	July 2024
Second consultation - on Draft Proposals	July – October 2024
Final proposals are recommended to the Committee for decision	December 2024
Council publishes the Final Recommendations and the Review ends	December 2024
<i>The following only applies in the event that a town council option is pursued</i>	
Reorganisation Order made	December 2024
Any new town council to come into being - if necessary with transition member arrangements in place	At the date specified in the Final Recommendations and Order
Elections to new town council	At the date specified in the Final Recommendations and Order

Consultation

18. In carrying out the Review, the Council must consult:

- the local government electors for the area under review; and
- any other person or body who appears to have an interest in the Review.

19. The Council will publicise and carry out the consultations transparently. All representations received will be taken into account.

20. The Council will follow established best practice and engage with a cross-section of interests including the public, the Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Association of Local Councils, neighbouring parish councils, current councillors for the areas affected and adjacent to it, and the relevant Member of Parliament.

21. Consultation will also include, but not be limited to local businesses, local residents' associations, local public and voluntary organisations such as schools or health bodies, Thames Valley Police, and the Charter Trustees of High Wycombe.

22. The Council will publish all decisions taken during the Review, together with the reasons for those decisions.

Governance in our area

Parishes and towns

23. Buckinghamshire Council's *Town and Parish Charter* recognizes the importance of parish and town communities and in working with them to:

- promote the best interests of the communities we serve
- provide quality, value for money public services and
- promote opportunities for greater public participation and involvement in public life.

24. The Council is committed to:

- recognising that parish and town councils are independent democratically elected bodies who work within their own financial constraints and represent communities at a truly local level.
- understanding that parish and town councils are a key connection between the unitary council and their community who can help improve services and foster greater community empowerment, especially through devolution and community boards.

Existing or alternative forms of governance

25. The Review is carried out, of course, against the backdrop of existing governance in the area. The Guidance says:

“In conducting a community governance review, principal councils must consider other forms of community governance as alternatives or stages towards establishing parish councils. Section 93(5) of the 2007 Act states that ‘In deciding what recommendations to make [in the community governance review] the principal council must take into account any other arrangements... that have already been made or that could be made for the purposes of community representation or community engagement in respect of the area under review.’”

(Statutory Guidance, paragraph 136, page 38).

26. Examples of existing governance include:

- Buckinghamshire Council and its ward councillors
- Community Boards
- High Wycombe Town Committee and the Charter Trustees

27. The Council is required by law to consider other forms of community governance as alternatives or as stages towards establishing parish or town councils. There may be other arrangements for community representation/engagement in an area, including area committees, neighbourhood management programmes, tenant management organisations, area or community forums, residents’ and tenant associations or community associations. The Review has to consider whether these may be more appropriate than parishes and their councils or may provide stages towards the creation of a parish or town council.

28. Views on such arrangements and their effectiveness as a means of community representation and / or community engagement will be sought and considered as part of the introductory stage submissions.

29. However, the Council notes that parish governance introduces a democratically elected tier of local government with directly elected representatives, independent of other council tiers and budgets, and possessing specific powers for which they are democratically accountable.

Charter Trustees

30. There are Charter Trustee for the currently unparished High Wycombe area. The Statutory Guidance expects Councils to consider the following in a Charter Trustee area:

“Proposals to create a parish or parish council covering all or part of a charter trustee area need to be judged in particular against the following considerations:

- a) the effect on the historic cohesiveness of the area
- b) what are the other community interests in the area? Is there a demonstrable sense of community identity encompassing the charter trustee area? Are there smaller areas within it which have a demonstrable community identity and which would be viable as administrative units?”

Effectiveness, convenience and community interests/identity

31. Any community governance arising from a Review must:

- reflect the identities and interests of the community in that area;
 - that is, it must offer a sense of place and local identity for all residents
- be effective and convenient;
 - that is, the governance must have the ability to deliver quality services economically and efficiently and give users of those services a democratic voice in the decisions that affect them; services should be easy to reach and accessible to local people.
- take into account any other arrangements for the purposes of community representation or community engagement in the area.

Source: *Statutory Guidance on community governance reviews*, paragraphs 55-65, pages 19-21.

Alternative Styles

32. The 2007 Act introduced 'alternative styles' for parishes. If adopted, the 'alternative style' would replace the style "parish". However, only one of three prescribed styles can be adopted: "community", "neighbourhood" or "village". In addition, the style of "town" is still available to a parish. However, for as long as the parish has an 'alternative style', it will not also be able to have the status of a town and vice versa.

33. Where a new parish is being created, the Council will make recommendations as to the geographical name of the new parish and as to whether or not it would have one of the alternative styles.

34. A Council can establish a 'parish meeting' in appropriate cases instead of a parish council.

If Town Council Option Pursued - Naming of Parish and Town Wards

35. If the recommendations include establishing a parish or town council, the Council is required to recommend a name for any parish or town wards. The Council will endeavour to reflect existing local or historic place-names and will give strong presumption in favour of names proposed by local interested parties. Notwithstanding this, in the interest of effective and convenient local government and for the avoidance of voter confusion, the Council will look for different ward names to those used for principal council areas.

If Town Council Option Pursued - Electoral Arrangements

36. If establishing a town council is to be recommended, an important part of the Review will be determining the electoral arrangements for any new parish council. This means:

- The ordinary year in which elections are held;
- The number of councillors to be elected to the council (council size);
- The division (or not) of the parish into wards for the purposes of electing councillors;
- The number and boundaries of any wards;

- The number of councillors to be elected for any such Wards;
- The name of any such Wards.

37. The Council will use the Register of Electors of published in October 2023 in providing electorate figures.
38. The Council is required to consider any change in the number or distribution of the electors which is likely to occur. This includes any demographic trends and influences, such as new development, that may alter the population significantly in the period of five years beginning with the day when the CGR starts. Population projections from the Office for National Statistics will be used.
39. Electorate forecasts will be made available to all interested parties as early as possible in the review process alongside any consultation so that they are available to all who may wish to make representations.

If Town Council Option Pursued - Council size (number of councillors)

40. A parish or town council must have no fewer than five councillors. There are otherwise no rules to the number of councillors that a parish or town council must or can have. Research from Aston Business School recommended the following:

Electorate	Councillor Allocation
Less than 500	5-8
501-2,500	6-12
2,501-10,000	9-16
10,001-20,000	13-27
Greater than 20,000	13-31

41. However, the National Association of Local Councils recommends a practical maximum of 25 councillors.
42. The Council would have regard to consultation responses, evidence and best practice. The Statutory Guidance says:
- “Each area should be considered on its own merits, having regard to its population, geography and the pattern of communities, and therefore the Council is prepared to pay particular attention to existing levels of representation, the broad pattern of existing council sizes.” (paragraph 156, page 44).
43. The Council would also have regard to the important democratic principle that each person’s vote should be of equal weight so far as possible.

If Town Council Option Pursued - Conclusion of the Review and Making a Reorganisation Order

44. The Review will formally end on publication of the final recommendations. The process is completed when the Council adopts the Reorganisation Order.
45. Copies of this order, maps that showing the effects of the order in detail, and the documents which set out the reasons for the decision that the Council has taken, will be deposited at the Council’s offices and published on the Council’s website.

46. Reorganisation Order to be sealed once approval received and notification given to:

- The Secretary of State
- The Electoral Commission
- The Office of National Statistics
- The Director General of the Ordnance Survey
- Any other principal council whose area the order relates to.

If Town Council Option Pursued - Consequential Matters

47. The Reorganisation Order may cover other consequential matters that appear to the relevant council to be necessary or proper to give effect to the Order.

48. These should include, but are not limited to:

- the transfer and management or custody of property;
- the setting of precepts for new parishes;
- provision with respect to the transfer of any functions, property, rights and liabilities;
- provision for the transfer of staff, compensation for loss of office, pensions and other staffing matters.

49. The Order will take effect for financial, administrative and electoral purposes in the month(s) and year(s) designated in the Final Recommendations.

How to Submit Your Views

50. The Council's consultation publicity will specify the way in which you could make comments on the Review at all stages. A dedicated email address has also been created for queries: highwycombecgr@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Annex 2

High Wycombe Community Governance Review – proposed timeframe

Action	Timetable
Publication of Terms of Reference	February 2024
First Consultation – Submissions are invited	12 February – 7 April 2024
Draft proposals recommended to Committee for decision	July 2024
Draft proposals are published	July 2024
Second consultation - on Draft Proposals	July – October 2024
Final proposals are recommended to the Committee for decision	December 2024
Council publishes the Final Recommendations and the Review ends	December 2024
<i>The following only applies in the event that a town council option is pursued</i>	
Reorganisation Order made	December 2024
Any new town council to come into being - if necessary with transition member arrangements in place	At the date specified in the Final Recommendations and Order
Elections to new town council	At the date specified in the Final Recommendations and Order

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Community Governance Review (CGR) – High Wycombe Area Consultation and communications plan

1. Background

- 1.1 In carrying out a Community Governance Review, the Council must consult:
- the local government electors for the area under review; and
 - any other person or body who appears to have an interest in the Review.
- 1.2 The Committee is asked to consider the draft consultation and communications plan for the High Wycombe Community Governance Review.

2. Terms of Reference

- 2.1 The Council will publicise and carry out the consultation transparently. All representations received that meet the criteria for a valid response (i.e. received with a name and full address and not a duplicate response) will be taken into account.
- 2.2 The Council will follow established best practice and engage with a cross-section of interests including the public, the Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Association of Local Councils, neighbouring parish councils, current councillors for the areas affected and adjacent to it, and the relevant Member of Parliament.
- 2.3 Consultation will also include, but not be limited to local businesses, local residents' associations, local public and voluntary organisations such as schools or health bodies, Thames Valley Police, and the Charter Trustees of High Wycombe.
- 2.4 The Council will publish all decisions taken during the Review, together with the reasons for those decisions.

3. Consultation principles

- 3.1 Case law has resulted in a set of principles known as the Gunning Principles. They set out the legal expectations of robust and appropriate consultation.
- 3.2 When we consult, we must adhere to the Gunning Principles:
- consultation must take place when the proposal is still at a formative stage

- sufficient information to allow for intelligent consideration and response must be provided
- adequate time must be given for consideration and response
- the product of consultation must be conscientiously considered

4. Consultation approach

- 4.1 All households in the unparished area of High Wycombe (circa. 34,000 households) to receive the following through the door:
- information booklet
 - postal survey
 - free post return envelope
- 4.2 The aim of the booklet is to provide sufficient information, in a clear and easy to understand way, to allow for intelligent consideration and response (Gunning Principle 2).
- 4.3 Content to include:
- background information to the review
 - current governance arrangements in High Wycombe, including High Wycombe Town Committee, the Charter Trustees and Mayor, the Community Board
 - frequently asked questions on creating a town council
 - how to have your say (postal survey, online survey, email or letter)
 - how to request materials in another format or language
- 4.4 In order to submit a postal or online response, respondents will be required to provide their name and full address as mandatory. Responses without a name and address will not be accepted.
- 4.5 This is to ensure we consider the views of electors and residents directly affected by the proposals. It is a requirement of a CGR to consult local government electors in the area under review.
- 4.6 The respondent's name and address will be verified against the Electoral Register to check if the respondent is an elector. However, a respondent does not need to be registered to vote to take part.
- 4.7 The information will also be used as part of quality assurance checks to ensure multiple responses have not been received from the same individual, or submitted fraudulently (such as via a bot). Duplicate responses will not be accepted and will be marked as invalid.

- 4.8 If a respondent does not have a fixed abode, we are proposing that they can submit a response using the address of a local homelessness charity. Homelessness charities will be briefed and provided with the consultation materials.
- 4.9 Stakeholders not responding as an individual (e.g. organisations, community groups) can take part online, by email or by letter. They will be required to provide their organisation name and address.
- 4.10 A market research agency will receive the postal responses. They will input the hard copy responses into a digital format, including free text comments. The agency will tabulate the data and provide an Excel, PDF and raw data output. The agency will password protect all data files with respondent details. The council's Business Intelligence Team will complete the verification process and analyse the responses.
- 4.11 The analysis will highlight any differences in responses from those who have been verified as an elector living in the unparished area of High Wycombe compared to responses that meet the criteria (name and address provided, not a duplicate) but are not on the Electoral Register.

5. Legal considerations

Equalities

- 5.1 Demographic information (age, disability, ethnicity and sex) will be optional information respondents can provide. Demographic information will be separated from name and address for verification purposes. Postcode and demographic data (where provided) will be anonymised and used to understand if responses are demographically and geographically representative of communities in High Wycombe.
- 5.2 An Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA) has been completed regarding the plans and a number of mitigations have been identified and put in place to ensure the accessibility of the consultation process.

Data protection

- 5.3 The consultation responses will include personal data so the Council can ensure appropriate consultation has taken place and to monitor demographic engagement. All such data will be collected and processed in accordance with relevant data protection requirements and principles by both the Council and the market research agency and will not be used for any other purpose.
- 5.4 A Privacy Notice for the consultation will be published on the Council's website and signposted to in the consultation materials to ensure transparency.

6. Communications approach

- 6.1 All information provided to residents as part of the consultation will be factual.
- 6.2 We will run a multi-channel awareness campaign, using a mix of free, council-owned and paid-for channels, to increase the visibility of the campaign in the local area, in addition to reaching a bigger audience and have a greater chance of converting awareness to completion of the survey
- 6.3 The multi-channel campaign will include the following channels:
- social media – Buckinghamshire Council platforms and posts in local groups
 - print collateral – leaflets and posters at key locations
 - outdoor advertising and digital screens at High Heavens and High Wycombe bus station
 - hyper-targeted radio advertising with BAUER radio across a range of DAB stations
 - pop up activity with officers present at locations within the unparished area
- 6.4 Information will also be shared with all local media outlets that cover the unparished area of High Wycombe

7. Key stakeholders and community organisations

- 7.1 We will contact the following key stakeholders to invite them to take part in the consultation:
- MP for Wycombe Parliamentary Constituency
 - Political parties (i.e. Wycombe Conservatives, Wycombe Liberal Democrats, The Wycombe Constituency Labour Party, Wycombe Independents, Chiltern Green Party)
 - High Wycombe Town Committee
 - High Wycombe Charter Trustees
 - Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Association of Local Councils (BMKALC)
 - Association of Charter Trustees
 - Neighbouring parish councils
 - Housing associations (i.e. Red Kite Housing, Home Group Housing, Thrive Housing)
 - Blue light services (i.e. South Central Ambulance Service, Thames Valley Police, Bucks Fire and Rescue Service)

- Colleges and universities (i.e. Buckinghamshire New University, Buckinghamshire College Group)
- High Wycombe Business Improvement District (HWBIDCo)
- LEAP
- Cultural organisations (i.e. Wycombe Swan Theatre, Wycombe Museum)
- Community Impact Bucks
- Citizens Advice

7.2 Community organisations will also be contacted to inform them of the consultation and that they can take part via the online survey. We will also request they promote the consultation with their networks where appropriate.

8. Next steps and review

8.1 If the Committee approves the Terms of Reference, timeline and consultation and communications plan, the consultation will launch on Monday 12 February and close at 23:59pm on Sunday 7 April.

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Title: Have your say on how High Wycombe is run

Sub-title: Your Voice, Your Town

We are reviewing how High Wycombe is governed

As Buckinghamshire Council, we are responsible for reviewing local governance arrangements to ensure they meet local needs. Local governance arrangements are the processes in place for decision making that affects you and your local area. This includes how you and your local community are represented, such as by your local councillors at council meetings. It also includes who you can contact if you have a query about services in your area.

This review is called a Community Governance Review and investigates whether:

- decisions made in your local area reflect the identity and interests of the local community
- arrangements are as convenient and effective as possible

In 2019, the former Wycombe District Council started a Community Governance Review. We suspended this because the county council and district councils merged into one - Buckinghamshire Council. Since then, there has also been a review of ward boundaries in Buckinghamshire. We've now launched a new Community Governance Review for High Wycombe.

In some parts of the country, town or parish councils are responsible for services and decision making in their local community. In other areas, such as High Wycombe, different arrangements are in place. High Wycombe does not have a parish or town council – this is known as an unparished area.

We have enclosed a survey so you can tell us if you would prefer to keep arrangements in High Wycombe as they are, or whether a town council should be created.

You have received this survey because you live in the unparished area of High Wycombe.

[Insert map of unparished area of High Wycombe]

What is Community Governance?

Community governance is about how you and your local community are represented. It is about decision making that affects you and your local area. There are many types of local governance, for example:

- local councils
- community groups
- trusts
- societies
- faith groups
- residents' or tenants' associations
- neighbourhood groups

This review is about governance processes involving local councils. It is not about other types of local governance listed above.

The current governance arrangements

Existing governance arrangements in the unparished area of High Wycombe include:

- Buckinghamshire Council and its ward councillors
- High Wycombe Town Committee
- Charter Trustees and Mayor
- High Wycombe Community Board

Buckinghamshire Council

Buckinghamshire Council is responsible for providing all local authority services to High Wycombe. Examples of these include education, social care, highways planning, bin collections, grass cutting, street lighting, and town centre redevelopment. These services are funded by the Council Tax that you pay.

Currently there are 24 Buckinghamshire Council councillors who represent a set of wards in the High Wycombe area. This will reduce to 16 councillors in 2025 representing the new wards of:

- Abbey
- Booker and Cressex
- Castlefield and Oakridge
- Disraeli
- Downley
- Hazlemere
- Marsh and Micklefield
- Sands
- Terriers and Amersham Hill
- Totteridge and Bowerdean

Most of the Downley ward and Hazlemere ward are not in the unparished area of High Wycombe. But a small section of each ward is in the unparished area.

Our councillors represent High Wycombe at Buckinghamshire Council meetings. They also serve on the High Wycombe Town Committee and serve as Charter Trustees.

High Wycombe Town Committee

High Wycombe Town Committee advises us on issues affecting the High Wycombe town area, for example:

- regeneration
- community and facilities grants
- transport, cycling and walking strategies and plans
- High Wycombe and Penn Road Cemeteries
- events in the town centre
- All Saints Churchyard

The Committee is made up of Buckinghamshire Council councillors whose wards currently include any part of the unparished area of High Wycombe. The Committee also works with local organisations.

Current arrangements for paying for services

All Buckinghamshire residents pay a Council Tax which funds the key local authority services provided by Buckinghamshire Council across the county. In addition, the Council Tax paid by High Wycombe town residents includes a fee for **'special expenses'**. This fee is sometimes called a precept. This fee supports the maintenance of local amenities in High Wycombe Town including:

- public halls
- cemeteries
- recreation grounds
- allotments
- footway lighting
- war memorials
- community grants

The average special expenses annual fee we receive from High Wycombe town residents for a Band 'D' property is £15.94. This is based on 2023/24 Council Tax.

The High Wycombe Town Committee makes recommendations to us on the allocation of this funding and proposes an annual budget.

Charter Trustees

The Charter Trustees of High Wycombe were established in 1974. The Buckinghamshire Council councillors whose wards currently include any part of the unparished area of High Wycombe are appointed as the Charter Trustees. They have a ceremonial role, in addition to their Buckinghamshire Council responsibilities. They are responsible for preserving the historic identity and civic traditions of the town. Annually, one of the Charter Trustees is nominated by their peers to be Mayor of the Town. The Mayor of High Wycombe is a ceremonial and non-political role. The Mayor represents the town at civic and ceremonial events.

High Wycombe Community Board

In 2020, Buckinghamshire Council established community boards uniting local councillors and key partners. We did this to understand and respond to local issues and priorities. The High Wycombe Community Board delivers projects that meet local needs using our funding. View examples of the projects delivered by the High Wycombe Community Board on our website: www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/high-wycombe-community-board.

Options that we considered

We considered different options for the area of High Wycombe. We decided on two options for consultation:

- keep arrangements as they are (as described above)
- replace current arrangements with a town council

What is a town council?

Town and parish councils are a legally independent, additional local government layer. Town councils are similar to parish councils but usually cover larger areas.

Town councils have elected town councillors. They are elected in the same way as our Buckinghamshire Council councillors and their term of office is 4 years.

Town councils:

- are consulted on local planning matters
 - Buckinghamshire Council would remain as the planning authority and make the final decision on any planning issue
- can represent the views of local people on issues that they are concerned about
- can provide some local services for residents and businesses in the area they cover
- provide a forum for local people to discuss issues they are concerned about and to plan local action

What services could a town council provide?

A new town council could provide a number of local services. For example, Princes Risborough Town Council:

- arranges events such as the Christmas lights switch-on and farmers' market
- manages open spaces, play areas, football pitches and memorial garden
- maintains some street lighting
- maintains flower beds and hanging baskets
- is responsible for local grass cutting

A town council could provide some of the very local services instead of Buckinghamshire Council. It could also choose to provide some new services.

If a Town Council was created, what would happen to the Charter Trustees and Mayor?

If we establish a town council, we would dissolve the Charter Trustees and Mayoral roles. A new town council could decide to create a new Mayoral role.

If a Town Council was created, what would that mean for Buckinghamshire Council?

A new town council would not replace Buckinghamshire Council. But, it could provide some of the local services currently provided by us. However, Buckinghamshire Council would remain as the principal council for the area. We would continue to be responsible for providing most of the local authority services to High Wycombe. This includes services such as education, social care, highways, planning, bin collections and recycling.

Buckinghamshire Council and our councillors would continue. A new town council would need separate elections for additional councillors. Based on similar population, this could be between 13 and 25 additional councillors.

How would a town council be funded?

Town councils are funded by a town council precept (fee) added to your Council Tax. This would be on top of the existing Council Tax that you already pay (there would be no

reduction in how much Buckinghamshire Council charge you). The amount of the precept would be decided by the town council and would depend on factors including:

- the number of councillors
- the number of staff employed
- the number and nature of the services the town council chooses to provide

So, it is not yet possible to tell you what the additional precept for a town council in High Wycombe could be. But here are some examples for existing town councils of a similar size:

Town council	Population	Band 'D' precept 2023/24 (£ annually)
Aylesbury Town Council	63,126	£156.19
Weston-Super-Mare Town Council	82,418	£110.52

Depending on what services a new council would provide, the 'special expenses' precept may continue alongside the precept for the new council (if this is the preferred option).

Each year, the increase to the Council Tax for Buckinghamshire Council is 'capped' by Central Government. There is no 'cap' placed on increases to the precept for town councils.

What would happen if a town council is not created?

The current governance arrangements would continue, including:

- the High Wycombe Town Committee
- the Charter Trustees
- the Mayor

As part of this review, there is an opportunity to suggest improvements.

Why would I pay more Council Tax if a town council is created?

The precept for a town council would be an extra charge on top of your current Council Tax. This is because a town council precept would pay for costs on top of those paid for by your existing Council Tax, such as extra services and support staff.

The next steps

Because you live in the unparished area of High Wycombe, we would like to hear your views.

You can tell us your views in one of the following ways:

- complete the online survey at www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/high-wycombe-consultation or scan the QR code below
- complete the survey enclosed and send this to us using the envelope provided
- email us at highwycombecgr@buckinghamshire.gov.uk
- write to us at High Wycombe CGR, Buckinghamshire Council, Queen Victoria Road, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP11 1BB

[Insert QR code for consultation webpage]

Your feedback will be used by councillors, along with other relevant information. We will then consider the future community governance arrangements for the area.

Respond before Sunday 7 April 2024

We must receive all responses before midnight on Sunday 7 April 2024.

If you would like to receive updates on the High Wycombe Community Governance Review, sign up for our mailing list at www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/signup.

This information can be made available in other formats and languages. Contact us at highwycombecgr@buckinghamshire.gov.uk.

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Aceste informații pot fi puse la dispoziție în alte formate și limbi. Vă rugăm să ne contactați la highwycombecgr@buckinghamshire.gov.uk.

Have your say on how High Wycombe is run: Your Voice, Your Town

1. Which is your preferred option? Please tick (✓) one option

- Keep arrangements as they are
- Replace current arrangements with a town council
- A different option (please give details below in question 2)
- I don't know

2. Please tell us the reasons for your answer:

If you have suggestions to improve current arrangements, please include them here.

3. Would you be willing to pay a precept to cover the running costs and local investment in a town council? Please tick (✓) one option

This would be an additional charge on top of your existing council tax bill.

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

About you

Responses without a name and full address will not be accepted. We are asking you to provide your name and full address because we need to ensure we consider the views of residents and electors directly affected by the proposals. Your name and address will be verified against the Electoral Register to check if you are an elector in the unparished area of High Wycombe. **If you are not registered to vote in High Wycombe, you can still take part in the consultation.** Your information will also be used as part of quality assurance checks to ensure multiple responses have not been received from the same individual. No responses will be attributed to individual respondents. By submitting this survey with a completed name and address you are acknowledging that your information will be used as stated above.

Name:	
Full address:	

We want to understand the views and experiences of our communities in High Wycombe. Demographic data will be separated from your name and address for verification purposes. Your postcode and demographic data will be used to understand if responses are demographically and geographically representative of High Wycombe. The data will be anonymised and handled confidentially. All of the following questions are optional. You can skip any questions you do not wish to answer.

4. What is your age? Please tick (✓) one option

<input type="checkbox"/>	Under 18	<input type="checkbox"/>	35 to 44	<input type="checkbox"/>	65 to 74	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say
<input type="checkbox"/>	18 to 24	<input type="checkbox"/>	45 to 54	<input type="checkbox"/>	75 to 84		
<input type="checkbox"/>	25 to 34	<input type="checkbox"/>	55 to 64	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over 85		

5. Do you consider yourself to have a disability / disabilities, impairment(s) or long term health condition(s)? Please tick (✓) all that apply

<input type="checkbox"/>	Disability / disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Long term health condition(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impairment(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	No		

6. Are you: Please tick (✓) one option

<input type="checkbox"/>	Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	Male	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say
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7. How would you describe your ethnicity? Please tick (✓) one option

<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian – British	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mixed or multiple ethnic groups - White and Black Caribbean
<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian - Bangladeshi	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mixed or multiple ethnic groups - Mixed or Multiple Ethnic backgrounds British
<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian - Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other Mixed or Multiple ethnic background - Please give details below
<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian - Indian	<input type="checkbox"/>	White - English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British
<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian - Pakistani	<input type="checkbox"/>	White - Irish
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other Asian background – Please give details below	<input type="checkbox"/>	White - Gypsy or English traveller
<input type="checkbox"/>	Black - African	<input type="checkbox"/>	White - Irish Traveller
<input type="checkbox"/>	Black - British	<input type="checkbox"/>	White - European
<input type="checkbox"/>	Black - Caribbean	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other White background - Please give details below
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other Black, African or Caribbean background – Please give details below	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other ethnic group - Arab
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mixed or multiple ethnic groups - White and Asian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other ethnic group - Arab British
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mixed or multiple ethnic groups - White and Black African	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other ethnic group - Please give details below
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mixed or multiple ethnic groups - White and Black British	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say

Please give other details here:

End of the survey

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. **Please return your completed survey using the envelope provided by midnight on Sunday 7 April 2024.**

Privacy

We will use the information you provide here only for this activity. We will store the information securely in line with data protection laws and will not publish any personal details. Postal responses will be shared with a third party (data processor) contracted by Buckinghamshire Council to work on behalf of the Council to process the information. For more information about data and privacy and how we will use your information, please go to www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/privacy. If you have questions about data and privacy, please email us on dataprotection@buckinghamshire.gov.uk or write to our Data Protection Officer at Buckinghamshire Council, The Gateway, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury, HP19 8FF.



Report to Standards and General Purposes Committee

Date:	18 January 2024
Title:	Approach to considering requests for Community Governance Reviews
Relevant councillor(s):	All councillors
Author and/or contact officer:	Nick Graham, Service Director, Legal and Democratic. Contact officer Mat Bloxham, Electoral Services Manager and Glenn Watson, Principal Governance Officer.
Ward(s) affected:	All wards
Recommendation:	To agree the approach to reviewing proposals to change parish areas or electoral arrangements via a Community Governance Review that are received by the Council (as set out in paragraphs 2.4 to 2.6).

1. Executive summary

- 1.1 As reported to the Standards and General Purposes Committee meeting on 24 August 2023, the Council has received enquiries from parish councils and the public seeking to make changes to parish electoral arrangements. To date, five requests have been received.
- 1.2 Whilst the process for conducting a Community Governance Review is set out in legislation and statutory guidance, this report proposes an approach to how Community Governance Review requests that are received by the Council, except those with a petition, will be considered, to ensure consistency and provide greater clarity on the approach that will be followed. In summary, it is proposed that in addition to meeting the legislative requirements and statutory guidance, any proposal must demonstrate local support and where this involves changing Council size that the request is justified e.g. by taking account of the number and duration of any unfilled casual vacancies.

- 1.3 The Committee has appointed a cross-party Councillor Working Group to make recommendations to this Committee on all proposals for a Community Governance Review. The Terms of Reference are in Appendix 1. The rules for handling formal petitions are clear. However, the Committee is asked to give some clarity to the thresholds or criteria for the handling of community-based requests not made via a petition.

2. Content of the report

When the Council may undertake a CGR

- 2.1 A principal council must undertake a review when it is presented with a valid community governance petition by local government electors from the petition area. The signature thresholds for a valid petition are show in the table below:

Petition Area	Signatures required
Less than 500 electors	At least 37.5% of the electors
500 to 2,499 electors	At least 187 of the electors
More than 2,500 electors	At least 7.5% of the electors

- 2.2 Principal councils may undertake a CGR of any part of the area at any time. This may be in response to receiving a reasonable request for a review, from residents or a parish council for example, or because it decides a review is required, such as where there have been population changes e.g. arising from a new development.
- 2.3 When deciding whether to carry out a review in response to a request the council must first determine whether the request is reasonable. A request can refer to changes to population or anomalous boundaries. A request is considered unreasonable if it disrupts community cohesion or does not result in effective and convenient local government arrangements.
- 2.4 It is recommended that the Committee require that all CGR proposals, similarly to the requirements of a petition, demonstrate local support. This could include for example evidence of representations received from residents or community organisations in support of the proposal. The aim of this is to ensure that any proposed change is justified prior to a CGR being carried out and thereby ensure that council resources required for the conduct of a CGR are utilised efficiently. Unlike a petition, there is no prescribed threshold, however support should be reasonable and proportionate to the change proposed.

- 2.5 In addition to the paragraph above, it is recommended that the Council takes into account the duration and number of casual vacancies when considering a request to change Council size. Proposals to change Council size should be justified in light of the number and duration of casual vacancies in preceding years. This is to ensure that the existing Council size is fully utilised before a review is carried out. This is consistent with the statutory objectives and aims to ensure that proposals provide an improvement on the status quo.
- 2.6 It is suggested that before the Working Group gives formal consideration to a request, it is assured of the following:
- a. *Proposals purporting to come from a parish council or councils should be based on a formal resolution of at least one of those councils;*
 - b. *Proposals purporting to come from individuals or community groups should demonstrate wider support and that any existing parish councils affected by the proposal have already been consulted*
 - c. *Where a proposal suggests an increase in councillor numbers, a commentary is supplied on how this is justified with regard to the council's success or otherwise in filling casual vacancies.*
- 2.7 If these principles are accepted, the Council's web pages on community governance reviews, and the advice given to interested parties, can be updated accordingly to manage expectations. The Working Group can apply them in framing its recommendations.

3. Timetable

- 3.1 Following approval of the approach to reviewing CGR proposals, as set out in this report, the cross-party Councillor Working Group will apply the principles to the requests currently in hand. The Standards and General Purposes Committee will then receive a report at the next meeting on 4 April 2024 detailing the Group's recommendations on any such CGR proposals received to date, along with a proposed timetable for conducting any reviews that are taken forward.

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Community Governance Review Working Group

Terms of Reference

Purpose of the Group

1. The Community Governance Review Working Group (CGRWG) is a cross-party member working group of the whole of the Standards & General Purposes Committee, chaired by the Committee Chairman. It has been established to make recommendations to the Committee about Community Governance Reviews (CGRs), including the specific review for the Wycombe area and for any other review that may potentially take place.
2. The Working Group is advisory only, with no formal decision-making powers.

Roles

3. The Group will be called upon, as requested by the Committee, to work up proposals, sift responses and generally advise the Committee on any aspect of a CGR. This includes:
 - 1) Considering requests or petitions for a CGR and drafting potential Terms of Reference for such CGRs, as appropriate, for recommendation to the Committee
 - 2) Suggesting amendments to existing Terms of Reference for a CGR to accommodate any new CGR request or petition affecting some or all of the same communities
 - 3) Suggesting the appropriate timeline for conducting and completing a review
 - 4) Working up the scope of any proposed consultations at each stage of a Community Governance Review, for recommendation to the Committee
 - 5) Reviewing responses to the consultations at each stage, and making recommendations to the Committee on potential next step, based on the outcomes
 - 6) Making recommendations to the Committee on the implementation of a CGR and, as requested, the content of an appropriate Order

Scope of a CGR

4. A principal council must make recommendations as to:
 - a) whether a new parish or any new parishes should be constituted
 - b) whether existing parishes should or should not be abolished or whether the area of existing parishes should be altered or
 - c) what the electoral arrangements for new or existing parishes, which are to have parish councils
5. It may also make recommendations about:
 - d) the grouping or degrouping of parishes

- e) adding parishes to an existing group of parishes or
- f) making related alterations to the boundaries of a principal councils' electoral areas

6. The CGRWG will assist the Committee in fulfilling these responsibilities.

Guiding principles

7. In carrying out its work, the CGRWG's recommendations must accord with the relevant legislation and [statutory guidance](#). The Group will also bear in mind that the outcome of any CGR must:

- (a) reflect the identities and interests of the community in that area, and
- (b) be effective and convenient.

Membership

8. The CGRWG is an informal cross-party group of the whole of the Standards & General Purposes Committee and so will necessarily be politically proportional. The quorum will be a quarter of the group's membership.

Chairmanship

9. At its first meeting, the CGRWG will appoint a person to be the Vice-Chairman of the Group, for the council year

Voting

10. It is intended that the CGRWG will achieve its recommendations through consensus. Where a vote is necessary, the Chairman will have a second or casting vote.

Status

11. The CGRWG is an informal working group and as such its meetings are not open to the public. This is to enable free and frank exchanges of views. Its recommendations will be made public at Committee in any case. Nevertheless, the CGRWG may at its discretion invite stakeholders or other persons to appear before it to give views or evidence if this would better aid the Group in framing its recommendations.

Frequency

12. The CGRWG will meet as frequently as required to enable it to deliver its recommendations in a timely manner within the timescales established for each CGR. Meetings of the CGRWG may be held in person or online.

August 2023



Report to Standards and General Purposes Committee

Date:	18 January 2024
Title:	Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations
Relevant councillor(s):	All
Author/contact officers:	Nick Graham, Service Director, Legal and Democratic Mat Bloxham, Electoral Services Manager
Wards affected:	All

Recommendations:

- 1) That the Electoral Registration Officer is authorised to take the necessary measures to give effect to any new or amended polling districts and polling places (Appendix 5), or as amended, ensuring that the register reflects existing and new boundaries, until the boundaries are fully in force.
- 2) That power to designate temporary polling places in accordance with section 18 and 18B of the Representation of the People Act 1983 is delegated to the Electoral Registration Officer/Returning Officer subject to the Chairman of the Standards and General Purposes Committee and relevant ward Members being informed.

1. Reason for decision:

- 1.1 The Council was required to undertake a compulsory review of the polling districts, polling places and polling stations within Buckinghamshire. The review enables necessary changes to be made to polling districts arising from the electoral review of Buckinghamshire Council's wards for May 2025 and the review of Parliamentary constituencies. The review also identified changes to some polling places due to changes to the availability of premises.
- 1.2 A power to designate temporary polling places is required because sometimes when a poll is called designated polling places are not always available and an alternative

polling place must be found, often at short notice, to avoid delays to the printing and despatch of poll cards. For example, a UK Parliamentary election can be called with 25 days' notice which leaves only a couple of days to book 366 polling stations, identify and visit suitable alternative venues, and send poll card data to be printed for 421,000 electors. Similar situations occur for unscheduled polls, such as by elections or neighbourhood planning referendums, which continue to be held regularly within Buckinghamshire.

2. Background

- 2.1 The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 introduced a change to the timing of compulsory reviews of UK Parliamentary polling districts and polling places. Compulsory reviews must be started and completed within the period of 16 months that starts on 1 October every fifth year after October 2013. This meant that the next review in Buckinghamshire had to commence between October 2023 and January 2025.
- 2.2 As previously agreed by the Committee, [at the meeting held on 7 August 2023](#), the review in Buckinghamshire commenced on 2 October and the public consultation closed on 4 December 2023. Stakeholders, including the public, Councillors, Parish Councils, election agents and local groups with particular expertise in accessibility, were contacted and invited to comment on the proposed polling districts and polling places. The full responses to the consultation are attached in Appendix 2.
- 2.3 The Acting Returning Officers were also consulted on the proposals and their comments were published in the consultation (also in Appendix 2).
- 2.4 The timetable for the review is attached as Appendix 1 and enables consequential changes to polling districts, polling places and polling stations arising from the parliamentary and local government boundary reviews to be ready in time from when new boundaries take effect. The availability of polling places can change over time which means that alternative suitable venues need to be identified to ensure electors can continue to be able to vote in person.
- 2.5 The Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBC) undertook a review of unitary wards within Buckinghamshire Council and their [final report](#) was published on 30 May 2023. The polling district review provides an opportunity to identify consequential changes to polling districts, polling places or polling stations arising from the final report's recommendations. The Council's new wards take effect May 2025 when the next scheduled local elections will be held. Any by elections held between now and May 2025 will use the current wards. All proposed changes to polling districts arising from the polling district review are compatible with both the current and new unitary wards.

- 2.6 A Parliamentary Boundary Review was undertaken by the Boundary Commission for England. The Committee received a report on the [Parliamentary Boundary Review on 17 November 2022](#). The Government has now made an Order bringing into effect the Commission's final recommendations (links below). This means the next UK Parliamentary election will use the new constituencies. A UK Parliamentary election must be held before 28 January 2025 and can be called at any time. Buckinghamshire Council will administer the Aylesbury, Beaconsfield, Chesham and Amersham, Mid Buckinghamshire and Wycombe Parliamentary Constituencies. The Council will also support Milton Keynes City Council in administering the cross border constituency of Buckingham and Bletchley which Milton Keynes City Council will have overall responsibility for. Both Councils will work closely with one another to administer this cross border constituency.

Final report:

<https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/2023-review/>

Interactive map:

<https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/interactive-map/>

- 2.7 Polling districts are a geographical area created by the sub-division of a UK Parliamentary constituency for the purposes of a UK Parliamentary election. For consistency the same polling districts are used for both local government and national elections. The Council determines polling districts during a polling district review.
- 2.8 A polling place is the building or area in which a poll takes place and will be selected by the Returning Officer. The polling station is the actual room or building where the poll takes place.
- 2.9 This polling district review does not change the boundaries of unitary wards, parishes or parliamentary constituencies which are dealt with through separate processes.
- 2.10 The Council currently has 366 polling stations and 309 polling districts. Most polling districts, polling places and polling stations are recommended to remain as they are now. Changes to polling districts boundaries were proposed where they would no longer match the new unitary ward or parish ward (where amended) and parliamentary constituency boundaries. There were proposed changes to some polling places arising from changes to venue availability.
- 2.11 The full responses received during the consultation are in Appendix 2.
- 2.12 Some of the proposals received only positive consultation feedback or no feedback. These are in Appendix 3.
- 2.13 Other proposals received feedback identifying alternative options. These are in Appendix 4 which sets out where further changes to some of the proposed polling

districts and polling places are recommended, having regard to the consultation responses received and circumstances in each location.

3. Next steps and review

3.1 Following the Committee's decision on future polling districts and polling places, the following documents will be published, and the revised register will be published on 1 February 2024. The new unitary wards, and consequential changes to parishes, will take effect at the next scheduled local elections on 1 May 2025.

- all correspondence sent to an (A)RO in connection with the review
- all correspondence sent to any person whom the authority thinks has particular expertise in relation to access to premises or facilities for persons who have different forms of disability
- all representations made by any person in connection with the review
- the minutes of any meeting held by the council to consider any revision to the designation of polling districts or polling places within its area as a result of the review
- details of the designation of polling districts and polling places within the local authority area as a result of the review
- details of the places where the results of the review have been published

4. Appendices

- Appendix 1: Timetable
- Appendix 2: Consultation responses
- Appendix 3: Proposed changes to polling places that received positive support or no feedback
- Appendix 4: Proposed changes to polling places that received feedback identifying other options
- Appendix 5: Full list of proposed polling districts and polling places (word)

Timetable for the review of Polling Places and Polling Districts

Stage	What happens	Timescale	Dates
Buckinghamshire Council Electoral Review concludes			30 May 2023
UK Parliamentary constituency proposals published	final report and recommendations to Parliament by 1 July 2023	The Government to prepare an order to implement the new constituencies for the whole UK. This should be provided to the Privy Council for approval within four months of the Government receiving the last report of the four Parliamentary Boundary Commissions for the UK. The new constituencies will then take effect at the next general election thereafter.	1 July 2023
Report to Standards & General Purposes Committee	Timetable & process noted	Standards & General Purposes Committee	24 August 2023
Proposals drafted & notice prepared			August - September 2023
Publication of notice and commencement of the review	Start of public consultation period. Stakeholders contacted via email. Web page published.	No earlier than 1 October 2023	2 October 2023

Timetable for the review of Polling Places and Polling Districts

Stage	What happens	Timescale	Dates
Publication of the (Acting) Returning Officer's comments and proposals		Within 30 days of receipt of ARO's comments	6 November 2023
Public consultation period closes		9 weeks	4 December 2023
Draft Standards & General Purposes Committee report	Review consultation responses and draft recommendations for Standards & General Purposes Committee		December 2023
Standards & General Purposes Committee	Review consultation responses and agree recommendations on revised polling districts and polling places and that authority be delegated to the RO to make temporary changes, if required.		18 January 2024
Publication of the revised register – conclusion of the review	Register publication on 1 February		1 February 2024

Polling District and Polling Places Review 2023: Consultation Responses

Date	11 October 2023
Name	Parish Clerk of Stoke Hammond Parish Council
Polling District/Place	Stoke Hammond
Comments	<p>As the Parish Clerk for Stoke Hammond I am replying on behalf of my councillors to the consultation on Polling Stations in Buckinghamshire.</p> <p>For many years the polling place for the Stoke Hammond Parish has been in the Community Centre , Bragenham Side in the heart of Stoke Hammond Village. This was perfectly adequate as the vast bulk of parishioners lived in the village and could walk to the polling station. The outlying villagers were either on farms or remote houses where they would have cars or other motorised transport.</p> <p>The last 5 years however have seen a dramatic change in the demographic of the Parish.</p> <p>Stoke Hammond Parish now comprises two distinct settlements approximately 2 -3 miles apart; the village of Stoke Hammond itself, and the entirely new separate South West part of the Newton Leys development on the edge of Milton Keynes but falling within the parish of Stoke Hammond and therefore within the Buckinghamshire Council area. The 2021 census shows that Stoke Hammond Parish has 2100 residents with 900 of these in Newton Leys. This means 43 per cent of the parish are 2-3 miles from the polling station. Within Newton Leys there were 558 residents of voting age with 986 in Stoke Hammond Village and outlying areas. There are significantly more school age and younger children in Newton Leys adding further difficulty for parents with young children in getting to the distant voting station.</p> <p>This is a serious issue for the residents of Newton Leys specifically those without a car. It is extremely difficult to walk between Newton Leys and Stoke Hammond to vote; there are no footways, beside either road route. One route would require negotiating two major roundabouts and walking beside a dual carriageway with no footway, the alternative route would involve walking along busier local roads again with no footways. In addition there is no viable bus route between the two settlements.</p> <p>We believe the solution is clear- we need a separate Polling Place for the Newton Leys Residents of Stoke Hammond Parish.</p>

Date	3 October 2023
Name	Andrew Jones
Polling District/Place	Stoke Hammond
Comments	<p>Stoke Hammond Parish comprises two distinct settlements approximately 2 -3 miles apart; the village of Stoke Hammond itself, and the entirely separate South West part of the Newton Leys development on the edge of Milton Keynes but falling within the parish of Stoke Hammond and therefore within the Buckinghamshire Council area. The larger part of the Newton Leys development falls under Milton Keynes Council.</p> <p>The Polling Place for the whole of Stoke Hammond Parish including the part of Newton Leys falling within that Parish is in Stoke Hammond village.</p> <p>Whilst I was campaigning as a candidate in the last Buckinghamshire Elections in 2021 I realised that the lack of a suitably convenient Polling Place for Newton Leys was a serious issue for the residents, particularly those without a car, and this issue was frequently raised with me on the doorstep. It would be practically impossible to walk between Newton Leys and Stoke Hammond to vote; there are no footways, beside either road route. One route would require negotiating two major roundabouts and walking beside a dual carriageway with no footway, the alternative route would involve walking along busier local roads again with no footways.</p> <p>There is no viable bus route between the two settlements.</p> <p>The solution is clear- there needs to be a separate Polling Place for the Newton Leys Residents of Stoke Hammond Parish.</p>

Date	3 October 2023
Name	David Bratt
Polling District/Place	Great Brickhill Parish Hall
Comments	Excellent venue with easy parking, including disabled spaces, and step free access.

Date	4 October 2023
Name	Roger Blofeld
Polling District/Place	Great Brickhill Parish Hall
Comments	The hall is a very convenient location for the residents of the village.

Date	4 October 2023
Name	Marcus Feinhols
Polling District/Place	Great Brickhill Parish Hall
Comments	Great Brickhill parish hall is a fantastic polling station being large, convenient to get to and offering plenty of parking with a large car park. A definite must use station.

Date	30 November 2023
Name	David Gardner
Polling District/Place	Adult Learning Centre, Chesham
Comments	<p>I prefer to vote in person.</p> <p>I understand from your consultation that I shall still be expected to walk over half a mile uphill to the Adult Learning Centre in Chartridge Lane when the nearest polling station is less than 200 yards away at the Chesham Methodist Church.</p> <p>Might it not be possible for common sense to overcome mathematics in this case?</p>

Date	3 October 2023
Name	Sanjeema De-Alwis
Polling District/Place	n/a
Comments	Wanting bigger space for all polling booths, less queues, a coloured voting sheet

Date	3 October 2023
Name	Mary-Anne Stanford
Polling District/Place	n/a
Comments	Not used polling station since moved to area as we do postal vote.

Date	4 October 2023
Name	James Blachford
Polling District/Place	CK - Chalfont St Giles Memorial Hall
Comments	<p>The polling station for Chalfont St Giles is currently located at The Memorial Hall on School Lane. However, this presents an issue as the hall is used by Chalfont St Giles Infant School for lunch every working day, both for hot meals and lunch boxes. On election days, the children cannot have hot meals because the hall is used for voting.</p> <p>I propose relocating the polling booth across the road to the Guide Hut, which has ample space. This way, the children can have their lunch as usual, and there would be no impact on people voting. It seems like a sensible solution that would make everyone happy.</p>

Date	3 October 2023
Name	Sarah Bennett
Polling District/Place	Church of Christ the Servant King, Sycamore Road, High Wycombe
Comments	The Church of Christ the Servant King, Sycamore Road, High Wycombe - unable to be used as a polling station as there are now regular hirers

Date	17 October 2023
Name	Sarah Rothwell
Polling District/Place	Long Crendon Baptist Church
Comments	Baptist Chapel would prefer not to be used as they had regular toddler groups on a Thursday. Would prefer us to go back to Church House, which we have previously used as a polling station.

Date	4 December 2023
Name	Sarah Pannu (Sproat) on behalf of Aylesbury Conservatives
Polling District/Place	See below
Comments	<p>Following the Parliamentary and Local Government Boundary Reviews it makes perfect sense that Buckinghamshire Council review the polling places to ensure that they work with the future boundaries as well as a sensible exercise to do regularly to ensure that polling places are accessible, suitable and cost effective for the Council.</p> <p>We understand that the Acting Returning Officer for the new Aylesbury constituency Nick Graham agrees with all of the proposals for the Aylesbury constituency. However, we have a few concerns that we feel need to be raised about some of the changes proposed and we have outlined below.</p> <p>The proposed changes within the Aylesbury constituency that we agree with are (using the new polling district codes):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AAM Olympic Lodge changed to Rivets Sports & Social Club, Whitehead Way • AAV The Grange School changed to Aylesbury Tennis & Squash Club • ABN Ewe Barn changed to The Village Swan, Ivinghoe Aston • ABO Oakfield Community Building changed to Kingsbrook View Primary Academy – please note that there is a large increase in traffic at school drop off and pick up times and this may discourage people to vote at these times if clear signage about parking for voting is not made available • AAK & AAU being split due to LGBC proposals and voting at Walton Court CC • AAN polling districts being merged due to Parliamentary boundary changes and voting at Oakfield Scout Hut • AAO due to LGBC and voting at Prebendal Farm CC • AAQ polling districts being merged due to Parliamentary boundary changes and voting at Haydon Hill CC • AAW due to LGBC proposals and voting at Walton Court CC • ABX districts being merged due to Parliamentary boundary changes and voting at The School Room, 29/31 High Street, Weedon <p>The proposed changes that we would like to highlight our concerns about are:</p> <p>DCG & ABV.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We understand due to the LGBC proposals the existing polling district (ABD) had to be split to accommodate the two wards of Aylesbury South East and Wendover, Halton & Stoke

Mandeville and that due to Parliamentary boundary changes both DCH and DCG would be voting for the Mid Buckinghamshire constituency. Given that ABV and DCG will fall into the same ward for Buckinghamshire Council and Parish Council elections we think it would make sense for both polling districts to vote in the same polling place.

- At the last polling place review, we raised concerns about moving the polling place to Hawkslade Farm CC due to the fact that it is a long walk for those who don't have access to a car/lift to the polling station. We note that there is an option to cross the railway line which will cut down the journey, but as it involves crossing a railway line via a stile we do not think this is suitable for everyone and certainly not those that have mobility issues and use any form of mobility aid. We believe polling places as accessible as possible to ensure as many people who wish to vote in person are able to do so without facing access difficulties.
- As our view is that both polling districts should vote in the same polling place we accept that the walk to Hawkslade Community Centre is a likely more pleasant walk than to the Stoke Mandeville Community Centre due to the nature of the roads (a heavily trafficked B443 where the vehicles can travel at up to 40mph for sections) both would take around 15-20 minutes from the respective polling districts.
- There is no direct bus route from these polling districts to Hawkslade CC, only to Stoke Mandeville village which is further rationale as to why we don't think Hawkslade CC is the most suitable location.
- We understand there is a lack of community venues within the polling districts, but we would suggest that the use of Booker Park School may be an option, it has been used for community events in the past, is easily accessible on foot for the residents in both polling districts, there is parking onsite for those that may need assistance and it falls within the Stoke Mandeville parish. There is a history of small polling districts that are in different parliamentary seats voting in the same polling station so we don't think this would be a problem.

ABY

- Due to the LGBC proposals we understand the need to create two new polling districts, however part of the reasoning behind this change was the fact that ABY Aston Reach is not closely linked to Weston Turville so it would make no sense for that to continue as the polling station for the ward.
- To walk to Weston Turville from Aston Reach would at the quickest take approx. 40 minutes via New Road. However, New Road doesn't have a footpath for the whole length of the way and is a national speed limit road, with no street lighting, for a large part of the route where cars could be travelling 60mph.
- Although Bedgrove Pavilion is still a somewhat long walk, it takes approx. 25 mins but is within areas with footpaths the entire way with streetlights.
- There is no direct public transport option to get from Aston Reach to Weston Turville village, again one of the reasons behind the LGBC proposals for a change in the ward. We do not believe that Weston Turville Village Hall would be a suitable polling place.
- Our suggestion would be for Bedgrove Pavilion to be used for ABY being in the same Buckinghamshire Council ward, the venue is already in use, and it is safely accessible. Ideally, we would suggest a venue even closer for residents, but we understand that the cost of using the Holiday Inn may be too high and it may not be suitable due to it being a busy hotel and fitness centre.

DAC

- We understand due to the increase in the size of the electorate that the Family Centre in Berryfields Primary School may no longer be suitable. Roman Park is a fabulous local

facility; however we are concerned that the location could cause problems for people voting if they wish to walk to the venue as it is not central to the estate.

- Although the venue may be less than half a mile, suggesting it will take a 5 minute walk is optimistic at most, especially for those with mobility issues it could be at least double if not more. At the furthest point it could be upwards of a 20 minute walk.
- For those that will drive, there is limited parking at the venue while both schools have more parking individually as well as on street parking available.
- Would it be possible to use one of the other schools which are centrally located, have ample parking and are within easier walking distance for the majority of the ward?

Date	30 November 2023
Name	Councillor Susan Morgan, on behalf of Aylesbury Liberal Democrats
Polling District/Place	See below
Comments	<p>The Aylesbury Liberal Democrats submit the following responses to the proposed changes to polling places:</p> <p>Current Ward: Stone & Waddesdon Changing from Berryfields Family Centre, Berryfields Primary School HP18 0FG to Roman Park Hall, Sir Henry Lee Crescent, HP18 0YT The Aylesbury Liberal Democrats note that the majority of the Berryfields Parish are on the opposite side of the main road from Roman Park and while the change in distance is not significant, moving all the polling districts to Roman park will deter some voters. We propose that one polling district remains in Berryfields Family centre.</p> <p>Current Ward: Aston Clinton & Bierton The Aylesbury Liberal Democrats have no objections to moving the polling station from The Oakfield Community Building, Siding Road, Kingsbrook HP22 7AY to Kingsbrook View Primary Academy, Kingsbrook Basin, Broughton, HP22 7EE</p> <p>Current Ward: Aylesbury South East</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Aylesbury Liberal Democrats have no objections to moving the polling station from Room 5/6 Olympic Lodge, Stoke Mandeville Stadium HP21 9PP to Rivets Sports and Social Club, Whitehead Way, Aylesbury HP21 8AD 2. The Aylesbury Liberal Democrats have no objections to moving the polling station from The Grange School, Wendover Way, Aylesbury HP21 7NH to Aylesbury Tennis and Squash Club, The County Ground, Wendover Road, Aylesbury, HP21 9NJ <p>AAI - Aylesbury Hawkslade changes to AAK Aylesbury, Hawkslade. Polling District changed to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Hawkslade Ward for Aylesbury Town Council. Proposed polling place is Walton Court Community Centre, Walton Court Shopping Centre, Hannon Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 8TJ. Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows: Aylesbury Liberal Democrats support this proposed change.</p>

AAI (NEW SPLIT) changes to **AAU** Aylesbury, Southcourt 3. Polling District changed to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Hawkslade Ward and Southcourt Ward for Aylesbury Town Council. Proposed polling place is Walton Court Community Centre, Walton Court Shopping Centre, Hannon Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP218TJ. Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows: **Aylesbury Liberal Democrats support this proposed change.**

AAL - Aylesbury Oakfield changes to **AAN** Aylesbury, Oakfield as Current Polling Districts BEC and AAL merge since they are both now within the same parliamentary constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows: **Aylesbury Liberal Democrats support this proposed change.**

AAM - Aylesbury Oxford Road changes to **AAO** Aylesbury, Oxford Road and the Polling District is changed to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Walton Court for Aylesbury Town Council. Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows **Aylesbury Liberal Democrats propose that the ward is split into two polling districts - Prebendal Farm and Hartwell polling at the Community Centre in Somerville Way - and the part of Oxford Road Ward to the south of Oxford Road along Ellen Road polling at Southcourt community centre on Prebendal Avenue. It would bring the polling station closer and is geographically more appropriate for that part of the ward.**

AAN - Aylesbury Quarrendon No 1 Renamed to **AAP** Aylesbury, Quarrendon 1 with polling taking place in. Quarrendon & Meadowcroft Community Centre, Bowlers Field, Meadowcroft Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP19 9H

Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows:

We propose that AAP Aylesbury Quarrendon 1 is renamed to Aylesbury Quarrendon. Splitting the old Haydon Hill / Quarrendon Ward into two has made the numbering superfluous as there will only be one polling district in the town ward.

AAO - Aylesbury Quarrendon No.2 is renamed to **AAQ** Aylesbury, Quarrendon/Haydon Hill 1 and will also merge with current Polling District BEE to match the Boundary Commission for England's final proposals for parliamentary constituencies Haydon Hill Community Centre, 10 Dickens Way, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP19 8SR

Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows:

We propose that AAQ Aylesbury, Quarrendon/Haydon Hill 1 is renamed to AAQ Aylesbury Haydon Hill 1. Splitting the old ward into two means that the Quarrendon reference is inappropriate in that the Quarrendon estate is on the other side of the A41 and none of the new Ward is in Quarrendon nor do the local people consider themselves to be part of that estate.

BEE - Quarrendon No.3 has been proposed to be changed to **AAR** Aylesbury, Quarrendon/Haydon Hill 2 as it will need to merge with current Polling District AAO to match the Boundary Commission for England's final proposals for parliamentary constituencies. Polling station is Haydon Hill Community Centre, 10 Dickens Way, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP19 8SR

Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows:

We propose that the reference to Quarrendon is removed in the naming of this polling district. The Quarrendon estate is on the other side of the A41 and none of the new Ward is in Quarrendon nor do the local people consider themselves to be part of that estate.

AAS - Aylesbury Walton Court is renamed to **AAW** Aylesbury, Walton Court. The new Polling District boundaries to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Oxford Road Ward, Hawkslade Ward and Walton Court Ward for Aylesbury Town Council. Polling stations will be Walton Court Community Centre, Walton Court Shopping Centre, Hannon Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 8TJ
Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows:

Aylesbury Liberal Democrats support this proposed change.

ABH (NEW SPLIT) is being created as **ABY** Weston Turville, Aston Reach. This is to make sure the Polling District is set to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposals for Weston Turville Village Ward and Aston Reach Ward for Weston Turville Parish Council. The Polling station will be in Weston Turville Village Hall, School Approach, Main Street, Weston Turville, Bucks. HP22 5RW

Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows:

We suggest relocating the polling station to a closer venue instead of Weston Turville Village Hall. The hall is currently over a mile and a half away, and there are limited transportation options for voters. The Oakfield Scout Hut is the closest alternative, but both Bedgrove polling stations are even closer. This adjustment aligns with the upcoming change where the district will be part of the Aylesbury East unitary ward in the next election, making it a more logical choice.

BEC - Provis Wharf Aylesbury, Oakfield will be removed. The current Polling Districts **BEC** and **AAL** merge since they are both now within the same parliamentary constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place Oakfield Scout Hut, Oakfield Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP20 1L

Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows:

Aylesbury Liberal Democrats support this proposed change.

ABC - Stoke Mandeville Stoke Leys that is renamed to **ABV** Stoke Mandeville, Stoke Leys 1 and proposed polling station at Hawkslade Farm Community Centre, Orwell Drive, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 9YL

AND

ABD (NEW SPLIT) that will be creating **DCG** Stoke Mandeville, Stoke Leys 2 Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposals for Stoke Mandeville Village Ward and Stoke Leys Ward for Stoke Mandeville Parish Council which has a proposed New Polling Place as Stoke Mandeville Community Centre, Eskdale Road, Stoke Mandeville, HP22 5UJ

Aylesbury Liberal Democrats comments as follows:

Aylesbury Liberal Democrats propose consolidating the polling stations for these two districts into a single location, either at Hawkslade Farm Community Centre or Stoke Mandeville Community Centre. The Parish ward spans two constituencies, necessitating two polling districts. Currently, the polling stations are 2.4 miles apart. In the event that a voter mistakenly goes to the wrong station, such as when receiving a ride from a neighbour, having both polling stations at the same location would ensure they can still cast their vote.

Date	3 October 2023
Name	Councillor Lesley Clarke OBE
Polling District/Place	WD – Abbey No. 4
Comments	There may well be another location on Daws Hill Lane, that being the Community Centre. It is proposed that this should be open early next year. I wonder whether this could also be added to the Daws Hill location and would mean the school would not then have to close (Abbey View Primary Academy, Kennedy Avenue, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 1BX).

Date	5 December 2023
Name	Councillor Matt Knight
Polling District/Place	EBG Ryemead & Micklefield/Marsh & Micklefield 1, Unparished
Comments	<p>Just a few points on Micklefield and Ryemead polling stations.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It had been agreed ahead of the scheduled 2020 elections that the half of Micklefield closest to the A40 London Road would vote at the Hicks Farm Rise community room owned by Red Kite. In the event these elections were rescheduled and the community room not available in 2021 due to ongoing covid related restrictions. As this has been previously agreed I am not sure why it is not still part of the present proposals. 2. Micklefield historically has low turnout and it is notable it has always only had one polling station. The addition of Hicks Farm Rise would resolve this. 3. It would make sense for residents of Pimms Grove, Pimms Close, Cock Lane and Olympic Way to vote at Wrights Meadow Centre, as they need to drive past it to vote at Micklefield Community Centre.

Date	4 December 2023
Name	Councillor Julia Wassell
Polling District/Place	EBT Totteridge and Bowerdean 4 unparished EBS Totteridge and Bowerdean 3 unparished
Comments	<p>I write to inform you that I am responding to the consultation as follows, further to feedback received from 2021 elections, agent and the public subsequently.</p> <p>Code EBT Totteridge and Bowerdean 4 unparished.</p> <p>Proposal Totteridge Community Centre.</p> <p>Totteridge Community Centre is not in Bowerdean ward it is in Totteridge Road. It is not fit for purpose to cope with the level of traffic, political agents and supporters and arguments. The use of the rear of the premises has caused a lack of oversight and multiple allegations of electoral code breaches and continuous downright fraud allegations. I have been the councillor for the area since 1997 and since the use of this building I have been continually summoned there. No polling agents wish to attend there. Local residents and shops are grossly inconvenienced and shocked. I could go into a lot more detail but suffice to say the mayhem in recent elections caused in the road and on the pavement is unacceptable.</p>

Therefore I propose The Hive 1- 2 Arnison Avenue in the place of Totteridge Community Centre where people can walk downhill and there is a proper entrance and exit and marked parking bays. It is not a ' new polling place'.

Code EBS Totteridge and Bowerdean 3 'New Polling Place'. This is not new at all as it was used in 2021. This needs to be replaced by the tried and tested Hannah Ball School which is convenient for the large swathe of pensioners resident in lower Bowerdean. Residents who want to cast their vote do not want to walk up to the Hive again. They know Hannah Ball School as a polling station for a very long time. This will have the benefit of preventing the Hive becoming the new polling centre of mayhem that the Community Centre became.

In my view, an error was made in 2021 dropping Hannah Ball and pushing voters back up the hill towards Hive and Community Centre.

Acting Returning Officer Responses to the Consultation

Date	30 October 2023
Name	Nick Graham Acting Returning Officer for Aylesbury, Beaconsfield, Chesham and Amersham, Mid Buckinghamshire and Wycombe Parliamentary Constituencies
Polling District/Place	Those in the above Parliamentary Constituencies
Comments	
No objections to proposed polling districts or polling places.	

Date	30 October 2023
Name	Sharon Bridglalsingh Acting Returning Officer for Buckingham and Bletchley Parliamentary Constituencies
Polling District/Place	Those in the above Parliamentary Constituencies
Comments	
<p>I am writing to you to today regarding the proposals in your polling places and polling districts review.</p> <p>I have reviewed the proposals and note that there no recommendations to change any of the polling districts or polling places within the Buckinghamshire area of the proposed Buckingham and Bletchley constituency from what they are currently designated. As the Acting Returning Officer for the proposed constituency, I am supportive of the review's proposals for this area.</p>	

Proposed changes to polling districts and polling places that received positive support or no feedback during consultation

Current Designated Polling Place	Proposed Future Polling Place	Reason for Change	Current Ward (to May 2025)	Proposed Polling District	Current Polling District	Consultation Comments Received
The Oakfield Community Building, Siding Road, Kingsbrook HP22 7AY	Kingsbrook View Primary Academy, Kingsbrook Basin, Broughton, HP22 7EE	<p>The Community Centre is now too small for an electorate of over 2,000 which is forecast to continue to increase.</p> <p>Kingsbrook View Primary Academy has a partitioned main hall meaning that the Secondary Hall can be isolated from the rest of the school. This enables the school to remain open during polling day and avoids safeguarding risks. We have liaised with the school and carried out a site visit which confirms that the Secondary Hall provides good accessibility and facilities for voting. The school is located less than half a mile (5 minute walk) from the current polling place.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the <u>consultation comments received, the reason for change and the Committee’s previous comments that schools should not be used as a polling place unless there are no other suitable facilities (there are none in this area), it is recommended that Kingsbrook View Primary Academy be designated as the polling place.</u></p>	Aston Clinton & Bierton	No change	BDB	<p>Aylesbury Conservatives: Support proposal provided clear signage is used to facilitate parking.</p> <p>Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: no objections to proposal.</p>

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Room 5/6 Olympic Lodge, Stoke Mandeville Stadium HP21 9PP	Rivets Sports and Social Club, Whitehead Way, Aylesbury HP21 8AD	<p>There is risk that the Olympic Lodge is unavailable due to other bookings at the venue.</p> <p>Rivets Sports and Social Club was used for the May 2021 combined elections and provides good accessibility and facilities for voting. It is located within the polling district and less than a mile from the Olympic Lodge.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the reason for change and comments received during the consultation that Rivets Sports and Social Club be designated as the polling place.</p>	Aylesbury South East	No change	AAK	<p>Aylesbury Conservatives: Support proposal.</p> <p>Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: no objections to proposal.</p>

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Caravan at The Duck Decoy, c/o Manor Farm, Boarstall HP18 9UX	Oakley Village Hall, Oxford Road, Oakley, Aylesbury HP18 9RD	<p>A caravan is hired for polling day at high cost and is situated at the entrance to the Duck Decoy at Manor Farm. Polling district BBL has an electorate of 100.</p> <p>Oakley Village Hall is currently used for the neighbouring polling district BDV and provides good access and facilities to voters.</p> <p>The village hall is located around 2 miles (5 minute drive) from Manor Farm.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the reason for change it is recommended that Oakley Village Hall be designated as the polling place.</p>	Grendon Underwood	No change	BBL	None

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Caravan in layby at Chilton House, Chilton HP18 9LR	Cricket Pavilion, Ashfold School, Dorton HP18 9NG	<p>A caravan is hired for polling day at high cost and is situated in the lay by on the grounds of Chilton House Nursing Home. Polling district BBY has an electorate of just over 200.</p> <p>The Cricket Pavilion in Dorton is located in the neighbouring polling district BCE and provides good access and facilities for voting.</p> <p>The cricket pavilion is located 2 miles (5 minute drive) from the layby at Chilton House.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the reason for change it is recommended that Cricket Pavilion, Ashfold School be designated as the polling place.</p>	Grendon Underwood	No change	BBY	None

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Ewe Barn, Grove Farm, LU7 9DF	The Village Swan, Ivinghoe Aston LU7 9DP	<p>Ewe Barn is now residential accommodation. The Village Swan was used for the May 2021 combined elections and provides good accessibility and facilities for voting. It is located 1 mile from Ewe Barn and is within the polling district.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the reason for change, it is recommended that The Village Swan be designated as the polling place.</p>	Ivinghoe	No change	BDA	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support proposal

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Current Designated Polling Place	Proposed Future Polling Place	Reason for Change	Current Ward (to May 2025)	Proposed Polling District	Current Polling District	Consultation Comments Received
Stoke Mandeville Methodist Church, Eskdale Road HP22 5UJ	Stoke Mandeville Community Centre, Park Room, Eskdale Road, HP22 5UJ	<p>The Methodist Church is now used as a day centre so can no longer be the polling place. Stoke Mandeville Community Centre has previously been a polling place and provides good accessibility and facilities for voting. It is located within the polling district and is a two minute walk from the Methodist Church.</p> <p>During the initial consultation, it was proposed that Stoke Mandeville Community Centre be the polling place for the current polling district ABD and ABD new split. Consultation feedback suggested that there was no objection to Stoke Mandeville Community Centre being the designated polling place for polling district ABD, however an alternative polling place is proposed for ABD new split (see Appendix 4) having regard to feedback received during the consultation.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the reason for change that Stoke Mandeville Community Centre be designated as the polling place for polling district ABD only.</p>	Wendover Halton and Stoke Mandeville	<p>Polling district ABD split to align to the new parish and unitary ward boundaries.</p> <p>Ward changes: Stoke Leys ward and Stoke Mandeville Village ward for Stoke Mandeville Parish Council. Wendover, Halton and Stoke Mandeville ward and Aylesbury South East for Buckinghamshire Council.</p>	ABD	None for ABD. See Appendix 4 for comments received for ABD new split.

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Brushwood Junior School, Brushwood Road, Chesham HP5 3DW	Chesham Leisure Centre, White Hill Road HP5 1BB	<p>To avoid disruption to the school caused by polling day, Chesham Leisure Centre was the polling place for the May 2021 local elections. It provides good accessibility and facilities for voting. It is located within the neighbouring polling district CPB and is under a mile (15 minute walk) from the school.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the reason for change and the Committee’s previous comments that schools should not be used as a polling place unless there are no other suitable facilities, it is recommended that Chesham Leisure Centre be designated as the polling place.</p>	Chesham	No change	CP	None

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Ibstone School, Ibstone, High Wycombe, HP14 3XZ	Ibstone Cricket Club, Ibstone, High Wycombe, HP14 3XY	<p>We are seeking an alternative polling place to avoid disruption to learning caused by polling day.</p> <p>The Cricket Club was used for the 2021 combined elections and provides good accessibility and facilities for voting. It is located under a mile from the school within the polling district.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the reason for change and the Committee’s previous comments that schools should not be used as a polling place unless there are no other suitable facilities, it is recommended that Ibstone Cricket Club be designated as the polling place.</p>	Chiltern Villages	No change	RM	None

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The Disraeli School, The Pastures, High Wycombe HP13 5JS	Vibe Church, 207 The Pastures, High Wycombe HP13 5RR	<p>It is not feasible to keep the school open whilst it is used as a polling place on polling day. The school have requested that we find an alternative polling place to avoid disruption to teaching on polling day. The school car park is locked during the school day meaning there would be limited parking nearby.</p> <p>The Vibe Church is located within the polling district, less than half a mile from The Disraeli School (5 minute walk), and is already a polling place for polling district WI (Disraeli No. 1). It provides good accessibility and facilities for voting. The venue is large enough to accommodate the 5,000 electors from polling districts WI & WJ. There would be three polling stations at this polling place.</p> <p>The Family Centre at Disraeli School was also explored as an alternative polling place however access is shared with the school. Access is via electronically controlled locked gates and would require each elector to be manually let into the site which is not practical for voters.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the reason for change and the Committee’s previous comments that schools should not be used as a polling place unless there are no other suitable facilities, it is recommended that Vibe Church be designated as the polling place.</p>	Downley	WI & WJ split to align to new ward boundaries for the Downley Ward and Disraeli Ward. The WI & WJ new splits will merge to form one polling district. All of these polling district areas will vote at the Vibe Church.	WJ	None

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Royal British Legion, Common Road, Flackwell Heath, HP10 9NS	Flackwell Heath Community Centre, Straight Bit, Flackwell Heath, HP10 9LS	<p>The Royal British Legion has closed down. The Community Centre was used in May 2021 for the combined elections and offers good accessibility and facilities for voting.</p> <p>The Community Centre is located a 2 minute walk from where the Royal British Legion was.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the reason for change, it is recommended that Flackwell Heath Community Centre be designated as the polling place.</p>	Flackwell Heath, Little Marlow & Marlow South East	No change	BC	None

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<p>Wooburn Green Primary School, School Road, Wooburn Green</p>	<p>St Paul's Church Hall, Town Lane HP10 0PW</p>	<p>Wooburn Green Primary school have requested that we find an alternative polling place due to the disruption to learning caused by having the school designated as a polling place.</p> <p>We already use the St Paul's Church as a polling place for polling district BI (Wooburn Town) and it provides good accessibility and facilities for voting. It is located less than half a mile (2 minute walk) from Wooburn Green Primary School and is large enough to accommodate the required three polling stations for 4,000 electors. A site visit has confirmed that St Paul's Church Hall would provide good accessibility and facilities for voting for polling districts BH and BI.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> <u>Having regard to the reason for change and the Committee's previous comments that schools should not be used as a polling place unless there are no other suitable facilities, it is recommended that St Paul's Church Hall be designated as the polling place.</u></p>	<p>The Wooburns, Bourne End & Hedsor</p>	<p>No change</p>	<p>BH</p>	<p>None</p>

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Weston Turville Village Hall, School Approach, Main Street, Weston Turville, Bucks. HP22 5RW	Bedgrove Pavilion, Bedgrove Park, Ambleside, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 9TT	<p>The proposals in the consultation proposed that electors in polling districts ABH and ABH (new split) vote at Weston Turville Village Hall. Feedback during the consultation highlighted that Bedgrove Pavilion is located closer to the electors in ABH (new split).</p> <p>A site visit confirmed that Bedgrove Pavilion can accommodate the 781 extra electors from ABH (new split) and as an existing polling place provides good accessibility and facilities for voting.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the comments received during the consultation it is recommended that Bedgrove Pavilion be designated the polling place for polling district ABH (new split).</p>	Aston Clinton & Bierton	ABH split to match Local Government Boundary Commission’s final proposals for Weston Turville Village Ward and Aston Reach Ward for Weston Turville Parish Council.	ABH (new split)	<p>Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Bedgrove Pavillion is a closer venue for ABH (new split).</p> <p>Aylesbury Conservatives: Bedgrove Pavillion or Holiday Inn are closer venues for ABH (new split).</p>

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The Grange School, Wendover Way, Aylesbury HP21 7NH	Now: Foxhill Indoor Bowls Club, 96 Wendover Road, Aylesbury HP21 9NJ	<p>The school was unable to be used for the May 2021 combined elections due to Covid restrictions and availability. The Aylesbury Tennis and Squash Club was used as a polling place instead and has good accessibility and facilities for voting, however during the review consultation the club advised that they no longer wanted the venue to be used for polling.</p> <p>Alternative nearby venues were investigated. A site visit of Foxhill Indoor Bowls Club, which is next to the Tennis and Squash Club, confirmed the venue provides good accessibility and facilities for voting. Foxhill Indoor Bowls Club agreed that the venue may be used for polling. Please note that this is a different club/venue to Aylesbury Town Bowls Club, although it is next to Foxhill Indoor Bowls Club.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the <u>comments received during the consultation it is recommended that Foxhill Indoor Bowls Club be designated as the polling place.</u></p>	Aylesbury South East	No change	AAR	<p>Aylesbury Tennis and Squash Club: Do not want the venue to be used as a polling place.</p> <p>The Grange School: Do not want the venue to be used for voting due to disruption to exams. Please note, the Council has a legal right to use a school for voting if it receives funding from the Government. The School has also been used for polling in the past.</p> <p>Foxhill Indoor Bowls Club: Agreed could be used for polling and a site visit confirmed the venue provides good accessibility and facilities for voting.</p>

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Stoke Mandeville Methodist Church, Eskdale Road HP22 5UJ	Hawkslade Farm Community Centre, Orwell Drive, Aylesbury HP21 9YL	<p>The proposal in the consultation proposed that Stoke Mandeville Community Centre replace Stoke Mandeville Methodist Church as the polling place for the current polling district ABD and ABD (new split) since the Methodist Church is no longer available (see Appendix 3).</p> <p>Feedback received during the consultation suggested that due to boundary changes electors in the current polling districts ABD (new split) – Stoke Mandeville, Stoke Leys 2 and ABV – Stoke Mandeville, Stoke Leys 1 vote at the same polling place.</p> <p>A site visit confirmed that Hawkslade Farm Community Centre can accommodate the 535 electors from ABD (new split). It is already the polling place for ABA Stoke Mandeville (Hawkslade) and ABC Stoke Mandeville (Stoke Leys). It is considered to provide the most preferable accessibility and facilities for voting.</p> <p>Recommendation: <u>Having regard to the consultation comments received, the reason for change and the Committee’s previous comments that schools should not be used as a polling place unless there are no other suitable facilities, it is recommended that Hawkslade Farm Community Centre be designated as the polling place for current polling district ABD (new split).</u></p>	<p>Wendover, Halton & Stoke Mandeville until May 2025.</p> <p>Aylesbury South East from May 2025.</p>	<p>Polling district ABD split to align to the new parish and unitary ward boundaries.</p> <p>Ward changes: Stoke Leys ward and Stoke Mandeville Village ward for Stoke Mandeville Parish Council. Wendover, Halton and Stoke Mandeville ward and Aylesbury South East for Buckinghamshire Council.</p>	<p>ABD (new split) Stoke Mandeville (Stoke Leys 2)</p>	<p>Aylesbury Conservatives: New polling districts DCG & ABV to vote at same polling place. Hawkslade Community Centre & Stoke Mandeville Community Centre long walk. Booker Park School or Stoke Mandeville Community Centre suggested.</p> <p>Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: New polling districts DCG & ABV to vote at same polling place. Hawkslade Community Centre or Stoke Mandeville Community Centre suggested.</p>

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Prebendal Farm Community Centre, Somerville Way, Aylesbury, HP19 7QT	Southcourt Community Centre, Prebendal Avenue, Aylesbury, HP21 8LF	<p>Feedback during the consultation suggested that to improve accessibility polling district AAM be split into two to enable the part of the polling district South of Oxford Road and Ellen Road to vote at Southcourt Community Centre (a change to the current designation) and the part covering Prebendal Farm and Hartwell to vote at Prebendal Farm Community Centre (no change).</p> <p>A site visit confirmed that Southcourt Community Centre venue could accommodate the extra 1084 electors from polling district AAM. It is already used as a polling place, provides good accessibility and facilities for voting.</p> <p>Recommendation: <u>Having regard to the consultation comments received, it is recommended that polling district AAM be split into two with the part covering South of Oxford Road and Ellen Road designated to vote at Southcourt Community Centre (a change to the current designation) and the part covering Prebendal Farm and Hartwell designated to vote at Prebendal Farm Community Centre (no change).</u></p>	Aylesbury West	Polling district split in response to PDR consultation feedback	AAM	Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Split polling district. Prebendal Farm & Hartwell vote at Prebendal Farm Community Centre (existing designation). South of Oxford Road & Ellen Road vote at Southcourt Community Centre (new designation).

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Church House, High Street, Long Crendon, Aylesbury, HP18 9AL	Church House, High Street, Long Crendon, Aylesbury, HP18 9AL	<p>Long Crendon Baptist Church was used for the May 2021 combined elections because Church House was temporarily closed. The Baptist Church is a 2 minute walk from Church House.</p> <p>Recommendation: <u>During the consultation, Long Crendon Baptist Church advised that it was no longer possible to use the premises as a polling venue due to other regular bookings. It is therefore recommended that Church House, which is the current polling place, continues to be designated the polling place.</u></p>	Bernwood	No change	BDI	Long Crendon Baptist Church: Request that Church House (continue) be used for polling as Long Crendon Baptist Church is no longer available due to other regular bookings.

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Stoke Hammond Community Centre, Bragenham Side, Stoke Hammond, MK17 9DB	Stoke Hammond Community Centre, Bragenham Side, Stoke Hammond, MK17 9DB	<p>This isn't a proposed change, but is included in this appendix to record that during the consultation feedback was received requesting a separate polling place to Stoke Hammon Community Centre for the residents of the Newton Leys development within Stoke Hammond Parish.</p> <p>The Newton Leys development spans Milton Keynes City Council and Buckinghamshire Council areas. Most of the development is located within Milton Keynes City Council area. There are no other suitable venues within the polling district (including the part of Newton Leys development within Buckinghamshire) that are closer to the Newton Leys development since it is entirely residential accommodation. It is not possible to use a polling venue used by another Council area due to different administrative boundaries. No alternative polling venues were given in the consultation responses.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the <u>comments received during the consultation and that due to no other alternative polling venues being available, it is recommended that Stoke Hammond Community Centre continue to be designated as the polling place for polling district BEM.</u></p>	Great Brickhill	No change	BEM	<p>Stoke Hammond Parish Council: The South West part of Newton Leys development (on the edge of Milton Keynes, but within Stoke Hammond parish) has grown in size and is 2-3 miles apart from Stoke Hammond village. It is difficult to get from the Newton Leys development to Stoke Hammon Community Centre (polling place) without a vehicle and request a separate polling place for Newton Leys residents in Stoke Hammond Parish.</p> <p>One resident: as above</p>

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Berryfields Family Centre, Berryfields Primary School HP18 0FG	Roman Park Hall, Sir Henry Lee Crescent, HP18 0YT	<p>The electorate for polling district AAU has increased to 6,000. The Family Centre is now too small to use as a polling place for an electorate of that size. Three polling stations are now required at this polling place so an alternative must be sought to ensure the electors have the space to vote in secrecy.</p> <p>The newly built Roman Park Hall is located less than half a mile (5 minute walk) from Berryfields Family Centre. A site visit has been carried out which confirms that it provides good accessibility and facilities for voting.</p> <p>Recommendation: <u>Having regard to the consultation comments received, the reason for change and the Committee’s previous comments that schools should not be used as a polling place unless there are no other suitable facilities, it is recommended that Roman Park Hall be designated as the polling place.</u></p>	Stone & Waddesdon	No change	AAU	<p>Aylesbury Conservatives: Suggested using a local school that is more centrally located, closer to walk to and has more parking.</p> <p>Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Suggested using existing venue as majority of voters on opposite side of the road to Roman Park Hall.</p> <p><i>Please note, the existing venue is no longer large enough due to the increase in electorate.</i></p>

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The Memorial Hall, School Lane, Chalfont St Giles, HP8 4JJ	Youth Centre, 22 Narcot Lane, Chalfont St Giles, HP8 4DA	<p>During the consultation we received notification that The Memorial Hall is no longer available to use for polling because it is now regularly used by a school.</p> <p>Alternative nearby venues were investigated. Following a site visit, the Youth Centre was identified as a suitable alternative venue within the polling district. There is limited on site parking although that was also the case with The Memorial Hall. The Youth Centre is located just under a mile (17 minute walk) from The Memorial Hall.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the <u>comments received during the consultation it is recommended that the Youth Centre be designated as the polling place for polling district CK.</u></p>	Chalfont St Giles	No change	CK	The Memorial Hall: No longer available due to use by a school. The Guide Hut was suggested as an alternative polling venue, but is not available because they have regularly bookings.

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Abbey View Primary Academy, Kennedy Avenue, High Wycombe, HP11 1BX	Daws Hill Community Centre, Kennedy Avenue, High Wycombe	<p>During the consultation, Councillor Lesley Clarke OBE suggested using the new Community Centre to avoid disruption to the school.</p> <p>The Community Centre has only recently been built and we are in contact with the venue/builders to undertake a site visit to assess suitability for polling.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the comments received during the consultation and that subject to a site visit confirming suitability, that the Community Centre in Daws Hill be designated as the polling place for polling district WD - Abbey No.4. Until such time that the Community Centre is in operation or if the site visit determines that the Community Centre is not suitable as a polling place then Abbey View Primary School will remain the designated polling place.</p>	Abbey	No change	WD	Councillor Lesley Clarke OBE: Suggested the newly built Community Centre in Daws Hill be the new polling place to avoid disruption to Abbey View Primary School which is the current designated polling place.

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Church of Christ the Servant King, Sycamore Road, High Wycombe, Bucks, HP12 4TJ	Cressex Community Centre, 203 Cressex Road, High Wycombe, Bucks, HP12 4PZ	<p>During the consultation Church of the Christ Servant King advised that the venue would no longer be available as a polling place.</p> <p>Cressex Community Centre is located across the road to the Church and is already a designated polling place for polling district WF Booker and Cressex No 2. It has good accessibility and facilities for voting. A site visit confirmed that the Community Centre can accommodate the additional electorate from polling district WE Booker and Cressex No 1. Both polling districts could be merged since they share all current and future administrative boundaries.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> Having regard to the comments received during the consultation it is recommended that Cressex Community Centre be designated as the polling place for polling districts WE and WF and that they be merged into one polling district.</p>	Booker Cressex and Castlefield	WE and WF merged	WE	Church of the Christ Servant King: We are no longer able to offer our facilities as a polling station due to having contracts in place with regular hirers who use our hall on Thursdays.

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Hannah Ball School, Philip Road, High Wycombe, HP13 7JS	The Hive, 1-2 Arnison Avenue, High Wycombe, HP13 6DD	<p>We are seeking an alternative polling place to Hannah Ball School to avoid disruption to learning caused by polling day and to improve accessibility. The school has said it is no longer available for use as a polling place.</p> <p>The Hive was used as the polling place for polling district WH for the May 2021 combined elections and was found to offer good accessibility and facilities for voting. It is located within the polling district and less than half a mile (10 minute walk) from the school.</p> <p>Recommendation: Having regard to the <u>consultation comments received, the reason for change and the Committee’s previous comments that schools should not be used as a polling place unless there are no other suitable facilities, it is recommended that The Hive be designated as the polling place to replace Hannah Ball School. It is not feasible for The Hive to replace both Hannah Ball School and Totteridge Community Centre due to the electorate size.</u></p>	Totteridge & Bowerdean	No change	WH	<p>Councillor Julia Wassell: Suggested that The Hive be designated as a polling place for polling district WG to replace Totteridge Community Centre (not a proposal in the initial consultation) and that Hannah Ball School remain the polling place for polling district WH. <i>Please note, Hannah Ball School said they are no longer available to use as a polling place as was the case for the elections in May 2021.</i></p>

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Hicks Farm Rise Community Room, Hicks Farm Rise, High Wycombe, HP13 7SY	Hicks Farm Rise Community Room, Hicks Farm Rise, High Wycombe, HP13 7SY	<p>The initial proposal in the consultation was for polling district WK and WK1 to be merged because they share the same current and future boundaries and Micklefield Community Centre be the designated polling place. However, during the consultation, feedback from Councillor Matt Knight suggested that polling districts WK and WK1 remain separate so that electors from WK vote at Micklefield Community Centre and the electors from WK1 vote at Hicks Farm Rise Community Room (the arrangement prior to the May 2021 elections).</p> <p>Hicks Farm Rise Community Room was unavailable for the May 2021 elections but is now available once again. The venue has previously been a polling place and a site visit has confirmed that it continues to provides good accessibility and facilities for voting.</p> <p><u>Recommendation:</u> <u>Having regard to the comments received during the consultation it is recommended that Hicks Farm Rise Community Room be designated as the polling place for polling district WK1 (see related recommendations below).</u></p>	Ryemead & Micklefield	WK and WK1 to remain separate polling districts in light of consultation feedback.	WK1 Micklefield No. 1	Councillor Matt Knight: Hicks Farm Rise Community Room should be the designated polling place for the half of Micklefield closest to the A40 London Road (polling district WK1).

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Micklefield Community Centre, Micklefield Road, High Wycombe, HP13 7FY	Micklefield Community Centre, Micklefield Road, High Wycombe, HP13 7FY	<p>As above.</p> <p>Recommendation: Having regard to the <u>comments received during the consultation it is recommended that Micklefield Community Centre, Micklefield Road, High Wycombe, HP13 7FY be designated as the polling place for polling district WK Micklefield.</u></p>	Ryemead & Micklefield	As above	WK Micklefield	As above
Micklefield Community Centre, Micklefield Road, High Wycombe, HP13 7FY	Wrights Meadow Centre, Wrights Meadow Road, Wycombe Marsh, High Wycombe, HP11 1SQ	<p>As above.</p> <p>Councillor Matt Knight suggested during the consultation that part of WK1 (see consultation comments) vote at Wrights Meadow Centre because they would need to travel past it to get to their current polling place at Micklefield Community Centre.</p> <p>Wrights Meadow Centre is already a polling place for polling districts WO, WO new split and WO2. A site visit has confirmed that the venue could accommodate the additional 488 electors from WK1 (proposed split) and provides good accessibility and facilities for voting.</p> <p>Recommendation: Having regard to the <u>comments received during the consultation, it is recommended that polling district WK1 be split into two separate polling districts and that Wrights Meadow Centre be designated the polling place for WK1 proposed split (comprising of electors from Pimms Grove, Pimms Close, Cock Lane and Olympic Way). See related recommendations above.</u></p>	Ryemead & Micklefield	<p>WK and WK1 remain separate polling districts, rather than be merged.</p> <p>WK1 be split into two polling districts.</p>	WK1 Micklefield No. 1	Councillor Matt Knight: Suggested that residents of Pimms Grove, Pimms Close, Cock Lane and Olympic Way vote at Wrights Meadow Centre, as they need to drive past it to vote at Micklefield Community Centre.

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CURRENT POLLING DISTRICT CODE	Current Polling District Name	New Polling District Code (1 Feb 2024)	New Polling District Name (1 Feb 2024)	Change to Polling District	Proposed Polling Place (Change shown in bold)	PDR 2023 Consultation Feedback Summary
AA	AA - Bledlow	DAD	Bledlow cum Saunderton, Bledlow		Bledlow Village Hall, Lower Icknield Way, Bledlow, Princes Risborough, HP27 9JF	
AAA	AAA - Aylesbury Bedgrove No.1	AAC	Aylesbury, Bedgrove 1		Limes Avenue Baptist Church, Limes Avenue, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 7HE	
AAB	AAB - Aylesbury Bedgrove No.2	AAD	Aylesbury, Bedgrove 2		Bedgrove Pavilion, Bedgrove Park, Ambleside, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 9IT	
AAC	AAC - Aylesbury Central No.1	AAB	Aylesbury, Central 1		Walton Parish Hall, Walton Street, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 2DX	
AAD	AAD - Aylesbury Central No.2	AAP	Aylesbury, Central 2		Methodist Church Hall, Buckingham Street, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP20 2NQ	
AAL	AAL - Aylesbury Coppice Way	AAQ	Aylesbury, Coppice Way		Oakfield Scout Hut, Oakfield Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP20 1LL	
AAM	AAM - Aylesbury Elmhurst No.1	AAH	Aylesbury, Elmhurst 1		Alfred Rose Park Community Centre, Donham Lane, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP20 2EW	
AAG	AAG - Aylesbury Elmhurst No.2	AAI	Aylesbury, Elmhurst 2		St Johns Ambulance Training Centre, Tindal Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP20 1HR	
AAH	AAH - Aylesbury Gatehouse	AAJ	Aylesbury, Gatehouse		Haydon Abbey Pre-School and Nursery, Holman Street, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP19 9LJ	
AAI	AAI - Aylesbury Hawkshade	AAK	Aylesbury, Hawkshade	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Hawklade Ward for Aylesbury Town Council	Walton Court Community Centre, Walton Court Shopping Centre, Hanmon Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 8TJ	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support voting at Walton Court Community Centre Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Support voting at Walton Court Community Centre
AAJ	AAJ - Aylesbury Mandeville & Elm Farm No.1	AAU	Aylesbury, Southcourt 3	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Hawkshade Ward and Southcourt Ward for Aylesbury Town Council	Walton Court Community Centre, Walton Court Shopping Centre, Hanmon Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 8TJ	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support voting at Walton Court Community Centre Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Support voting at Walton Court Community Centre
AAU	AAU - Aylesbury Mandeville & Elm Farm No.1	AAL	Aylesbury, Mandeville & Elm Farm 1		William Harding School, Hazlehurst Drive, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 9TJ	
AAK	AAK - Aylesbury Mandeville & Elm Farm No.2	AAM	Aylesbury, Mandeville & Elm Farm 2		New Polling Place: Rivets Sports and Social Club, Whitehead Way, Aylesbury, HP21 8AD	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support change from Olympic Lodge to Rivets Sports & Social Club, Whitehead Way Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: No objections to moving from Olympic Lodge to Rivets Sports & Social Club
AAL	AAL - Aylesbury Oakfield	AAN	Aylesbury, Oakfield	Current Polling Districts BEC and AAL merge since they are both now within the same parliamentary constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place	Oakfield Scout Hut, Oakfield Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP20 1LL	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support merge of polling districts and polling place Oakfield Scout Hut Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Support merge of polling districts and polling place Oakfield Scout Hut Aylesbury Conservatives: Support use of Prebendal Farm Community Centre
AAM	AAM - Aylesbury Oxford Road		Aylesbury, Oxford Road 1 (Prebendal Farm & Hartwell)	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Walton Court for Aylesbury Town Council PD split in response to PDR consultation feedback	Prebendal Farm Community Centre, Somerville Way, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP19 7QJ	Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Split polling district. Prebendal Farm & Hartwell vote at Prebendal Farm Community Centre. South of Oxford Road & Elen Road vote at Southcourt Community Centre Aylesbury Conservatives: Support use of Prebendal Farm Community Centre
AAM	AAM - Aylesbury Oxford Road		Aylesbury, Oxford Road 2 (South of Oxford Road & Elen Road)	PD split in response to PDR consultation feedback	Consultation Change: Southcourt Community Centre, Prebendal Avenue, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 8LF (Previously: Prebendal Farm Community Centre)	Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Split polling district. Prebendal Farm & Hartwell vote at Prebendal Farm Community Centre. South of Oxford Road & Elen Road vote at Southcourt Community Centre
AAN	AAN - Aylesbury Quarrendon No 1	AAP	Aylesbury, Quarrendon		Quarrendon & Meadowcroft Community Centre, Bowlers Field, Meadowcroft Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP19 9HH	Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Remove reference to number 1 in polling district name Aylesbury Conservatives: Support merge of polling districts and polling place being Haydon Hill Community Centre
AAO	AAO - Aylesbury Quarrendon No.2	AAQ	Aylesbury, Haydon Hill 1	Merge with current Polling District BEE to match the Boundary Commission for England's final proposals for parliamentary constituencies	Haydon Hill Community Centre, 3D Dickens Way, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP19 8SR	Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Remove reference to Quarrendon in polling district name.
AAP	AAP - Aylesbury Southcourt No.1	AAQ	Aylesbury, Southcourt 1		Southcourt Community Centre, Prebendal Avenue, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 8LF	
AAQ	AAQ - Aylesbury Southcourt No.2	AAJ	Aylesbury, Southcourt 2		Church of the Good Shepherd, Church Square, Church Avenue, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 8NH	
AAR	AAR - Aylesbury Walton	AAV	Aylesbury, Walton	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Oxford Road Ward, Hawkshade Ward and Walton Court Ward for Aylesbury Town Council	Consultation Change: Foxhill Indoor Bowls Club, 96 Wendover Road, Aylesbury HP21 9NJ	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support change from The Grange School to Aylesbury Tennis & Squash Club. Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: No objections to moving from The Grange School to Aylesbury Tennis & Squash Club.
AAS	AAS - Aylesbury Walton Court	AAW	Aylesbury, Walton Court		Walton Court Community Centre, Walton Court Shopping Centre, Hanmon Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 8TJ	Aylesbury Conservatives: Supporting polling place Walton Court Community Centre Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Supporting polling place Walton Court Community Centre
AAT	AAT - Aston Clinton	RAA	Aston Clinton		The Anthony Hall, London Road, Aston Clinton, Bucks. HP22 5HG	
AAU	AAU - Berryfields	DAC	Berryfields		New Polling Place: Roman Park Hall, Sir Henry Lee Crescent, HP18 0YT	Aylesbury Conservatives: Suggested using a local school that is more centrally located, closer to walk to and have more parking. Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Suggested using existing venue as majority of voters on opposite side of the road to Roman Park Hall.
AAV	AAV - Buckland	ABA	Buckland		Buckland Village Hall, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP22 5HU	
AAW	AAW - Coldharbour	ABD	Coldharbour		Fairford Leys Community Centre, Hampden Square, Fairford Leys, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP19 7HT	
AAX	AAX - Drayton Beauchamp	ABG	Drayton Beauchamp		Buckland Village Hall, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP22 5HU	
AAY	AAY - Halton	DBG	Halton		Halton Village Hall, Old School Close, HP22 5NG	
AAZ	AAZ - Oldhams Meadow	AAV	Bierton, Oldhams Meadow		Jubilee Hall, Aylesbury Road, Berton, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP22 5DL	
AB	AB - Bledlow Ridge	DAE	Bledlow cum Saunderton, Bledlow Ridge		Bledlow Ridge Village Hall, Chinnor Road, Bledlow Ridge, High Wycombe, HP14 4AJ	
ABA	ABA - Stoke Mandeville - Hawkshade	ABT	Stoke Mandeville, Hawkshade		Hawklade Farm Community Centre, Orwell Drive, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 9YL	
ABB	ABB - Stoke Mandeville - Stoke Grange	ABV	Stoke Mandeville, Stoke Grange		William Harding School, Hazlehurst Drive, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 9TJ	Aylesbury Conservatives: DCG & ABV to vote at same polling place. Hawkshade Community Centre & Stoke Mandeville Community Centre long walk. Booker Park School or Stoke Mandeville Community Centre suggested. Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: DCG & ABV to vote at same polling place. Hawkshade Community Centre or Stoke Mandeville Community Centre suggested.
ABC	ABC - Stoke Mandeville - Stoke Leys	ABV	Stoke Mandeville, Stoke Leys 1		Hawklade Farm Community Centre, Orwell Drive, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 9YL	
ABD	ABD - Stoke Mandeville - Stoke Mandeville Village	DCH	Stoke Mandeville, Stoke Mandeville Village	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposals for Stoke Mandeville Village Ward and Stoke Leys Ward for Stoke Mandeville Parish Council	New Polling Place: Stoke Mandeville Community Centre, Eskdale Road, Stoke Mandeville, HP22 5UJ (Previously: Stoke Mandeville Methodist Church)	Aylesbury Conservatives: DCG & ABV to vote at same polling place. Hawkshade Community Centre & Stoke Mandeville Community Centre long walk. Booker Park School or Stoke Mandeville Community Centre suggested. Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: DCG & ABV to vote at same polling place. Hawkshade Community Centre or Stoke Mandeville Community Centre suggested.
ABD (NEW SPLIT)	ABD (NEW SPLIT)	DCG	Stoke Mandeville, Stoke Leys 2	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposals for Stoke Mandeville Village Ward and Stoke Leys Ward for Stoke Mandeville Parish Council	Consultation Change: Hawkshade Farm Community Centre, Orwell Drive, Aylesbury HP21 9YL (Previously: Stoke Mandeville Methodist Church)	
ABE	ABE - Watermead	ABW	Watermead		Watermead Village Hall, The Piazza, HP19 0FU	
ABF	ABF - Weedon No.2	ABX	Weedon 2	Current Polling Districts ABF and BEY merge since they will both be within the same ward/constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place	The School Room, 29/31 High Street, Weedon, HP22 4NW	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support polling districts merged and polling place The School Room
ABG	ABG - Wendover	DCP	Wendover		Wendover Memorial Hall, Wharf Road, HP22 6HF	
ABH	ABH - Weston Turville	ABZ	Weston Turville, Weston Turville Village	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposals for Weston Turville Village Ward and Aston Reach Ward for Weston Turville Parish Council	Weston Turville Village Hall, School Approach, Main Street, Weston Turville, Bucks. HP22 5RW	
ABH (NEW SPLIT)	ABH (NEW SPLIT)	ABY	Weston Turville, Aston Reach	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposals for Weston Turville Village Ward and Aston Reach Ward for Weston Turville Parish Council	Consultation Change: Bedgrove Pavilion, Bedgrove Park, Ambleside, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 9TT (Previously: Weston Turville Village Hall, School Approach, Main Street, Weston Turville, Bucks. HP22 5RW)	Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Relocate to Bedgrove Pavilion (closer venue). Aylesbury Conservatives: Relocate to Bedgrove Pavilion or Holiday Inn (closer venues).
AC	AC - Bradenham	DAH	Bradenham		Bradenham Cricket Club, The Green, Bradenham Woods Lane, Bradenham, HP14 4HD	
AD	AD - Saunderton	DAF	Bledlow cum Saunderton, Saunderton		The Golden Cross, Wycombe Road, Saunderton, HP14 4HU	
AE	AE - Naphill	DBI	Hughenden, Naphill & Walters Ash		Naphill Village Hall, Main Road, Naphill, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP14 4SX	
AF	AF - Hughenden Valley	DBJ	Hughenden, Hughenden Valley		Hughenden Valley Village Hall, Coombe Lane, Hughenden Valley, Bucks. HP14 4NX	
AG	AG - Great Kingshill	DBH	Hughenden, Great Kingshill		Great Kingshill Village Hall, New Road, Great Kingshill, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP15 6DW	
AH	AH - Great Kingshill (Widmer End)	DBK	Hughenden, Widmer End		Church of the Good Shepherds, Georges Hill, Widmer End, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP15 6BH	
AI	AI - Great and Little Hampden	DAY	Great & Little Hampden		Great Hampden Village Hall, Memorial Road, Great Hampden, Great Misenden, Bucks. HP16 8RF	
AJ	AJ - Lacey Green	DBO	Lacey Green, Lacey Green and Loosley Row		Lacey Green Village Hall, Main Road, Lacey Green, Bucks. HP27 0XJ	
AK	AK - Speen	DBE	Speen Village, Speen		Speen Village Hall, Studridge Lane, Speen, HP27 0SA	
AL	AL - Stokenchurch	DCI	Stokenchurch		Longburrow Hall, Park Lane, Stokenchurch, Bucks. HP14 3TG	
AM	AM - Beacons Bottom	EBI	Stokenchurch, Beacons Bottom		Studley Green Community Centre, Wycombe Road, Studley Green, Bucks. HP14 3UV	
AN	AN - Radnage	DCD	Radnage		Radnage Village Hall, Radnage Common Road, Radnage, Bucks. HP14 4DF	
BA	BA - Bourne End	BBL	Woodburn and Bourne End, Bourne End		Bourne End Community Centre, Wakeman Road, Bourne End, Bucks. SL8 5SX	
BB	BB - Hedsor	BAS	Hedsor		Bourne End Community Centre, Wakeman Road, Bourne End, Bucks. SL8 5SX	
BBA	BBA - Addington	MAA	Addington		Winslow Public Hall, Elmfields Gate, Winslow, MK18 3JA	
BBB	BBB - Adstock	MAB	Adstock		Adstock Village Hall, Church End, Adstock, MK18 2HY	
BBC	BBC - Akeley	MAC	Akeley		Akeley Village Hall, Church Hill, MK18 5HA	
BBD	BBD - Ashendon	DAA	Ashendon		Ashendon Village Hall, Main Street, HP18 0BH	
BBE	BBE - Aston Abbotts	AAA	Aston Abbotts		Aston Abbotts Village Hall, The Green, Cuddington Road, HP22 4LX	
BBF	BBF - Aston Sandford	DAB	Aston Sandford		Haddenham Village Hall, Banks Park, Banks Road, Haddenham, Bucks. HP21 8EE	
BBG	BBG - Barton Hartshorn	MAD	Barton Hartshorn		Tingewick Village Hall, Main Street, Tingewick, MK18 4NL	
BBH	BBH - Beachampton	MAE	Beachampton		Beachampton Village Hall, Main Street, MK19 6DX	
BBI	BBI - Biddlesden	MAF	Biddlesden		Westbury Village Hall, Playing Field Room, Westbury, Brackley, NN13 5LA	
BBJ	BBJ - Bierton	AAX	Bierton, Bierton		Jubilee Hall, Aylesbury Road, Berton, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP22 5DL	
BBK	BBK - Bishopstone	DCI	Stone Bishopstone & Hartwell 1		Bishopstone Village Hall, Moreton Lane, HP17 8SQ	
BBL	BBL - Boarstall	DAG	Boarstall		New Polling Place: Oakley Village Hall, Oxford Road, Oakley, Aylesbury, HP18 9RD	
BBM	BBM - Buckingham - Fishers Field	MAG	Buckingham, Fishers Field		Buckingham Community Centre, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham, MK18 1RP	
BBN	BBN - Buckingham - Highlands & Watchcroft	MAH	Buckingham, Highlands & Watchcroft		Maid's Moreton Village Hall, Main Street, Maid's Moreton, Buckingham, MK18 1QS	
BBO	BBO - Buckingham North	MAJ	Buckingham, North		Buckingham Community Centre, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham, MK18 1RP	

BBP	BBP - Buckingham Park	ABA	Buckingham Park		Buckingham Park Community Centre, Jubilee Square, HP19 9DZ	
BBQ	BBQ - Buckingham South	MAJ	Buckingham, South		Buckingham Youth Centre, London Road, Buckingham, MK18 1AS	
BBR	BBR - Brill	DAI	Brill		Brill Memorial Hall, Church Street, Brill, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP18 9RT	
BB5	BB5 - Broughton Hamlet	AAZ	Broughton Hamlet		Jubilee Hall, Aylesbury Road, Broughton, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP22 5DL	
BBT	BBT - Calvert Green	DAJ	Calvert Green		Calvert Green Community Centre, Cotswolds Way, Calvert, Buckingham, Bucks. MK18 2FJ	
BBU	BBU - Charndon	DAK	Charndon		Charndon Community Centre, Charndon Playing Fields, Steeple Claydon Road, Charndon, Bicester, Oxon. OX27 0BL	
BBV	BBV - Chearsley	DAN	Chearsley		Chearsley Village Hall, Winchendon Road, Chearsley, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP18 0DW	
BBW	BBW - Cheddington	ABC	Cheddington		Methodist School Room, The Green, Cheddington, Leighton Buzzard, Beds. LU7 0RU	
BBX	BBX - Chetwode	MAK	Chetwode		Tingewick Village Hall, Main Street, Tingewick, MK18 4NL	
BBY	BBY - Chilton	DAD	Chilton		New Polling Place: Crickes Pavilion, Ashford School, Dorton, HP18 9NG	
BBZ	BBZ - Creslow	ABE	Creslow		St John's Hall, White Horse Lane, Whitchurch, HP22 4JZ	
BC	BC - Flackwell Heath	BAH	Chepping Wycombe, Flackwell Heath		New Polling Place: Flackwell Heath Community Centre, Straight Bit, Flackwell Heath, HP10 9LS	
BCA	BCA - Cublington	ABF	Cublington		Biggs Pavilion, Orchard Ground, Stewley Road, Cublington, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 0LR	
BCB	BCB - Cuddington	DAR	Cuddington		Berrard Hall, Upper Church Street, Cuddington, HP18 0BP	
BCC	BCC - Dagnall	ABH	Edlesborough, Dagnall		All Saints Church, Kingshall Road, Dagnall, Bucks. HP4 1RL	
BCD	BCD - Dinton	DAS	Dinton with Ford & Upton	Current Polling Districts BCD and BCL merge since they are both now within the same ward/constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place	Dinton Village Hall, Upton Road, Dinton, HP17 8UQ	
BCE	BCE - Dorton	DAT	Dorton		Cricket Pavilion, Ashfold School, Dorton, Bucks. HP18 9NG	
BCF	BCF - Drayton Parslow	MAL	Drayton Parslow		Greensacre Hall (Carrington Room), Main Road, Drayton Parslow, MK17 0DQ	
BCG	BCG - Dorton	MAM	Dorton		Stewley Village Hall, High Street North, Stewley, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 0EW	
BCH	BCH - East Claydon	DAU	East Claydon		East & Botolph Claydon Village Hall, Botyl Road, Botolph Claydon, Bucks. MK18 2LR	
BCI	BCI - Edgcott	DAV	Edgcott		Edgcott Village Hall, Buckingham Road, Edgcott, Bucks. HP18 0TR	
BCJ	BCJ - Edlesborough	ALI	Edlesborough, Edlesborough		Edlesborough Memorial Hall, 69/71 High Street, Edlesborough, Dunstable. LU6 2HX	
BCK	BCK - Fleet Marston	DAX	Fleet Marston		Waddeson Methodist Hall, High Street, HP18 0UE	
BCL	BCL - Ford		Dinton with Ford & Upton	Current Polling Districts BCD and BCL merge since they are both now within the same ward/constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place	Dinton Village Hall, Upton Road, Dinton, HP17 8UQ	
BCM	BCM - Foscott	MAN	Foscott		Maid's Moreton Village Hall, Main Street, Maid's Morton, Buckingham, MK18 1QS	
BCN	BCN - Gawcott	MAO	Gawcott with Lenborough		Gawcott Village Hall, Buckingham Road, Gawcott, Buckingham, MK18 4JD	
BCO	BCO - Granborough	MAP	Granborough		Granborough Village Hall, Church Lane, Granborough, MK18 3NN	
BCP	BCP - Great Brickhill	MAQ	Great Brickhill		Great Brickhill Parish Hall, Horspond, Rotten Row, Great Brickhill, MK17 9BA	3 residents support use of Great Brickhill Parish Hall as polling place
BCQ	BCQ - Great Horwood	MAR	Great Horwood		Great Horwood Village Hall, High Street, Great Horwood, MK17 0QL	
BCR	BCR - Grendon Underwood	DRE	Grendon Underwood		Grendon Underwood Village Hall, Main Street, Grendon Underwood, Bucks. HP18 0SP	
BCS	BCS - Haddenham	DBP	Haddenham		Haddenham Village Hall, Banks Park, Banks Road, Haddenham, Bucks. HP17 8EE	
BCT	BCT - Hardwick	ABK	Hardwick		John Bridles Hall, Hardwick, HP22 4DZ	
BCU	BCU - Hillesden	MAS	Hillesden		All Saints Church, Church End, Hillesden, MK18 4DB	
BCV	BCV - Hoggeston	MAT	Hoggeston		Swanbourne Village Hall, 9 Mursley Road, Swanbourne, MK17 0SH	
BCW	BCW - Hogshaw	MAU	Hogshaw		North Marston Memorial Hall, High Street, North Marston, Buckingham, MK18 3QL	
BCX	BCX - Hulcott	ABL	Hulcott		Jubilee Hall, Aylesbury Road, Broughton, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP22 5DL	
BCY	BCY - Isford	DBL	Isford		Isford Village Hall, Bridge Road, Isford, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP18 9HW	
BCZ	BCZ - Ivinghoe	ABM	Ivinghoe, Ivinghoe		Ivinghoe Old School Community Hub, 2 High Street, Ivinghoe, Leighton Buzzard, Beds. LU7 9EX	
BD	BD - Well End	BAV	Little Marlow 1		Asoborbrook Hall, Marlow Road, Well End, SL8 5PL	
BDA	BDA - Ivinghoe Aston	ABN	Ivinghoe, Ivinghoe Aston		New Polling Place: The Village Swan, Ivinghoe Aston, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 9DP	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support change from Ewe Barn to The Village Swan Aylesbury Conservatives: Support change from Oakfield Community Building to Kingsbrook View Primary Academy Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: No objections to moving from Oakfield Community Building to Kingsbrook View Primary Academy
BDB	BDB - Kingsbrook	ABO	Kingsbrook		New Polling Place: Kingsbrook View Primary Academy, Kingsbrook Basin, Broughton, HP22 7EE	
BDC	BDC - Kingsey	DBM	Kingsey		Haddenham Village Hall, Banks Park, Banks Road, Haddenham, Bucks. HP17 8EE	
BDD	BDD - Kingwood	DBN	Kingwood		Grendon Underwood Village Hall, Main Street, Grendon Underwood, Bucks. HP18 0SP	
BDE	BDE - Leckhamstead	MAV	Leckhamstead		Leckhamstead Village Hall, Church End, Leckhamstead, Buckingham, MK18 5JU	
BDF	BDF - Lillingstone Dayrell with Luffield	MAW	Lillingstone Dayrell		Church Hall, Lillingstone Lovell, Buckingham, MK18 5BB	
BDG	BDG - Lillingstone Lovell	MAX	Lillingstone Lovell		Church Hall, Lillingstone Lovell, Buckingham, MK18 5BB	
BDH	BDH - Little Horwood	MAY	Little Horwood		Little Horwood Memorial Hall, 14 Mursley Road, Little Horwood, MK17 0PG	
BDI	BDI - Long Crendon	DBT	Long Crendon		Retain polling place: Church House, High Street, Long Crendon, Aylesbury, HP18 9AL	
BDJ	BDJ - Ludgershall	DWV	Ludgershall		Ludgershall Memorial Hall, High Street, Ludgershall, Bucks. HP18 9DQ	
BDK	BDK - Maid's Moreton	MAZ	Maid's Moreton		Maid's Moreton Village Hall, Main Street, Maid's Morton, Buckingham, MK18 1QS	
BDL	BDL - Marsh Gibbon	DRW	Marsh Gibbon		Marsh Gibbon Village Hall, Clements Lane, Marsh Gibbon, Bicester, Oxon. OX27 0HG	
BDM	BDM - Marsworth	ABW	Marsworth		Millennium Hall, Vicarage Road, Marsworth, Bucks. HP23 4LR	
BDN	BDN - Mentmore	ABQ	Mentmore		Mentmore Village Hall, The Meeting Room, The Green, Mentmore, Bucks. LU7 0QF	
BDO	BDO - Middle Claydon	DBX	Middle Claydon		East & Botolph Claydon Village Hall, Botyl Road, Botolph Claydon, Bucks. MK18 2LR	
BDP	BDP - Mursley	MBA	Mursley		Mursley Village Hall, Main Street, Mursley, MK17 0RT	
BDQ	BDQ - Nash	MBB	Nash		Nash Village Hall, Stratford Road, Nash, MK17 0LS	
BDR	BDR - Nether Winchendon	DBY	Nether Winchendon		St Nicholas Parish Church, Barrack Hill, Nether Winchendon, HP18 0DY	
BDS	BDS - Newton Longville	MBE	Newton Longville		Newton Longville Village Hall, 2 Paradise, Newton Longville, MK17 0AQ	
BDT	BDT - Northall	ABI	Edlesborough, Northall		Northall Village Hall, South End Lane, Northall, Dunstable, Beds. LU6 2JX	
BDU	BDU - North Marston	MBD	North Marston		North Marston Memorial Hall, High Street, North Marston, Buckingham, MK18 3QL	
BDV	BDV - Oakley	DBZ	Oakley		Oakley Village Hall, Oxford Road, Oakley, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP18 9RD	
BDW	BDW - Oving	MBE	Oving		Oving Village Hall, Bowling Alley, Oving, HP22 4HD	
BDX	BDX - Padbury	MBF	Padbury		Padbury Village Hall, Main Street, Padbury, MK18 2AY	
BDY	BDY - Pitchcott	MBG	Pitchcott		Oving Village Hall, Bowling Alley, Oving, HP22 4HD	
BDZ	BDZ - Pitstone	ABR	Pitstone		Pitstone Memorial Hall, The Millennium Room, Vicarage Road, Pitstone, Leighton Buzzard, Beds. LU7 9EY	
BE	BE - Little Marlow	BAZ	Little Marlow 2		The Pavilion, Little Marlow, Church Road, Little Marlow, Bucks. SL7 3RS	
BEA	BEA - Poundon	DCA	Poundon		Twyford Village Hall, The Square, Twyford, Bucks. MK18 4EE	
BEB	BEB - Preston Bissett	MBH	Preston Bissett		Old School, Main Street, Preston Bissett, MK18 4LN	
BEC	BEC - Previc-Wheat		Aylesbury-Oakfield	Current Polling Districts BEC and AAL merge since they are both now within the same parliamentary constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place	Oakfield Scout Hut, Oakfield Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. MK20 444	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support merge of polling districts and polling place Oakfield Scout Hut Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Support merge of polling districts and polling place Oakfield Scout Hut
BED	BED - Quanton	MBI	Quanton		Quanton Memorial Hall, 2 Station Road, Quanton, HP22 4BW	
BEE	BEE - Quarrendon No.3	AAR	Aylesbury, Haydon Hill 2	Merge with current Polling District AAO to match the Boundary Commission for England's final proposals for parliamentary constituencies	Haydon Hill Community Centre, 10 Dickens Way, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP19 8SR	Aylesbury Liberal Democrats: Remove reference to Quarrendon in polling district name.
BEF	BEF - Radcliffe	MRI	Radcliffe cum Chackmore		Radcliffe cum Chackmore Parish Hall, Main Street, Chackmore, Buckingham, MK18 5JE	
BEG	BEG - Shabbington	DCE	Shabbington		Shabbington Village Hall, Marsh Road, Shabbington, Bucks. HP18 9HF	
BEH	BEH - Shabstone	MBK	Shabstone		The Reading Room, Main Street, Shabstone, Buckingham, MK18 5JX	
BEI	BEI - Slapton	ABR	Slapton		Elizabeth Griffin Memorial Hall, Church Road, Slapton, Leighton Buzzard, Beds. LU7 9BX	
BEJ	BEJ - Soulbury	MBL	Soulbury		Soulbury Parish Hall, High Road, Soulbury, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 0BT	
BEK	BEK - Steeple Claydon	DCF	Steeple Claydon		Steeple Claydon Village Hall, 48 Queen Catherine Road, Steeple Claydon, Bucks. MK18 2PY	
BEL	BEL - Stewley	MBM	Stewley		Stewley Village Hall, High Street North, Stewley, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 0EW	
BEM	BEM - Stoke Hammond	MBN	Stoke Hammond		Stoke Hammond Community Centre, Bragenham Side, Stoke Hammond, MK17 9DB	Stoke Hammond Parish Council + 1 resident: Separate polling place for Newton Leys Development within Buckinghamshire. (No alternative venue closer to Newton Leys within the polling district/Buckinghamshire Council area)
BEN	BEN - Stone	DCK	Stone Bishopstone & Hartwell 2		Stone Village Hall, 50 Oxford Road, Stone, HP17 8PB	
BEQ	BEQ - Stone	MRO	Stone		Dudford Village Hall, Main Road, Dudford, Buckingham, MK18 5LD	
BEP	BEP - Swanbourne	MSP	Swanbourne		Swanbourne Village Hall, 9 Mursley Road, Swanbourne, MK17 0SH	
BEQ	BEQ - Thornborough	MRQ	Thornborough		Thornborough Village Hall, High Street, Thornborough, MK18 2DF	

BER	BER - Thornton	MBR	Thornton		Thornborough Village Hall, High Street, Thornborough, MK18 2DF	
BES	BES - Tingewick	MBS	Tingewick		Tingewick Village Hall, Main Street, Tingewick, MK18 4NL	
BET	BET - Turweston	MBT	Turweston		Turweston Village Hall, Main Street, Turweston, Brackley, NN13 5JU	
BEU	BEU - Twyford	DCM	Twyford		Twyford Village Hall, The Square, Twyford, Bucks. MK18 4EE	
BEV	BEV - Upper Winchendon	DCN	Upper Winchendon		St Nicholas Parish Church, Barrack Hill, Nether Winchendon, HP18 0DY	
BEW	BEW - Waddesdon	DCO	Waddesdon		Waddesdon Methodist Hall, High Street, HP18 0IE	
BEX	BEX - Water Stratford	MBU	Water Stratford		The Old School, Main Street, Water Stratford, Buckingham, MK18 5DU	
BEY	BEY - Weedon No.4		Weedon-4	Current Polling Districts ABF and BEY merge since they will both be within the same parliamentary constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place	The School Room, 20/21 High Street, Weedon, HP22 4BW	Aylesbury Conservatives: Support polling districts merged and polling place The School Room
BEZ	BEZ - Westbury	MBV	Westbury		Westbury Village Hall, Playing Field Road, Westbury, Brackley, NN13 5LA	
BF	BF - Marlow (South East No.1)	BBE	Marlow, Marlow South		Liston Hall, Chapel Street, Marlow, SL7 1DD	
BFA	BFA - Westcott	DCD	Westcott		Westcott Cricket Club, Ashendon Road, Westcott, HP18 0PB	
BFB	BFB - Whaddon	MBW	Whaddon		Jubilee Hall, Stock Lane, Whaddon, MK17 0LS	
BFC	BFC - Whitchurch	ACA	Whitchurch		St John's Hall, White Horse Lane, Whitchurch, HP22 4JZ	
BFD	BFD - Wing	ACB	Wing		Wing Village Hall, 73 Leighton Road, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 0NN	
BFE	BFE - Wingrave	ACC	Wingrave with Rowsham		Community Centre, Church Street, Wingrave, HP22 4PE	
BFF	BFF - Winslow	MBX	Winslow		Winslow Public Hall, Elmfield Gate, Winslow, MK18 3JA	
BFG	BFG - Woodham	DCR	Woodham		Grendon Underwood Village Hall, Main Street, Grendon Underwood, Bucks. HP18 0SP	
BFH	BFH - Worminghall	DCS	Worminghall		Worminghall Village Hall, The Avenue, Worminghall, Bucks. HP18 9LD	
BFI	BFI - Wotton Underwood	DCI	Wotton Underwood		Cricknet Pavilion, Ashford School, Dorton, Bucks. HP18 9NG	
BG	BG - Marlow (South East No.2)	BBF	Marlow, Marlow South East		Foxes Piece School, Newfield Road, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 1JW	
BH	BH - Wooburn Green	BBM	Wooburn and Bourne End, Wooburn Green		New Polling Place: St Pauls Church Hall, Town Lane, Wooburn Green. HP10 0PW	
BI	BI - Wooburn Town	BBN	Wooburn and Bourne End, Wooburn Town		St Pauls Church Hall, Town Lane, Wooburn Green. HP10 0PW	
BJ	BJ - Marlow (North & West No.1)	BBA	Marlow, Marlow North West 1		Spinfield School, Terrington Hill, Marlow. SL7 2RE	
BK	BK - Marlow (North & West No.2)	BBB	Marlow, Marlow North West 2		Marlow Football Club, Oak Tree Road, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 2ED	
BL	BL - Marlow (North & West No.3)	BBE	Marlow, Marlow North West 3		Marlow Youth & Community Centre, Wycombe Road, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 3JD	
BM	BM - Marlow (North & West No.4)	BBD	Marlow, Marlow North West 4		Court Garden Leisure Complex, Pound Lane, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 2AE	
CA	CA - Amersham Common	CAA	Amersham, Amersham Common		Amersham Common Village Hall, 24 White Lion Road, Amersham, Bucks. HP7 9JD	
CB	CB - Amersham On The Hill	CAC	Amersham, Amersham On The Hill		St Johns Methodist Church, 60 Woodside Road, Amersham, Bucks. HP7 6AJ	
CC	CC - Amersham Town	CAD	Amersham, Amersham Town		Royal British Legion Hall, 58 Whielden Street, Amersham, Bucks. HP7 0HU	
CC1	CC1 - Amersham Common West	CAB	Amersham, Amersham Common West		Royal British Legion Hall, 58 Whielden Street, Amersham, Bucks. HP7 0HU	
CD	CD - Ashridge Vale	CAQ	Chesham, Ashridge Vale		Wallington House, Wallington Road, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 2NZ	
CE	CE - Ashley Green	CAG	Chesham, Lowlands		Chesham Adult Learning Centre, Chisem Hills Academy, Chartridge Lane, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 2RG	
CEA	CEA - Whelpley Hill	CAG	Ashley Green, Ashley Green		Ashley Green Memorial Hall, Two Dells Lane, Ashley Green, Bucks. HP5 3BB	
CEB	CEB - Chenies	CAO	Chenies, Chenies		Whelpley Hill Coronation Hall, Grove Lane, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 3RL	
CEC	CEC - Ley Hill	CBH	Chenies, Ley Hill		Chenies Baptist Church, Chenies. WD3 6ED	
CEC	CEC - Ley Hill	CBH	Latimer & Ley Hill, Ley Hill		Ley Hill Memorial Hall, The Green, Ley Hill, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 3QR	
CED	CEC - Latimer	CBG	Latimer & Ley Hill, Latimer		Latimer Place, Church Lane, Latimer, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 3UG	
CF	CF - Austerwood	CAH	Chalfont St Peter, Austerwood North	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Austerwood North Ward and Austerwood South Ward for Chalfont St Peter Parish Council and Chalfont St Peter Ward and Gerrards Cross and Denham Ward for Buckinghamshire Council	All Saints Church Hall, Oval Way, Chalfont St Peter, Bucks. SL9 8QB	
CF (NEW SPLIT)	CF (NEW SPLIT)	CAI	Chalfont St Peter, Austerwood South	Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Austerwood North Ward and Austerwood South Ward for Chalfont St Peter Parish Council and Chalfont St Peter Ward and Gerrards Cross and Denham Ward for Buckinghamshire Council	All Saints Church Hall, Oval Way, Chalfont St Peter, Bucks. SL9 8QB	
CG	CG - Chartridge	DAM	Chartridge, Chartridge		Chartridge Village Hall, Chartridge Lane, Chartridge, Bucks. HP5 2TF	
CH	CH - Ballinger And South Heath	DIA	Chesham, Ballinger and South Heath		Ballerger War Memorial Hall, Village Road, Ballinger, Great Missenden, Bucks. HP16 9LQ	
CI	CI - Central	CAJ	Chalfont St Peter, Central		Chalfont St Peter Parish Church Hall, Church Lane, Chalfont St Peter, Gerrards Cross, Bucks. SL9 9BJ	
CJ	CJ - Chalfont Common	CAK	Chalfont St Peter, Chalfont Common		The Recreation Hall, Epilepsy Society, Chesham Lane, Chalfont St Peter, Bucks. SL9 0RJ	
CK	CK - Chalfont St Giles	CAM	Chalfont St Giles, Chalfont St Giles		Consolidation Garage, Youth Centre, 22 Marrow Lane, Chalfont St Giles, HP8 4BA (Previously The Memorial Hall, School Lane, Chalfont St Giles, Bucks. HP8 4UJ)	Memorial Hall no long available due to school use
CKA	CKA - Jordans	CAN	Chalfont St Giles, Jordans		Jordans Village Hall, Green West Road, Jordans, Bucks. HP9 2SY	
CKB	CKB - Little Chalfont South	CBF	Little Chalfont, Little Chalfont South		Little Chalfont Community Library, Cokes Lane, Little Chalfont, Amersham, Bucks. HP7 9QA	
CL	CL - Weedon Hill	CAL	Amersham, Weedon Hill		Hervees Bank Pavilion, Hervees Road, Amersham, Bucks. HP8 5BU	
CLA	CLA - Chesham Bois	CAP	Chesham Bois		St Leonards Parish Centre, Glebe Way, Chesham Bois, Bucks. HP6 5ND	
CM	CM - Bellingdon & Asheridge	DAL	Chartridge, Bellingdon & Asheridge		Bellingdon & Asheridge Village Hall, Chesham Road, Bellingdon, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 2XU	
CMA	CMA - Hawridge	DAP	Cholesbury Cum St Leonards 1		Cholesbury Village Hall, Cholesbury Common, Tring, Herts. HP23 6NE	
CMB	CMB - St Leonards	DAQ	Cholesbury Cum St Leonards 2		St Leonards Parish Hall, Jenkins Lane, St Leonards, Tring, Herts. HP23 6NW	
CMC	CMC - The Lee	DCL	The Lee		The Lee Parish Hall, Lee Clump Road, Lee Common, Great Missenden, Bucks. HP16 9NB	
CN	CN - Gold Hill	CAL	Chalfont St Peter, Gold Hill		Chalfont Leisure Centre, Nicol Road, Chalfont St Peter, Bucks. SL9 9L8	
CO	CO - Great Missenden	DBB	Great Missenden, Great Missenden		Great Missenden Memorial Centre, Link Road, Great Missenden, Bucks. HP16 9AE	
CP	CP - Hiltop	CAN	Chesham, Hiltop		New Polling Place: Chesham Leisure Centre, White Hill Road, HP5 1BB	
CPA	CPA - Townsend (No.1)	CAW	Chesham, Townsend 1		Chesham Methodist Church, Bellingdon Road, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 2HA	
CPB	CPB - Townsend (No.2)	CAX	Chesham, Townsend 2		The White Hill Centre, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 2AG	
CD	CD - Holmer Green	CBJ	Little Missenden, Holmer Green		The Church Centre, Featherbed Lane, Holmer Green, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP15 6XQ	
CR	CR - Little Chalfont	CBJ	Little Chalfont, Little Chalfont		Little Chalfont Village Hall, Cokes Lane, Little Chalfont, Bucks. HP7 9QB	
CR1	CR1 - Little Chalfont North East	CBJ	Little Chalfont, Little Chalfont North East		Little Chalfont Methodist Church, Chalfont Avenue, Little Chalfont, Bucks. HP6 6RD	
CS	CS - Little Kingshill & Little Missenden	DBR	Little Missenden, Little Kingshill & Little Missenden 1		Little Missenden Village Hall, Village Road, Little Missenden, Bucks. HP7 0RF	
CS SPLIT	CS SPLIT - Little Kingshill & Little Missenden	DBS	Little Missenden, Little Kingshill & Little Missenden 2		Little Kingshill Village Hall, Windsor Lane, Little Kingshill, Little Missenden, HP16 00Z	
CSB	CSB - Hyde Heath	DBD	Little Missenden, Hyde Heath		Hyde Heath Village Hall, Brent Lane, Hyde Heath, Amersham Bucks. HP5 5BN	
CT	CT - Newtown	CAT	Chesham, Newtown		Newtown Baptist Church, Berkhamstead Road, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 3AT	
CJ	CJ - Colehill	CBA	Colehill		Colehill Village Hall, Barracks Hill, Colehill, Amersham, Bucks. HP7 0LN	
CUA	CUA - Penn	CBM	Penn, Penn 1		Holy Trinity Church Hall, Church Road, Penn, Bucks. HP1D 8NY	
CUB	CUB - Knotty Green	CBN	Penn, Penn 2		Knotty Green Cricket Club Pavilion, Forty Green Road, Knotty Green, Beaconsfield, Bucks. HP9 1XL	
CUC	CUC - Penn Street & Winchmore Hill (No.1)	CBO	Penn, Penn Street & Winchmore Hill 1		Winchmore Hill Memorial Hall, The Common, Winchmore Hill, Amersham, Bucks. HP7 0PN	
CUD	CUD - Penn Street & Winchmore Hill (No.2)	CBP	Penn, Penn Street & Winchmore Hill 2		The Village Hall, Penn Street, Amersham, Bucks. HP7 0PX	
CV	CV - Prestwood & Heath End (No.1)	DBC	Great Missenden, Prestwood & Heath End 1		Prestwood Village Hall, 1 Wycombe Road, Prestwood, HP16 0NZ	
CVA	CVA - Prestwood & Heath End (No.2)	DBD	Great Missenden, Prestwood & Heath End 2		Little Kingshill Village Hall, Windsor Lane, Little Kingshill, Little Missenden, HP16 00Z	
CW	CW - Ridgeway	CAU	Chesham, Ridgeway		Hope Church, Upper Belmont Road, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 2DB	
CX	CX - Seer Green	CBQ	Seer Green		Seer Green Baptist Church, Wood Pond Close, Seer Green, Bucks. HP9 2XG	
CY	CY - St Mary's	CAV	Chesham, St Mary's		Chesham Town Hall, Baines Walk, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 1DS	
CZA	CZA - Waterside	CAZ	Chesham, Waterside		Christ Church Hall, Waterside, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 1PT	
CZ	CZ - Vale	CAY	Chesham, Vale		Newtown Baptist Church, Berkhamstead Road, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 3AT	
KA	KA - Ellesborough	DAW	Ellesborough, Unwarded		Ellesborough Village Hall, Ellesborough Road, Butlers Cross, HP17 0XA	
KB	KB - Great & Little Kimble-Cum-Marsh	DAZ	Great & Little Kimble-Cum-Marsh		Kimble Stewart Hall, Station Road, Little Kimble, HP17 0XN	
KC	KC - Longwick	DBU	Longwick-Cum-Ilfers		Longwick Village Hall, The Green, Thame Road, Longwick, HP27 9YV	
KD	KD - Monks Risborough	DCB	Princes Risborough Town 1		White Cross Hall, Aylesbury Road, Monks Risborough, HP27 0IT	
KE	KE - Princes Risborough	DCC	Princes Risborough Town 2		Princes Risborough Community Centre, Stratton Road, Princes Risborough, HP27 9AX	
RA	RA - Lane End	EBA	Lane End		Lane End Community Centre, Edmonds Road, Lane End, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP14 3EJ	

RB	RB - Piddington and Wheeler End	EBE	Piddington and Wheeler End	Piddington Village Hall, King Street, Piddington, HP14 8BT
RC	RC - West Wycombe	EWB	West Wycombe	West Wycombe Village Hall, High Street, West Wycombe, Bucks. HP14 3AB
RD	RD - Downley	EAP	Downley 1	Downley Community Centre, School Close, Downley, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 5TR
RE	RE - Plover Hill	EAP	Downley 2	St James Church Hall, Plover Hill, Downley, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 5NB
RF	RF - Great Marlow (Booker)	EAW	Great Marlow 2	Marlow Bottom Village Hall, Marlow Bottom, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 2NA
RG	RG - Marlow Bottom	EBB	Marlow Bottom	Marlow Bottom Village Hall, Marlow Bottom, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 3NA
RH	RH - Medmenham (Danesfield)	EBC	Medmenham, Danesfield	Medmenham Village Hall, Henley Road, Medmenham, Bucks. SL7 2HE
RI	RI - Bovingdon Green	EAV	Great Marlow 1	Bovingdon Green Village Hall, Frieth Road, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 2JQ
RI	RI - Great Marlow			Current Polling Districts RI and RJ merge since they will both be within the same ward/parliamentary constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place
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RI	RI - Hazlemere (North)	CEB	Hazlemere, Hazlemere North	Bovingdon Green Village Hall, Frieth Road, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 2JQ Cedar Barn, Barn Lane, Hazlemere, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP15 7QD
RL	RL - Hazlemere (South)	CBF	Hazlemere, Hazlemere South	Hazlemere Community Centre, Rose Avenue, Hazlemere, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP15 7UB
RM	RM - Istone	EAX	Istone	New Polling Place: Istone Cricket Club, Istone, High Wycombe, HP14 3XY
RN	RN - Hambleton (North)	EAN	Hambleton, Hambleton North	Freeth Village Hall, Main Road, Frieth, Henley on Thames, RG9 6RF
RO	RO - Hambleton (South)	EAY	Hambleton, Hambleton South	Hambleton Village Hall, Hambleton, Henley on Thames, RG9 6RF
RP	RP - Fawley	EALU	Fawley	Fawley Village Hall, Fawley Green, Dobsons Lane, Fawley, RG9 6AA
RS	RS - Turville	EBU	Turville	Turville Village Hall, Northend, Henley on Thames, RG9 6UJ
RR	RR - Medmenham (Medmenham Village)	EBD	Medmenham, Medmenham Village	Medmenham Village Hall, Henley Road, Medmenham, Bucks. SL7 2HE
RS	RS - Loudwater	EAN	Chepping Wycombe, Loudwater	The Loudwater Centre, Birfield Road, Loudwater, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP10 9TW
RT	RT - Tyers Green	EAD	Chepping Wycombe, Tyers Green	Tyers Green Village Hall, Church Road, Tyers Green, Bucks. HP10 8LN
SA	SA - Beaconsfield North	BAB	Baconsfield, Beaconsfield North	St Teresa's Parish Centre, 40a Warwick Road, Beaconsfield, HP9 2PL
SB	SB - Beaconsfield South East	BAC	Baconsfield, Beaconsfield South East	Beaconsfield Guide HQ, Malthouse Square, Beaconsfield, HP9 2LE
SB	SB - Beaconsfield Central	BAA	Baconsfield, Beaconsfield Central	The Curzon Centre, 43 Maxwell Road, Beaconsfield, HP9 3KG
SC	SC - Beaconsfield West	BAO	Baconsfield, Beaconsfield West	The Beaconsfield, Hobspur Way, Beaconsfield, HP9 3JH
SD	SD - Burnham Beeches	BAE	Burnham, Burnham Beeches	Burnham Park Hall, Windsor Lane, Burnham, SL1 7HR
SDA	SDA - Burnham Church	BAF	Burnham, Burnham Church	Burnham Park Hall, Windsor Lane, Burnham, SL1 7HR
SEB	SEB - Burnham Lent Rise	BAG	Burnham, Burnham Lent Rise	Burnham Methodist Church, Eastfield Road, Burnham, SL1 7NZ
SED	SED - Dorney	BAN	Dorney	Dorney Village Hall, Harcourt Close, Dorney Reach, SL6 0DY
SET	SET - Taplow	BBH	Taplow	Taplow Village Centre, High Street, Taplow, SL6 0EX
SFC	SFC - Farnham Royal Central	BAP	Farnham Royal, Farnham Royal South 1	Farnham Royal Village Hall, Farnham Lane, Farnham Royal, SL2 3AX
SFH	SFH - Hedgerley	BAR	Hedgerley	Hedgerley Memorial Hall, Kain Lane, Hedgerley, SL2 3JU
SFN	SFN - Farnham Royal North	BAO	Farnham Royal, Farnham Royal North	Farnham Common Village Hall, Victoria Road, Farnham Common, SL2 3NL
SFS	SFS - Farnham Royal South			Current Polling Districts SFC and SFS merge since they will both be within the same ward/parliamentary constituency boundaries and have the same Polling Place
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SGE	SGE - Gerrards Cross East	CEB	Gerrards Cross, Gerrards Cross East	Farnham Royal Village Hall, Farnham Lane, Farnham Royal, SL2 3AX
SGN	SGN - Gerrards Cross North	CEC	Gerrards Cross, Gerrards Cross North	The St James Centre, Oxford Road, Gerrards Cross, Bucks. SL9 7DJ
SGS	SGS - Gerrards Cross South	CEB	Gerrards Cross, Gerrards Cross South	Girl Guide Headquarters, Station Road, Gerrards Cross, Bucks. SL9 8EL
SIR	SIR - Iver Richings Park	BAU	Iver, Iver Village and Richings Park 1	The St James Centre, Oxford Road, Gerrards Cross, Bucks. SL9 7DJ
SIS	SIS - Shredding Green	BAW	Iver, Shredding Green	St Leonards Church Hall, St Leonards Walk, Richings Park, SL0 9DD
SIT	SIT - The Orchards	BBJ	Wexham, The Orchards	Iver Village Hall, High Street, Iver, SL0 9NW
SIV	SIV - Iver Village	BAV	Iver, Iver Village and Richings Park 2	The Orchards Residential Park, Trenches Lane, SL3 6QD
SI	SI - Denham South (No.1)	BAI	Denham 1	Iver Village Hall, High Street, Iver, SL0 9NW
SIA	SIA - Denham South (No.2)	BAJ	Denham 2	Denham Village Memorial Hall, Village Road, Denham, UB9 5BN
SIHD	SIHD - Denham South (No.3)	BAK	Denham 3	St Francis New Denham & Willowbank Community Centre, Oxford Road, Denham, UB9 4DW
SK	SK - Denham North	BAK	Denham 4	Higher Denham Community Centre, Lower Road, Higher Denham, UB9 5EA
SKA	SKA - Denham South West	BAM	Denham 5	St Marks Hall, Green Ties Lane, Denham, UB9 5HT
SS	SS - Stoke Poges	BBG	Stoke Poges	Denham Village Memorial Hall, Village Road, Denham, UB9 5BN
SV	SV - Iver Heath	BAI	Iver, Iver Heath	Stoke Poges Village Centre, Rogers Lane, Stoke Poges, SL2 4JF
SWW	SWW - Wood Lane	BAX	Iver, Wood Lane	Iver Heath Village Hall, St Margaret's Close, Iver Heath, SL0 0DA
SWF	SWF - Fulmer	BAQ	Fulmer	Iver Heath Village Hall, St Margaret's Close, Iver Heath, SL0 0DA
SWG	SWG - George Green and Middle Green	BBI	Wexham, George Green and Middle Green	Fulmer Village Hall, Windmill Road, Fulmer, SL3 6HN
SWS	SWS - Wexham Street	BBK	Wexham, Wexham Street	Harvey Memorial Hall, George Green Road, Wexham, SL3 6BJ
WA	WA - Abbey No.1	EAA	Abbey 1, Unparished	St Marys Church Hall, Church Lane, Wexham, UB9 5HT
WA (NEW SPLIT)	WA (NEW SPLIT)	EAF	Abbey/Booker & Cressex 1, Unparished	Kite Ridge School, Venny Avenue, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP12 3NE
WA2	WA2 - Abbey No.1	EAM	Abbey 2, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WA (new split) & WF2 merge since they will both be within the same ward boundaries and have the same polling place
WB	WB - Abbey No.2	EAB	Abbey 2, Unparished	Kite Ridge School, Venny Avenue, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP12 3NE
WB (NEW SPLIT)	WB (NEW SPLIT)	EAG	Abbey/Castlefield & Oakridge 1, Unparished	Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 28A
WC	WC - Abbey No.3	EAC	Abbey 3, Unparished	Oakridge School, Oakridge Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2FN
WC (NEW SPLIT)	WC (NEW SPLIT)	EAH	Abbey/Castlefield & Oakridge 2, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WI & WC (new split) to merge in May 2025. The electors in current Polling District WC new split will then vote at Green Street Community Centre rather than Wycombe Arts Centre. The reason for this change is due to Buckinghamshire Council ward boundary changes and to avoid ballot papers for two different wards being issued in the same polling place
WD	WD - Abbey No.4	EAD	Abbey 4, Unparished	Unit May 2025: Wycombe Arts Centre, Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2PL From May 2025: Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 28A
WE	WE - Booker & Cressex No.1	EAI	Booker/Cressex & Castlefield/Booker & Cressex, Unparished	Abbey View Primary Academy, Kennedy Avenue, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 18X OR Consultation Change: Daws Hill Community Centre, Daws Hill Lane (pending building worked being completed and satisfactory site visit)
WE2	WE2 - Booker & Cressex No.2	EAI	Booker/Cressex & Castlefield/Booker & Cressex, Unparished	Church of the Christ Servant King, No longer available as a polling place
WF	WF - Booker & Cressex No.2	EAI	Booker/Cressex & Castlefield/Booker & Cressex, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WA (new split) & WF2 merge since they will both be within the same ward boundaries and have the same polling place
WF2	WF2 - Booker & Cressex No.2	EAI	Booker/Cressex & Castlefield/Booker & Cressex, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WA (new split) & WF2 merge since they will both be within the same ward boundaries and have the same polling place
WF2	WF2 - Booker & Cressex No.2	EAI	Booker/Cressex & Castlefield/Booker & Cressex, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WA (new split) & WF2 merge since they will both be within the same ward boundaries and have the same polling place
WG	WG - Bowerdean No.1	EBT	Totteridge & Bowerdean 4, Unparished	Unit May 2025: Wycombe Arts Centre, Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2PL From May 2025: Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 28A
WG2	WG2 - Bowerdean No.2	EBE	Totteridge & Bowerdean 3, Unparished	Unit May 2025: Wycombe Arts Centre, Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2PL From May 2025: Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 28A
WH	WH - Bowerdean No.2	EBE	Totteridge & Bowerdean 3, Unparished	Unit May 2025: Wycombe Arts Centre, Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2PL From May 2025: Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 28A
WH2	WH2 - Bowerdean No.2	EBE	Totteridge & Bowerdean 3, Unparished	Unit May 2025: Wycombe Arts Centre, Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2PL From May 2025: Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 28A
WI	WI - Disraeli No.1	EAT	Downley/Disraeli 2, Unparished	Unit May 2025: Wycombe Arts Centre, Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2PL From May 2025: Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 28A
WI (NEW SPLIT)	WI (NEW SPLIT)	EAQ	Downley 1, Unparished	Unit May 2025: Wycombe Arts Centre, Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2PL From May 2025: Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 28A
WI	WI - Disraeli No.2	EAS	Downley/Disraeli 1, Unparished	Unit May 2025: Wycombe Arts Centre, Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2PL From May 2025: Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 28A

				<p>Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Downley Ward and Dorsell Ward for Buckinghamshire Council</p> <p>The elections in current Polling District WJ new split will vote at Vibe Church rather than Dorsell School.</p>		
WJ (NEW SPLIT)	WJ (NEW SPLIT)		Downley 2, Unparished		New Polling Place: Vibe Church, 207 The Pastures, High Wycombe, HP13 5RR	
WK	WK - Micklefield	EBG	Ryemead & Micklefield/Marsh & Micklefield 1, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WK and WK1 merge since they will both be within the same ward boundaries and have the same Polling Place	Micklefield Community Centre, Micklefield Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 7FY	Clr Matt Knight: WK1 vote at Hicks Farm Rise Common Room. WK vote at Micklefield Community Centre. Electors in Pimms Grove, Cock Lane and Olympic Way to vote at Wrights Meadow Centre.
WK1	WK1 - Micklefield No.1		Ryemead & Micklefield/Marsh & Micklefield 2, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WK and WK1 merge since they will both be within the same ward boundaries and have the same Polling Place		Clr Matt Knight: WK1 vote at Hicks Farm Rise Common Room. WK vote at Micklefield Community Centre. Electors in Pimms Grove, Cock Lane and Olympic Way to vote at Wrights Meadow Centre.
WK1	WK1 - Micklefield No.1		Ryemead & Micklefield/Marsh & Micklefield 3, Unparished (Pimms Grove, Cock Lane and Olympic Way)	Current Polling Districts WK and WK1 merge since they will both be within the same ward boundaries and have the same Polling Place		Clr Matt Knight: WK1 vote at Hicks Farm Rise Common Room. WK vote at Micklefield Community Centre. Electors in Pimms Grove, Cock Lane and Olympic Way to vote at Wrights Meadow Centre.
WL	WL - Oakridge & Castlefield No.1	EAK	Booker Cressex & Castlefield/Castlefield & Oakridge 1, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WL & WC (new split) to merge in May 2025 when they will both be within the same ward boundaries	Green Street Community Centre, Desborough Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 2RA	
WM	WM - Oakridge & Castlefield No.2	EAL	Booker Cressex & Castlefield/Castlefield & Oakridge 2, Unparished		Castlefield Community Centre, Rutland Avenue, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP12 3LL	
WN	WN (NEW SPLIT)	EBI	Ryemead & Micklefield/Marsh & Micklefield, Unparished	<p>Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Abbey Ward and Marsh and Micklefield Ward for Buckinghamshire Council</p> <p>Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Abbey Ward and Marsh and Micklefield Ward for Buckinghamshire Council</p>	Sea Cadets Hall, Chestnut Avenue, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 1DI	
WN (NEW SPLIT)	WN - Ryemead No.1	EBF	Ryemead & Micklefield/Abbey, Unparished	<p>Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Abbey Ward and Marsh and Micklefield Ward for Buckinghamshire Council</p> <p>Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Abbey Ward and Marsh and Micklefield Ward for Buckinghamshire Council</p>	Sea Cadets Hall, Chestnut Avenue, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 1DI	
WO	WO - Ryemead No.2	EBH	Ryemead & Micklefield/Marsh & Micklefield 3, Unparished	<p>Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Abbey Ward and Marsh and Micklefield Ward for Buckinghamshire Council</p> <p>Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Abbey Ward and Marsh and Micklefield Ward for Buckinghamshire Council</p>	Wrights Meadow Centre, Wrights Meadow Road, Wycombe Marsh, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 1SQ	
WO (NEW SPLIT)	WO (NEW SPLIT)	EAE	Abbey 5, Unparished		Wrights Meadow Centre, Wrights Meadow Road, Wycombe Marsh, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 1SQ	
WO2	WO2 - Ryemead No.2	EBV	Fyers Green & Loudwater/Marsh & Micklefield, Unparished		Wrights Meadow Centre, Wrights Meadow Road, Wycombe Marsh, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP11 1SQ	
WP	WP - Sands No.1	EBY	West Wycombe/Sands 1, Unparished		Millbrook School, Mill End Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP12 4BA	
WQ	WQ - Sands No.2	ECA	West Wycombe/Sands 2, Unparished		Sands Village Hall, Lane End Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP12 4BF	
WR	WR - Sands No.3	EBZ	West Wycombe/Sands 3, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WR new split and WE2 merge since they will both be within the same ward boundaries and have the same Polling Place	Our Lady of Grace Church, Squirrel Lane, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP12 4RY	
WR (New SPLIT)	WR (New SPLIT)	EBX	West Wycombe/Booker & Cressex 2, Unparished		Our Lady of Grace Church, Squirrel Lane, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP12 4RY	
WS	WS - Terriers & Amersham Hill No.1	EBK	Terriers & Amersham Hill 1, Unparished		Wycombe Museum, Priory Avenue, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 6PX	
WT	WT - Terriers & Amersham Hill No.2	EBL	Terriers & Amersham Hill 2, Unparished	Current Polling Districts WG2 and WU merge since they will both be within the same ward boundaries and have the same Polling Place	Highworth County Combined School, Highworth Close, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 7PH	
WU	WU - Terriers & Amersham Hill No.3	EBM	Terriers & Amersham Hill 3, Unparished	<p>Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Hazlemere Ward and Terriers and Amersham Hill Ward for Buckinghamshire Council</p> <p>Polling District to match the Local Government Boundary Commission's final proposal for Hazlemere Ward and Terriers and Amersham Hill Ward for Buckinghamshire Council</p>	St Francis of Assisi Church, Amersham Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 5AB	
WU (NEW SPLIT)	WU (NEW SPLIT)	EBP	Terriers & Amersham Hill/Hazlemere, Unparished		St Francis of Assisi Church, Amersham Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 5AB	
WV	WV - Terriers & Amersham Hill No.4	EBN	Terriers & Amersham Hill 4, Unparished		Parsonage Close Common Room, Parsonage Close, Duke Street, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 6DU	
WW	WW - Totteridge No.1	EBQ	Totteridge & Bowerdean 1, Unparished		Kings Wood School, Hollis Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 7UN	
WX	WX - Totteridge No.2	EBR	Totteridge & Bowerdean 2, Unparished		St Andrews Church, Hatters Lane, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 7NU	

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Report to Audit & Governance Committee and Standards & General Purposes Committee

Date:	17 & 18 January 2024
Title:	Preparations for 2025 Council – Constitutional Arrangements
Contact officer:	Nick Graham/Sarah Ashmead
Recommendations:	To agree to establish a cross party Member task and finish group to bring forward proposals for changes to the Constitution for 2025.

1. Background

- 1.1 In May 2025, the number of Buckinghamshire councillors will reduce from the current 147 to 97, as a result of the review by the Local Government Boundary Commission. This change will have various implications for the way the Council organises itself. With fewer councillors and a revised geography of representation, the Council will want to adopt governance arrangements that are sustainable and effective; these arrangements will then need to be reflected in a revised Constitution.
- 1.2 Tasks to be undertaken in preparation for 2025 will need to include:
- Review committee structures and size
 - Consider any further changes to the constitution which may be required as a direct result of the reduction in the number of members.
- 1.3 In addition, the Council will need to commission an Independent Remuneration Panel to conduct a review of member allowances, with a view to recommending a new scheme of allowances to Council for 2025.

2. Proposal

- 2.1 It is proposed that a 2025 Constitution Task and Finish group is established on a cross party basis to take a lead role in formulating changes to the constitution for consideration by the two Committees. Membership of the 2025 Constitution Task

and Finish Group could comprise the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Standards and General Purposes Committee and the Audit and Governance Committee, the Leaders of the Opposition Groups and one of the Deputy Leaders of the Council.

- 2.2 Any proposals developed by the Task and Finish group to amend the constitution will need to be considered by both the Standards and General Purposes Committee and the Audit and Governance Committee, with the recommendations then submitted to Full Council. Draft Terms of Reference are attached at Appendix 1.

3. Legal and financial implications

- 3.1 The financial savings linked to the reduction in the numbers of councillors will be reflected in the MTFP for 2025/26.

4. Next steps and review

- 4.1 Subject to the agreement of the committees, it is proposed that the 2025 Constitution Task and Finish Group should be convened in February to start to scope the work, with a view to reporting back to the Committees with initial proposals in September 2024. The aim would be to present recommendations to Council in December 2024. It is anticipated that the Group would meet at least every three months and more frequently at the Chairman's discretion, as the work requires.

5. Your questions and views

- 5.1 If you have any questions about the matters contained in this report, please contact the author of this report.

Appendix 1 - Draft Terms of Reference:

2025 Constitution Task and Finish Group – a working group of the Audit & Governance and Standards & General Purposes Committees

Background:

The Audit & Governance Committee and the Standards & General Purposes Committee both have relevant responsibilities in relation to the constitution:

- The **Audit & Governance Committee** is charged with ensuring that the Council's governance arrangements are effective;
- The **Standards & General Purposes Committee** is charged with overseeing the integrity of the Council's Constitution and compliance with high ethical standards.

Purpose:

The 2025 Constitution Task and Finish Group is a cross party working group of both committees. Its purpose is to review the constitution, in the context of the forthcoming reduction in councillor numbers, and develop proposals for any changes that may be necessary from May 2025.

The Task and Finish Group will also advise the Committees on the establishment of the Independent Remuneration Panel and consider its recommendations for a new scheme of member allowances for 2025.

Membership:

The 2025 Constitution Task and Finish Group will comprise 7 members as follows:

- Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee
- Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Standards and General Purposes Committee
- A Deputy Leader of the Council
- Leader of the Alliance Grouping
- Leader of Impact Alliance.

Chairmanship and quorum:

The meeting will be chaired by the Chairman of the Audit & Governance Committee. The Vice-Chairman will be the Chairman of the Standards and General Purposes Committee. The quorum will be three members. A quorum must contain at least one member from each parent committee.

Meetings:

The 2025 Constitution Task and Finish Group will meet at least once every three months. It may meet more frequently at the discretion of the Chairman, if the Group requires.

Status:

As an informal working group of the two parent committees, the 2025 Constitution Task and Finish Group is private and will not meet in public. However, the Group will provide updates on its progress to the two committees as necessary.

The Group is not a decision-making body. The parent Committees retain decision-making responsibility, for any recommendations or options arising from the Group, consistent with the terms of reference of each Committee.

Support:

The Group will be supported by officers from Legal and Democratic Services.



Report to Standards and General Purposes Committee

Date:	18 January 2024
Title:	Member Code of Conduct Complaints – Quarter 3 Review
Author and/or contact officer:	Nick Graham, Service Director, Legal and Democratic. Contact officer Glenn Watson, Principal Governance Officer.
Ward(s) affected:	
Recommendations:	To note and review the Member Code of Conduct Complaints opened and closed in Quarter 3 (October to December 2023, Annexes 1 and 2) and those currently open.
Reason for decision:	

The Committee is responsible for Member Code of Conduct complaints both for this Council and for parish and town councils. As such, the Committee is kept informed of recent complaints activity and the effectiveness of the Council's 'Arrangements for dealing with complaints against councillors' (the 'Arrangements').

1. Executive summary

- 1.1 This report gives an overview of the Member Code of Conduct complaints that were opened and/or closed during Quarter 3 (October to December) this year. Of the 15 complaints considered in Quarter 3, one breach has been found following a Stage 3 hearing into a parish and town council complaint.
- 1.2 This update includes an indication of the source of the complaint (e.g. public, fellow councillors), the alleged behaviour and the outcome. As requested by the Committee, Annex 1 includes information on the parish/town councils involved.

1.3 A numerical comparison with the previous quarters for this year and last year is included at paragraph 2.7. As previously agreed, a fuller comparison with other authorities will feature in the annual report early next year.

2. Update on complaints opened and/or closed (Quarter 3)

The Council's arrangements for dealing with complaints

2.1 The Council's arrangements for Member Code of Conduct complaints include the following stages:

- a) An Initial Assessment – to determine whether a councillor was acting as a councillor at the time of the alleged breach; and whether, if proven, the matter would amount to a breach of the Code
- b) Stage One – the subject member is asked to comment along with any suggestion to resolve the complaint informally (if appropriate)
- c) Stage Two – the Monitoring Officer or Deputy Monitoring Officer determines if an informal resolution is possible or whether an investigation should take place
- d) Stage Three – formal investigation, with a report presented to a meeting of the Hearings Sub-Committee of this Committee, if necessary.

2.2 Annexes 1 and 2 set out the Member Code of Conduct Complaints that were opened and/or closed over the period of Quarter 3 (October to December).

- a) Annex 1 relates to Parish and Town Council Complaints
- b) Annex 2 relates to Buckinghamshire Council Complaints

Parish/Town Councils

2.3 **Thirteen** complaints about parish and town councillors were considered during October to December. One of these related to a Stage 3 hearing, mentioned more fully at paragraph 3.

2.4 All of the complaints were closed, eleven at Initial Assessment or Stage 1. Four related to the same incident. Almost all the complaints involved some allegations of a technical breach: for example, in relation to interests, the use of information or non-fulfilment of sanctions. Only three involved an element of interpersonal concern such as respect or bullying. Complaints about respect had been more prevalent in the past two years.

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- 2.5 **Two** complaints were received and/or closed within the Quarter October and December 2023. No breaches were found. Both related to non-response to emails, an allegation which does not in itself trigger the Member Code.

Performance in applying the Council's complaints arrangements

- 2.8 In all but three cases, the Council's timeframes were met. In the instances where this was not the case (Parish and Town Council Complaints 3-4, and 6, Annex 1) this was because further dialogue was required with either the complainant and/or the subject member.

Current complaints

- 2.6 Only one complaint is currently open at the start of January 2024. This relates to a parish council and is at Stage 1.

Comparative information

- 2.7 The following table shows the comparative position with this time last year:

Complaints considered				
Year	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Total
2022/23 Parish/Town	3	8	3	14
2023/24 Parish/Town	4	7	13	24
2022/23 Buckinghamshire				
	2	0	11	13
2023/24 Buckinghamshire				
	4	10	2	16

3. Stage 3 Complaint – update on sanctions

- 3.1 On 22 November 2023, a Hearings Sub-Committee heard a complaint about Cllr Linda Derrick of Hughenden Parish Council. This had been made by a former employee. The complaint alleged that a blog post published by Cllr Derrick in relation to the employee was bullying, disrespectful, a breach of the duty of confidentiality and inconsistent with the Code requirements to comply with the complaints process.
- 3.2 The [Hearings Sub-Committee upheld the complaint](#) and found breaches of the Code in relation to each of these allegations. The Sub-Committee did not uphold the complainant's view that the publication was 'harassment' under the Code, as alleged.

3.3 The Sub-Committee has recommended sanctions to Hughenden Parish Council which must now determine whether to apply them in whole or in part or not at all. The Parish Council cannot substitute these with its own sanctions. The recommended sanctions to Hughenden Parish Council are:

- a) To require the subject Member to make a formal apology to the complainant
- b) To issue a formal censure against the subject Member for her conduct in relation to this complaint.
- c) To arrange training for the subject Member on data protection and in particular the recognition, and proper handling of, personal data about staff.
- d) For a period of time, to remove the subject Member from, and not appoint her to, any or all Committees, Sub-Committees or appointment panels of the authority that might give her access to employee information.
- e) To restrict the subject Member's access to council offices (apart from attendance at formal meetings of which she remains a member) until such time as the training detailed in recommendation c) has been undertaken.

3.4 The Sub-Committee agreed that Buckinghamshire Council should issue a press statement highlighting its findings. [This was done.](#)

4. Training on Member Code of Conduct

4.1 The Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Association of Parish and Town Councils will hold a training event for parish and town councils on members' interests on 25 January 2024. Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Councils will jointly deliver a presentation at this event.

5. Next steps and review

5.1 An update on Quarter 4, together with an annual report on 2023/24 will be presented to the Committee in April 2024. The Committee will also receive an update on the implementation of the recommended sanctions in paragraph 3.3.

6. Legal and financial implications

6.1 The Council has a legal obligation under the Localism Act 2011 to promote and maintain high standards of conduct from councillors and co-opted members. This report contributes to fulfilling that duty. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

7. Background papers

7.1 None.

Contact officer: Glenn Watson, Principal Governance Officer

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Annex 1 October to December 2023: Parish and Town Council - Member Code of Conduct Complaints

The complaints below related to councillors from the following parish and town councils:

- Aylesbury Town Council
- Downley Parish Council
- Gerrards Cross Town Council
- Hughenden Parish Council
- Marlow Town Council
- Princes Risborough Town Council

Complaints marked * relate to the same incident.

Complaint	Date of Complaint	Date Closed	Origin	Length/Stage Concluded	Allegation/Code Principle	Breach?
1.	10/02/23	22/11/23	Former staff member	Stage 3 Hearing 9 months	Bullying, disrespect and disclosure of confidential information	Yes – all counts.
2.	10/07/23	20/12/23	Former staff member	Stage 2 4 months	Breach of personal data; disrespect	Potential breach; Independent Person agrees to attempted resolution without Stage 3 Investigation
3.	10/09/23	30/10/23	Public	Initial Assessment 7 weeks (4 weeks over – additional information needed)	‘Whole council’ reached unreasonable decision	No, Code not engaged; facts revealed this to be a governance, not a Code, matter.

Complaint	Date of Complaint	Date Closed	Origin	Length/Stage Concluded	Allegation/Code Principle	Breach?
4.	18/09/23	17/11/23	Fellow councillor	Stage 1 (Informal Assessment) 9 weeks (2 weeks over)	Non-declaration of personal interest	No. No interest to declare at time alleged.
5.	22/09/23	03/10/23	Public	Initial Assessment 1 week	Deliberately misled the public	No. Did not deliberately mislead the public.*
6.	28/09/23	20/12/23	Parish Council	Stage 1 (Informal Resolution) 3 months (additional time to seek subject member comments; comments not forthcoming)	Failure to follow sanctions in full	Not upheld on one count; upheld on another count; informal resolution proposed by Deputy Monitoring Officer.
7.	16/10/23	14/11/23	Public	Stage 1 (Informal Resolution) 1 month	Appropriated/used council property for own purposes	Informal resolution – advice given to subject councillor.
8.	25/10/23	31/10/23	Public	Initial Assessment 1 week	Deliberately misled the public	No. Did not deliberately

Complaint	Date of Complaint	Date Closed	Origin	Length/Stage Concluded	Allegation/Code Principle	Breach?
						mislead the public.*
9.	25/10/23	25/10/23	Public	Initial Assessment 1 day	Deliberately misled the public	No. Did not deliberately mislead the public.*
10.	27/10/23	31/10/23	Public	Initial Assessment 1 week	Deliberately misled the public	No. Did not deliberately mislead the public.*
11.	02/11/23	06/12/23	Fellow councillors	Stage 1 (Informal Assessment) 5 weeks	Non-disclosure of personal interest	No. No disclosable interest evidentially arose
12.	07/11/23	17/11/23	Public	Initial Assessment 1 week	Disrespect by promoting controversial image	No. Article 10 rights to freedom of expression.
13.	22/11/23	Ongoing	Fellow councillor	Stage 1 – current position	Disrespect/attack on a fellow councillor	Outcome pending.

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Annex 2 October to December 2023: Buckinghamshire Council - Member Code of Conduct Complaints

Complaint	Date of Complaint	Date Closed	Origin	Length/Stage Concluded	Allegation/Code Principle	Breach?
1.	20/09/23	09/10/23	Public	Initial Assessment 13 days	Non-response to emails	No.
2.	22/09/23	03/10/23	Public	Initial Assessment 7 days	Non-response to email and non-monitoring of customer contacts	No. Not councillor's responsibility to review organisational incoming post (redirected as corporate complaint)

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- Polling District Review
- Standards Complaints Monitoring report
- CGR proposal for consultation
- Governance Working Group
- Work programme

4 April 2024

- Annual review of code of conduct and complaints
- Constitution Working Group update
- CGR Update
- Work Programme

