



MINUTES OF ELECTORAL REVIEW OF CHORLEY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

MEETING DATE **Wednesday, 15 August 2018**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor Peter Wilson (Chair), Councillor (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Danny Gee, Adrian Lowe, John Walker, Paul Walmsley, Alan Whittaker, John Dalton, Margaret France and Aaron Beaver

OFFICERS: Phil Davies (Electoral Services Manager) and Cathryn Filbin (Democratic and Member Services Officer)

APOLOGIES: Councillor Alistair Bradley, Steve Holgate and Paul Leadbetter

6 Appointment of Chairperson

In the absence of Councillor Alistair Bradley, Chair of the Committee who submitted his apologies on this occasion; nominations were sought to elect a Chair for the meeting.

AGREED: that Councillor Peter Wilson be appointed Chair for the meeting.

7 Minutes of the meeting of the Electoral Review of Chorley Council on 9 July 2018

AGREED – That the minutes be confirmed as a correct record.

8 Timeline

The Committee was informed that an extension had been agreed with the LGBCE which will allow the council to submit its proposal by 20 September. This is to allow members of the council to debate the proposal at its meeting on 18 September.

The consultation itself is due to expire on 3 September.

AGREED – That the timeline be noted.

9 Warding Arrangements - amended

The Committee considered a new proposal on future ward arrangements which incorporated members' suggestions received since the last meeting.

During debate, members acknowledged that the arrangements to the new wards were not ideal. However, they were minded that there was a requirement that a reduction in

the number of wards from 20 to 14 was required and that the proposal presented seemed best fit.

AGREED – That the new mapping arrangements be approved.

10 Draft Council proposal - Warding arrangements

Members considered a draft of the proposal on ward arrangements to be submitted to the LGBCE subject to formal approval at the Council meeting on 18 September.

During debate, members raised the following issues:

- Error in regards to polling district reference for four roads in the Chorley North East Ward;
- The narration in relation to Chorley North to be expanded to include a linkage with current polling district 19D;
- That a housing estate had been split into different wards, with the preference that it should all be in one ward.

It was **AGREED by majority decision (8:1:0): That the proposal be referred to the council meeting on 18 September 2018 for approval, prior to it being formally submitted to the LGBCE on 20 September subject to the following:**

- 1. CHORLEY NORTH EAST WARD - that Brinscall Terrace, Butterworth Brow, Canterbury Close and Chapel Street be listed under current polling district 20D.**
- 2. CHORLEY NORTH WARD – the narration to be amended to link the current polling district 19D in with the rest of the ward.**
- 3. LOSTOCK AND MAWDESLEY WARD – that all Fairbank, Church Walk, Brookside and Euxton Hall Court, Euxton Hall Gardens be included in this ward.**