

Leicester
City Council

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6 November 2019

Sir or Madam

I hereby summon you to a meeting of the LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL to be held at the Town Hall, on THURSDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2019 at FIVE O'CLOCK in the afternoon, for the business hereunder mentioned.

Monitoring Officer

AGENDA

- 1 LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2019 are available to view at:

<http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk:8071/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=81&MId=9385&Ver=4>

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4 STATEMENTS BY THE CITY MAYOR/EXECUTIVE

5 PETITIONS

- Presented by Members of the Public
- Presented by Councillors

6 QUESTIONS

- From Members of the Public
- From Councillors

7 MATTERS RESERVED TO COUNCIL

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7b Increasing the Supply of Affordable Housing - Addition of £70m to the Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme

8 REPORTS OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

8a Bi-Annual Report of Standards Committee: July 2017 - June 2019 - Analysis of Cases Referred

9 EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEES

- To note any changes to the Executive
- To vary the composition and fill any vacancies of any Committee of the Council

10 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

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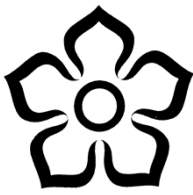
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- ✓ where filming, to (via the Chair of the meeting) ensure that those present are aware that they may be filmed and respect any requests to not be filmed.



Leicester
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WARDS AFFECTED

All wards

Item 7 A

FORWARD TIMETABLE OF CONSULTATION AND MEETINGS:

Council

14th November 2019

Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations

Report of the Director of Delivery, Communications and Political Governance (*Acting Returning Officer for Parliamentary elections*)

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To seek Council agreement to proposals for a revised scheme for Polling Districts, Polling Places, and Polling Stations, within the City of Leicester which will be implemented with the publication of a revised electoral register from 1 February 2020.

2. SUMMARY

In accordance with the Representation of the People Act 1983, the Council has a duty to divide the City into polling districts and to designate a polling place for each of these districts, and to formally review those arrangements periodically. The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 introduced a change to the timing of compulsory reviews of UK Parliamentary polling districts and polling places. The legislation requires every local authority to complete a review of its polling districts and polling places by 31 January 2020. Subsequent reviews must be undertaken at least once every five years. The last review took place in 2014.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

Council is recommended to:

- Approve the Scheme of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations for the City of Leicester as detailed as Appendix A to be formally adopted on 1 February 2020 when a revised electoral register will be published; and
- Delegate to the (Acting) Returning Officer any decision to designate an alternative polling place if a building becomes unavailable for any reason before an election, subject to appropriate consultation with relevant local stakeholders.

4. REPORT

4.1 Definitions

For reference:

- a Polling District is the geographical sub division of an electoral area. For voting purposes, each Parliamentary constituency and every local government ward is divided into one or more polling districts.
- a Polling Place is the geographical area within which a polling station is located. However, there is no legal definition of what a polling place is. It could be as large as the polling district or as small as a particular building; and
- a Polling Station is where the voting actually takes place and must be located within the polling place designated for the particular polling district. When deciding which buildings to use as polling stations, the Council tries to make sure that they are located as conveniently as possible for the majority of electors and that they are accessible to everyone, particularly anyone with a disability.

4.2 Statutory requirements relating to this review

Local authorities are required to divide their area into polling districts for the purposes of parliamentary elections and to designate polling places for these polling districts and to keep them under review. It should be noted that the polling districts for UK Parliamentary elections and local government elections should always be the same and so the review covers polling arrangements for both types of election. The review does not affect the Council boundary or the boundaries of the three parliamentary constituencies.

The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 introduced a change to the timing of compulsory reviews of UK Parliamentary polling districts and polling places. The legislation requires every local authority to complete a review of its polling districts and polling places by 31 January 2020. The City Council last undertook a review in 2014.

Council has reserved to itself for determination, substantive Council decisions relating to the preparation and maintenance of the electoral register and the conduct of local elections. The agreement of polling districts and polling places is therefore a decision taken by Full Council.

4.3 Conducting the review

In conducting a review of polling districts and polling places, authorities must comply with the following legislative requirements regarding the designation of polling districts and polling places:

- the council must designate a polling place for each polling district, unless the size or other circumstances of a polling district are such that the situation of the polling stations does not materially affect the convenience of the electors;

- the polling place must be an area in the district, unless special circumstances make it desirable to designate an area wholly or partly outside the district (for example, if no accessible polling place can be identified in the district); and
- the polling place must be small enough to indicate to electors in different parts of the district how they will be able to reach the polling station.

Local authorities must also comply with the following access requirements. As part of the review, they must:

- seek to ensure that all electors in a constituency in the local authority area have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances; and
- seek to ensure that so far as is reasonable and practicable every polling place for which it is responsible is accessible to electors who are disabled.

The council must have regard to the accessibility to disabled persons of potential polling stations in any place which it is considering designating as a polling place or the designation of which as a polling place it is reviewing.

In practice, a wish to provide a range of fully accessible buildings, conveniently located for electors has to be tempered by the actual circumstances and locations available. Where access is not ideal, then reasonable adjustments will be undertaken to help ensure access to all electors.

In addition to the statutory requirements the following considerations are also important and have been used both in this review and previous reviews, and were promoted to consultees as key factors to consider in making any representations:

- Ideally, the polling place should be in its own polling district.
- Where possible, “natural” boundaries should be used such as railways, major roads, and waterways;
- All properties in a minor road or estate should, ideally, be in the same polling district and
- Polling places should be “logical”; that is, electors should not have to pass another polling place to get to their own.

4.4 Consultation

The review of polling districts and polling places has involved consultation with the public and other interested stakeholders. There are two elements to this consultation:

- A compulsory submission from the (Acting) Returning Officer of the UK Parliamentary constituency (Director of Delivery, Communications and Political Governance), which must then be published by the local authority; and
- Submissions from electors and other interested persons and bodies, including elected representatives and those with expertise in relation to access to premises or facilities for disabled people.

The review commenced on the 12th August 2019 with the publication of a formal notice, as required, which was placed on the Council's website, displayed at Customer Services and which was sent to all Council members, and also agents and political parties who have stood at recent elections, and to formal forums and groups representing people with disabilities. The Council's social media profiles were also used to promote the notice of the review.

Following the publication of the formal notice the first stage of a two-stage consultation process commenced. The first stage consultation involved publication of the (Acting) Returning Officer's comments on the existing arrangements and invited consultees to comment on the current arrangements and put forward any suggestions for improvement on those arrangements. This first stage consultation ran between 12th August and 6th September 2019. The representations received were then reviewed and the (Acting) Returning Officer's proposals were then put forward for a second stage consultation which commenced on 30th September 2019 and closed on 18th October 2019.

Both consultations were publicised in the same way as the notice of the review; a letter was sent to all Council members, and also agents and political parties who have stood at recent elections, and to formal forums and groups representing people with disabilities. The Council's on-line consultation hub was used to provide information and receive submissions and the Council's social media profiles used to promote the consultation. 39 responses were received overall.

4.5 Proposals

The final proposals for the new polling districts and polling places are detailed at Appendix A with the last column being the recommendation for each polling district for consideration by Full Council. Maps showing the proposed polling districts for each ward can be found on the Council's website at the following link:-

www.leicester.gov.uk/pollingdistrictreview

In drawing up these proposals full consideration has been taken of:

- All representations made which are summarised and set out in Appendix A; and
- The (Acting) Returning Officer's submission. In making that submission the (Acting) Returning Officer took into account a range of factors, including the following:
 - Size of electorate for each Polling District
 - Electoral turnout
 - Number of voters who have applied for a postal vote
 - Topographical issues such as walking distance, hills or inclines to be negotiated and busy roads to be crossed.
 - Travel to polling places
 - Access to Polling Stations, including for those with children/pushchairs, wheelchairs, mobility difficulties
 - Suitability of premises as a polling station (including maintaining the secrecy of the ballot), basic facilities (toilets etc) for polling staff

In addition, where possible, preference is given to using premises other than schools (to avoid the potential for closure and consequent disruption and impact on educational standards), although it is not feasible to avoid use of schools in some areas due to the lack of other suitable premises. Faith based/religious premises have been used provided that sacred areas are not affected and that use by electors would not compromise the values and practices of that faith.

The use of mobile facilities has been considered only where there is no other viable alternative.

4.6 Timetable for implementation

The current regulations require this review to be completed by 31 January 2020.

Due to the current timing of the Parliamentary elections to be held on 12 December 2019 it will not be possible to enact the necessary boundary changes and publish the revised register until 1 February 2020. The Electoral Commission have confirmed this is permissible as we have completed the review as required by 31 January 2020. However for the election on 12 December, where desirable and practical to implement changes with respect to individual polling stations those will be done.

4.7 Appeal process

Following the conclusion of the authority's review, certain individuals have a right to make representations to the Electoral Commission. The following may make representations:

- thirty or more registered electors in each constituency (although electors registered anonymously cannot make a representation);
- a person (except the (Acting) Returning Officer) who made representations to the authority when the review was being undertaken; and
- any person who is not an elector in a constituency in the authority's area but who the Commission thinks has sufficient interest in the accessibility of disabled persons to polling places in the area or has particular expertise in relation to the access to premises or facilities of disabled persons.

In addition, the (Acting) Returning Officer may make observations on any representations made to the Electoral Commission.

All representations must be made in writing and be as specific as possible stating the manner in which it is alleged that the local authority has failed to properly conduct the review. There are only two grounds on which a representation may be made. These are:

- the local authority has failed to meet the reasonable requirements of the electors in the constituency; and
- the local authority has failed to take sufficient account of accessibility to disabled persons of the polling station/ polling stations within a polling place.

A representation may also include for consideration specific proposals for changing the place that has been designated as the polling place.

4.8 Making amendments to polling places

If a polling station becomes unavailable, the (Acting) Returning Officer should consider whether another polling station could be designated within the polling place. Changing the polling station within the polling place would not require a review.

As noted earlier, Full Council has reserved to itself any substantial decisions relating to the preparation and maintenance of the electoral register and the conduct of local elections. For practical purposes it is proposed that should there be a need to change a polling place for example where a building becomes unavailable before an election, then this decision is delegated to the (Acting) Returning Officer provided they undertake appropriate consultation with relevant stakeholders in that local area.

Between compulsory reviews, all polling places and polling stations used should be kept under consideration, and an evaluation of their suitability carried out after each election. If any changes are identified as being desirable, the same steps should be followed as for conducting the compulsory review.

5. FINANCIAL, LEGAL AND OTHER IMPLICATIONS

5.1. Financial Implications

No significant financial implications are expected to arise from this report.

Colin Sharpe, Head of Finance, ext. 37 4081

5.2 Legal Implications

The legal implications are detailed within the body of this report

Kamal Adatia, City Barrister, ext. 37 1401

5.3 Equality implications

Reference is made in the report to addressing and meeting disabled access needs and general accessibility. Local authorities have a duty to review the accessibility of all polling places to disabled voters and ensure that every polling place, and prospective polling place, for which it is responsible is accessible to disabled voters 'so far as is reasonable and practicable'. Where, because of local circumstances, a polling place has been selected that is not fully accessible, then reasonable adjustments must be undertaken to provide access for all electors.

Surinder Singh, Equalities Officer ext. 37 4148

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS – LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

- Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013
- Schedule A1 to the Representation of the People Act 1983
- Electoral Commission guidance - Reviews of polling districts, polling places and polling stations

7. CONSULTATIONS

As described in section 4.4.

8. REPORT AUTHOR

Miranda Cannon, Director of Delivery, Communications and Political Governance

Leicester East Constituency

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Belgrave - 3 member Ward											
BEA	Belgrave Union Church, Elmdale Street, LE4 5JA	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	
BEB	Abbey Primary Community School, Entrance From Bruin Street, LE4 5HH	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
BEC	Shree Shakti Mandir, Moira Street, Entrance from Canon Street, LE4 6NH	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
BED	Belgrave Neighbourhood Centre, Rothley Street, LE4 6LF	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
BEE	Sanatan Manavta Day Care Centre, 172-174 Surrey Street, LE4 6FH	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward	Our policy is not to use a school, where there is a suitable alternative premises available. So I would not wish to change to Catherine Infant School. Unfortunately, I have not been able to identify a suitable alternative premises and as there have not been any issues with the Day Care Centre in the past, I recommend the continued use of this premises.
			Cllr Nita Solanki	Move the polling station from Sanatan Manavta Day Care Centre, 172-174 Surrey Street, LE4 6FH to Shree Sanatan Mandir, Weymouth Street or another nearby location. This is at the end of the street, and parking can be an issue. Usually a low % turnout at this venue.	We visited the location to assess it's suitability. Both the current and the proposed locations are on the same street and parking availability is the same for both. Whilst the proposed location is larger than the current location, there are no ground floor facilities available to use, thus, the location is deemed unsuitable.		Cllr Nita Solanki	I asked if the Surrey St station could be moved to the temple but the idea was not feasible due to ground floor access. Can a hall or room be used in Catherine Infants school or is there another suitable venue in the nearby area that could be used instead of the current venue.			
Evington - 3 member Ward											

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EVA	St. Chad's Church Centre, 141a Coleman Road, LE5 4LG	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep EVA, EVE, EVF and their polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
EVB	Coleman Neighbourhood Centre, Entrance From Balderstone Close, LE5 4ES	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
EVC	St. Joseph's Hall, Uppingham Road, LE5 6SG	Propose existing Polling Place remains unchanged, but propose slight alteration to the Polling District boundary, as described in comments relating to EVD.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	The proposal to make a slight alteration on the boundary between EVC and EVD does not, in our view, go far enough. The majority of electors in EVC live closer to either the EVB or the EVD polling station than to their own. Propose: dividing EVC along the line of Goodwood Road, with the western part joining EVB and the eastern joining EVD. This would then free up the St. Joseph's Hall polling station to be used, if necessary, for the TCB polling district in Thurncourt.	St. Joseph's Hall is not considered a suitable location for the residents in Thurncourt Ward. They would need to cross a busy major road and continuing to use the Phoenix Centre is considered to be a better option. St. Joseph's Hall to be retained as the polling station location for EVC with some properties in the southern tip of this district being moved into EVD as per the original proposal. This would affect 270 electors.	Propose existing Polling Place remains unchanged, but propose slight alteration to the Polling District boundary, to move some properties into EVD. The alterations can be viewed on the Evington Ward map on the consultation webpage.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling Place remains unchanged, but propose slight alteration to the Polling District boundary, to move some properties into EVD. The alterations can be viewed on the Evington Ward map.
EVD	Goodwood Evangelical Church, Gamel Road, LE5 6TB	Whilst the Polling District and Polling Station work well, the Polling Station is just outside the boundary of the Polling District. Therefore, I would propose to change the boundary slightly to incorporate the Polling Station into the Polling District, together with adjacent properties, currently within EVC. Comments on this proposal are welcomed.	Leicester Liberal Democrats			Propose to change the boundary slightly to incorporate the Polling Station into the Polling District, together with some properties currently within EVC. The alterations can be viewed on the Evington Ward map on the consultation webpage.	No name supplied	Reinstate White Hall polling station as it's closer to the majority of the elderly electorate.	Our policy is not to use a school where there is a suitable alternative premises within the Polling District. Therefore, I would not wish to use Whitehall Primary School.	Recommend that the boundary be changed slightly to incorporate the Polling Station into the Polling District, together with some properties currently within EVC. The alterations can be viewed on the Evington Ward map.
							Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		
EVE	Evington Leisure Centre, Downing Drive, LE5 6LP	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep EVA, EVE, EVF and their polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
EVF	Evington Youth Club, The Common, Evington, LE5 6EA	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep EVA, EVE, EVF and their polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				

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Humberstone & Hamilton - 3 member Ward											
HHA	Hope Hamilton Primary School, Sandhills Avenue, LE5 1LU	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	
HHB	Hamilton Library & Learning Centre, Maidenwell Avenue, LE5 1BL	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
HHC	Royal British Legion Club, 13 Main Street, Humberstone, LE5 1AE	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
HHD	Netherhall Neighbourhood Centre, Armadale Drive, LE5 1HF	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
HHE	Netherhall Children, Young People & Family Centre, 68 New Romney Crescent, LE5 1NH	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
North Evington - 3 member Ward											
NEA	Northfields Neighbourhood Centre, Brighton Road, LE5 0HD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose the creation of a new district NEF with the Uppingham Road Methodist Church as the polling place. The alterations can be viewed on the North Evington Ward map on the consultation webpage.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the creation of a new district NEF with the Uppingham Road Methodist Church as the polling place. The alterations can be viewed on the North Evington Ward map	
			Luis Fonseca	In North Evington ward - we can do with one more polling station - just like Rushey Mead and Evington. The reason being that the newly built area around Lotus Road, Lily Road and Wycombe Road - comprising area like Hallaton Road etc. are a bit further out. So if we have a polling station at area in and around Merrydale school it will be beneficial.	The policy is to avoid the use of a school if there is a suitable alternative available. The Uppingham Road Methodist Church, 178 Uppingham Road has been visited to assess it's suitability as a polling place. This venue is suitable and can serve the local residential areas.						

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NEB	Sacred Heart Church, Parish Hall, Entrance from Mere Close, LE5 3HS	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
NEC	St. Barnabas Library, French Road, LE5 4AH	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
NED	Leicester Railwaymen's Club & Institute, Leicester Street, LE5 4FS	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
NEE	Coleman Lodge, The Wayne Way, LE5 4PP	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
Rushey Mead - 3 member Ward										
RMA	St. Theodore's Church Hall, Sandfield Close, LE4 7RE	This Polling Station is slightly outside the Ward. However, it works well being a dual Polling Station with Polling District TRA, but any suggestions for alternative buildings within the actual Polling District are welcomed.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged. we believe that St. Theodore's Church Hall, although outside the ward, remains the best location for the polling station.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
RMB	Woodbridge Children, Young People & Family Centre, 54A Woodbridge Road, LE4 7RG	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
RMC	Rushey Mead Recreation Centre, Gleneagles Avenue, LE4 7YJ	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
RMD	St. Gabriel's Community Centre, Rear Of St. Gabriel's Church, Kerrysdale Avenue, LE4 7GH	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged

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RME	Harrison Road Methodist Church Hall, Harrison Road, LE4 6QN	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
RMF	Carey Hall Baptist Church Room, 159 Harrison Road, LE4 6NP	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
Thurncourt - 2 member Ward										
TCA 13	Goodwood Bowls Club, Entrances From Uppingham Rd & Crofters Dr, (Car Access - Crofters Dr), LE5 2FH	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep TCA, TCD and TCE polling districts and polling stations unchanged.	The Bowls Club pavilion is used for all elections where possible. A mobile station is only used when the pavilion is not available due to match fixtures. A map showing the location of the polling station is included on the poll card.	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward.		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			<i>Name not provided</i>	Last polling station was a sea container/mobile classroom in a gravelled carpark which was not signposted clearly from Scraftoft Lane to Crofters Drive Can this be moved to a church hall or someplace where it is wheelchair accessible or for those with mobility problems						
TCB	Phoenix Centre, Entrance From Gervas Road, LE5 2EG	There are now no facilities within Polling District TCB. I would propose to combine Polling Districts TCB & TCC and retain the Phoenix Centre as the Polling Station, as it is central to the area. Comments on this proposal are welcomed.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We do not support the merger of TCB and TCC. The existing situation is unsatisfactory. Many electors in TCB have a very long walk to the Phoenix Centre. If our proposals in the Evington ward were carried through, this would enable the St. Joseph's Church Hall in Uppingham Road to be used as the TCB polling station. While it is just outside the ward, this is not an insuperable problem.	St. Joseph's Hall is not considered suitable for residents in TCB as they would need to cross a busy major road. The Phoenix Centre is central to the proposed district that would be created by the merging of TCB and TCC. The furthest properties (walking distance) in TCB are similar in distance to the Phoenix Centre as are the furthest properties in the current district of TCC. The maximum	Propose to combine Polling Districts TCB & TCC and retain the Phoenix Centre as the Polling Station for the newly created district. The alterations can be viewed on the Thurncourt Ward map on the consultation webpage.		We concede that using St. Joseph's Church Hall as a Thurncourt polling station would mean that voters would have to cross a busy main road. We therefore support the proposals for the entire Ward.		Recommend that Polling Districts TCB & TCC be combined and that the Phoenix Centre be retained as the Polling Station for the newly created district. The alterations can be viewed on the Thurncourt Ward map.
TCC	Phoenix Centre, Entrance From Gervas Road, LE5 2EG		Leicester Liberal Democrats	We do not support the merger of TCB and TCC. The existing situation is unsatisfactory. Many electors in TCB have a very long walk to the Phoenix Centre.						

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TCD	Christ Church Parish Hall, Thurncourt Road, LE5 2HQ	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep TCA, TCD and TCE polling districts and polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged		We support the proposals for the entire Ward.		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
TCE	Willowbrook Activity Centre (The Boyzee), Colthurst Way, LE5 2LF	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep TCA, TCD and TCE polling districts and polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
Troon - 2 member Ward										
TRA	St. Theodore's Church Hall, Sandfield Close, LE4 7RE	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward.		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
TRB 14	Mobile Polling Station, The Willow Public House, 215 Humberstone Lane, LE4 9JR	The use of a mobile is not ideal and we cannot guarantee the mobile site. Suggestions for a suitable permanent building are welcomed.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged. We have not identified an alternative to a mobile polling station for TRB.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
TRC	The Redeemed Christian Church of God, 25 Edgehill Road, LE4 9EA	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			Cllr Diane Cank	The only concern I have is that the Edgehill Road Polling station is too close to the Gipsy Lane one. (In Northfields School Grounds). People were coming to the wrong polling station.	No alternative suitable building in the district has been identified and electors have used this location for a number of years.					
TRD	The Mead Centre, 343 Gipsy Lane, LE4 9DD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged		
			Cllr Diane Cank	People were coming to the wrong polling station. I suppose the Northfield one could join up with North Evington at the Northfields Neighbourhood Centre, failing that then stay as it is.	Northfields Neighbourhood Centre is in a different ward. The building has been used for a number of years and it is not felt that the proposed move would be of benefit to local electors.					

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TRE	The Emerald Centre, 450 Gypsy Lane, LE5 0TB	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged

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Aylestone - 2 member Ward												
AYA	The Cricketers Public House, 1 Grace Road, LE2 8AD	The use of the Cricketers Public House is not ideal. However, it was the only suitable premises available at the time of the last election. I am proposing that Polling District AYA and AYB be merged and St. Edward's Church Hall be used for the new larger Polling District, as the building would be able to cope if 2 Polling Stations were created. Comments on this proposal are welcomed.	Leicester South Labour Party	<p>Agree that Cricketers is unsuitable as a Polling Station</p> <p>However, such a large PD with one Polling Station a considerable distance from current AYA will make it more difficult for people to vote</p> <p>To keep the current boundary between AYA/AYB (with exception of below) and use the Cricket club itself as the Polling Station</p> <p>If not the Cricket Club, why was the station moved from the Working Men's Club on Saffron Lane?</p> <p>If not the Cricket Club, what is the old Children's Centre on Knighton Lane used for?</p> <p>Propose: If not the Cricket Club, use Aylestone Leisure Centre (although not in the ward)?</p> <p>Boundary Change AYA/AYB: To bring the section of Milligan Rd from Duncan Rd to Cheshire Rd all into AYA</p> <p>Propose: The Cricket Club</p> <p>The vast majority of Milligan Rd would then be in AYA with only a section in AYD</p>	<p>The building that used to be Lansdowne Neighbourhood Centre changed ownership to Kiddy Planet Nursery and is no longer available to use as a polling station.</p> <p>The Saffron Lane Working Men's Club sold part of their building and the premises was no longer available to use as a polling station at that time. The premises has reopened as a smaller venue, The Duncan Road Social Club, but a visit has been made and reveals that there are no suitable facilities within the club.</p> <p>The Leicestershire County Cricket Club have been contacted in the past but state that priority will always be given to match fixtures and as such, access would not be allowed during those times. We are unable, therefore, to guarantee either access or any continuity with this location as a polling station and, therefore, we do not believe that this can be considered to be a viable option.</p> <p>Contact has been made with the new management of The Cricketers Public House and they are agreeable for their premises to continue to be used as a</p>	<p>Propose that the polling place remains unchanged for AYA. Slight boundary change to bring in a number of properties on Milligan Road from AYB. The alterations can be viewed on the Aylestone Ward map on the consultation webpage.</p>	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the majority of the proposals for the Ward, we just have comments regarding AYD.		Recommend a slight boundary change to move a few properties on Milligan Road into AYA. Other than this change, propose that the existing Polling Place remains unchanged. The alterations can be viewed on the Aylestone Ward map.		
			Cllr Adam Clarke	I align myself with the comments submitted by Patrick Kitterick and Gavin George (Leicester South Labour Party) regarding Aylestone Ward. I'm particularly concerned about the potential impact of the proposed merger of AYA and AYB and feel an appropriate venue -such as one of the many buildings that comprises Leicestershire County Cricket Club- should be secured in AYA.	We support the proposals to keep three polling districts and three polling stations unchanged.	The building that used to be Lansdowne Neighbourhood Centre						
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17				<p>For AYA although having a polling station in the grounds of a pub might not be seen to be ideal, the reality in this case was that the voters appeared happy with the Cricketers polling station and we certainly have not received any complaints.</p> <p>As a polling station the Cricketers is in a prominent location with good access and off-street parking - it was generally fine and there was a nice atmosphere on the election day in May 2019.</p> <p>The Lansdowne Neighbourhood Centre, 70 Knighton Lane has previously been used as a local polling station. Now that it has reopened, it could possibly be used again.</p>	<p>changed ownership to Kiddy Planet Nursery and is no longer available to use as a polling station. Contact has been made with the new management of The Cricketers Public House and they are agreeable for their premises to continue to be used as a polling station.</p>					
	AYB	St. Edward's Catholic Church Hall, Aylestone Road, LE2 8TF				Propose slight boundary change to move a few properties on Milligan Road into AYA. Other than this slight change, propose that the existing Polling Place remains unchanged. The alterations can be viewed on the Aylestone Ward map on the consultation webpage.				Recommend a slight boundary change to move a few properties on Milligan Road into AYA. Other than this change, propose that the existing Polling Place remains unchanged. The alterations can be viewed on the Aylestone Ward map.
	AYC	Aylestone Baptist Church, Lutterworth Road, Aylestone, LE2 8PE	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remain unchanged, subject to the proposals for AYD shown below.			
AYD	Montrose Primary School, Wigston Lane, LE2 8TN	The Headteacher has requested that the School isn't used in future as a Polling Station, due to health & safety reasons. Suggestions for suitable alternatives are welcomed.	Leicester South Labour Party	Nothing suitable in that PD. Mobile on Iceland Car Park. If so move Cyprus and Burgess into from AYA to AYD	The preferred option is to continue to use Montrose Primary School as a central site within the district. If this site cannot be secured, an alternative option may	Propose that the Polling District and Polling Place remain unchanged so long as the school as the current Polling Place can be secured.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the majority of the proposals for the ward. We agree that, if Montrose Primary School is not available, the boundary between AYC and AYD should be amended as	An alternative premises to the school has been sought and the Contact Centre at the Children's Centre, Wigston Lane has	Recommend that the Polling District remain unchanged and that the Contact Centre, Wigston Lane be used as the Polling Place.

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18				<p>An alternative arrangement to the school could be that the Baptist Church on Lutterworth Road is used as a combined polling station for both AYD and AYC.</p> <p>The Baptist Church is in a good prominent location with off-street parking and easy access for voters from Wigston Lane, Glenhills Boulevard, Aylestone Drive etc.</p>	<p>be to consider a split of district AYD with properties west of Aylestone Drive moving to AYC and the remaining properties staying within a smaller AYD district using the Pork Pie Library as a polling place.</p>	<p>Further propose that if the school cannot be secured, then a split of the AYD district be considered with properties being split between AYC polling place (Aylestone Baptist Church) and the remaining properties using the Pork Pie Library. The proposed alterations can be viewed on the Aylestone Ward map on the consultation webpage - map AYD.</p>		<p>proposed. We do not agree that the Pork Pie Library should be used as the polling station for the revised AYD polling district. It is outside the ward. Voters would have to cross two extremely busy roads to reach it. We therefore suggest The Christadelphian Hall, 3 Glenhills Boulevard, LE2 8UF as a potential polling station. Although it is at the very edge of the ward, it would avoid these major problems.</p>	<p>been identified. The building is located next door to the School, so is in a familiar area to voters and more centrally located than the Christadelphian Hall which has been suggested. Therefore, the use of the Contact Centre is recommended and the school have been advised that they would only be used as a contingency arrangement in the event that the Contact Centre being unavailable.</p>	
	AYE	Gilmorton Community Unit, Hopyard Close, LE2 9GY	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the majority of the proposals for the Ward, we just have comments regarding AYD.	
Castle - 3 member Ward										
CAA	Town Hall, Entrance from Bishop Street, LE1 9BG	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the majority of proposals for the Ward. With the exception of our comments on CAD.		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			Cat Tuohy	I like the Town Hall as the polling station location.						
			Nicholas Knight	<p>As Leicester approaches the 2020s and as its resident population continues to increase, the City Centre faces enormous social and economic challenges. Dealing with them effectively will determine whether Leicester succeeds or fails as a city in the years to come. Against this background, the current Castle Ward boundaries make little sense. The residents and businesses of the City Centre need and deserve councillors who can dedicate themselves to City Centre issues.</p>	The polling district & polling place review for 2019 does not deal with any changes at a Ward level. Ward boundaries are determined by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.					

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				I believe the City needs a new City Centre ward and a separate residential suburban ward centred on Clarendon Park.						
CAB	Trinity House Chapel, Trinity House, The Newarke, LE2 7BY	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
CAC	St. Stephen's United Reformed Church Hall, De Montfort Street (entrance from New Walk), LE1 7GB	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
19 CAD	Knighton Park Table Tennis Centre, 83 Knighton Fields Road East, LE2 6DP	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester South Labour Party	Boundary Change CAD/CAE: To bring the streets from Putney Road up to (but not including) Oakland Rd from CAD to CAE Rationale: Easier to go to CAE Polling Station than walk back along Welford Road to Knighton Park Table Tennis Centre	The proposed boundary change would currently affect 100 electors. A development in the near future in the area around Putney Road will create more residential properties. It is proposed to create a new district as part of this review to accommodate both current and future residents.	Propose that the properties between Putney Road and Ashford Road be moved from CAD to create a new district CAG (shown green on map). All other properties south of Ashford Road to remain in CAD. The electors in the new district CAG to vote at the CAE polling station for the time being until the development in CAG nears completion. A polling station location in CAG will then be sought. The alterations can be viewed on the Castle Ward map on the consultation webpage.		We understand the logic of creating a new polling district to cater for the Freemans Common development. We do not agree that the voters in the new CAG polling district should have to cross a busy main road to vote at the CAE polling station when they could continue to safely vote at the CAD polling station.	The proposed boundary change would affect 100 electors. The likelihood is that the majority of the electors are likely to be students whose direction of travel is more likely to be towards Clarendon Park than heading south, down Welford Road. Therefore, I recommend that these electors should vote at Create Studios for the short term, pending the creation of a suitable building within the newly created Polling District	Recommend that the properties between Putney Road and Ashford Road be moved from CAD to create a new district CAG. All other properties south of Ashford Road to remain in CAD. The electors in the new district CAG to vote at the CAE polling station for the time being until the development in CAG nears completion. A polling station location in CAG will then be sought. The alterations can be viewed on the Castle Ward map.
			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.						

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20	CAE Create Studios, 120A Hartopp Road, LE2 1WF	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester South Labour Party	Propose: Avenue Road School - rationale: bigger premises	The policy is to avoid the use of a school if there is a suitable alternative available.	Propose that the properties between Putney Road and Ashford Road be moved from CAD to create a new district CAG (shown green on map). Polling Place in CAE remains unchanged and takes in electorate from CAG for the time being. The alterations can be viewed on the Castle Ward map on the consultation webpage.		We support the majority of proposals for the Ward. With the exception of our comments on CAD.	The proposed boundary change would affect 100 electors. The likelihood is that the majority of the electors are likely to be students whose direction of travel is more likely to be towards Clarendon Park than heading south, down Welford Road. Therefore, I recommend that these electors should vote at Create Studios for the short term, pending the creation of a suitable building within the newly created Polling District	Recommend that the properties between Putney Road and Ashford Road be moved from CAD to create a new district CAG. Polling Place in CAE remains unchanged and takes in electorate from CAG for the time being. The alterations can be viewed on the Castle Ward map.
			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.						
	CAF Geeta Bhavan Hindu Community Centre, Clarendon Park Road, LE2 3AD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.	The polling district & polling place review for 2019 does not deal with any changes at a Ward level. Ward boundaries are determined by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			Nicholas Knight	Similarly, Clarendon Park and the Queens Road shops that are vital to its future as one of the City's most distinctive residential suburbs, need dedicated councillors whose minds are focussed on local issues. I would suggest that the Ward boundaries be redrawn to reflect this.						
Eyres Monsell - 2 member Ward										
EMA	Eyres Monsell Community Centre, Hillsborough Road, LE2 9PQ	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester South Labour Party	The issue is the size of EMA and the location of the polling station at the Community Centre. Propose: Working Men's Club / Scarlet Pimpernel Pub Propose: To make it easier to get to the Polling station, it is proposed to split EMA into two Polling Districts The Polling Station would move from the Community Centre to the Working Mens Club on Little John Road for EMA 1. The Club has the space, disabled access and parking	The Scarlet Pimpernel Pub, albeit residentially based does not offer a self contained room. Room can be access restricted but the bar serves both rooms and is not able to be partitioned. This results in a noisy environment and is not considered to be conclusive to the secrecy of the poll. The Working Men's Club on Littlejohn Road is not considered to be suitable and due to it's proximity	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged

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21				<p>The Polling Station for EMA 2 would be the Scarlet Pimpernel Pub which again has the space, disabled access and parking</p> <p>The boundary for EMA 1 and EMA 2 would run from Glenhills Boulevard, junction of Brettel Rd/Whitteney Drive North and follow 'behind' Simmins Crescent, Garnett Crescent and 'in front of' Runcorn Road and Kelso Green</p> <p>There is the option of moving Runcorn Road and streets south of it into EMC given the proximity to EMC Polling Station</p> <p>Even if EMA cannot be split into two PDs, it is argued that the Working Mens Club is a bit more central to the PD which will help voter turnout</p> <p>Even if EMA cannot be split into two PDs and the Polling Station cannot be moved, it is suggested that the current boundary of Saffron Lane remains.</p> <p>It was suggested above that some of the streets could move into EMB. However, on reflection this would probably not improve voter turnout as there is very limited parking around Pork Pie Library and there are issues of crossing Saffron Lane if walking or getting out of Pasley Road if driving</p>	to the current polling station, does not offer any better location than the Eyres Monsell Community Centre. The current facility is City Council owned , thus affording guaranteed availability.					
	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.								
EMB	Pork Pie Library and Community Centre, Entrance from Stonesby Avenue, LE2 6QS	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged. This location may take in electors from AYD if the proposal relating to that district is approved. This would create 2 distinct polling stations in this venue.				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged

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EMC	Eyes Monsell & Gilmorton Children's Centre, Hillsborough Road, LE2 9PT	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged

Knighton

22	KNA	Knighton Tennis Centre, Entrance from Sir Jonathan North Community College, Knighton Lane East, LE2 6FU	The Tennis Centre, is an excellent building for use as a Polling Station, but ideally a closer suitable building to the residential area would be better. Suggestions for suitable alternatives are welcomed.	Leicester South Labour Party	Tennis Centre is an excellent building ideally a closer suitable building to the residential area would be better. Propose: KNA1 - Remains Knighton Tennis Centre; KNA2 - Mobile at Tesco car park on Aberdale Rd. The issue is the size of KNA especially as part of the old FMB was added to KNA following the ward boundary review Propose: To split KNA into two PDs to make it easier for electors to vote. The boundary would be where Pendlebury Dr meets Woodcroft Ave/Cairnsford Rd KNA 1: Includes Pendlebury Dr and surrounding streets and Knighton Fields area KNA 2: The remainder of current KNA and include the small part of KNF that is south of Welford Rd	The availability of suitable locations in KNA is limited. Substantial development around the academic sites has resulted in a different layout including a new fencing configuration. It is proposed to split KNA into 2 districts so as to better serve the residents living in the south of the current district. The siting of a mobile polling station close to the Aberdale Road shopping area (Tesco and Co-operative stores have both been considered) has been explored and looks viable subject to a site visit by the mobile unit supplier. The inclusion of some properties from KNF would create a large electorate for a mobile to cope with so it is not proposed to pursue this option.	Propose that KNA be split into 2 districts with Saffron Brook acting as a natural divide. Residents in properties north of Saffron Brook to remain as KNA and use Knighton Tennis Centre as their polling place. Residents in properties south of Saffron Brook to move into a newly created district, KNG, and use a mobile polling station close to Aberdale Road shops as their polling place. Discussions to be held with Heads of both academic organisations with regard to improving pedestrian access. The alterations can be viewed on the Knighton Ward map on the consultation webpage.	Gavin George on behalf of Leicester South Labour Party	I agree that KNA should be split into 2 polling districts, KNA and KNG. If it is not possible to use a mobile polling station on Aberdale Road then it is still preferable to split KNA (rather than retaining the large KNA). Other alternative options for the location of a mobile unit are: Chiltern Green or the part of Pendlebury Drive where the buses used to turn (next to Dawson Way). If the latter is preferable then perhaps the polling district boundary would have to be moved slightly north of Saffron Book to include the part of Pendlebury Drive where the buses used to turn (next to Dawson Way). I would be grateful if my views on behalf of Leicester South Labour Party are considered.	Permission to use the Tesco car park was refused by the management company. The Coop agreed that the site could be used. However, following a site visit to determine the suitability of the area for a mobile, logistical problems were identified. Whilst these could have been overcome the cost of siting a mobile in this area would have been excessive and this area has been ruled out on that basis. Other areas have been sought and 2 have been identified. The play area at Chiltern Green and the bus pull in area on Dawson Way. Having considered the two locations, Dawson Way was felt to be a better location. Whilst the play area is a little more central, it was felt that the close proximity to residential properties and having to site a mobile on a grassed area, would be problematical. In reviewing the location and access	Recommend that KNA be split into 2 polling districts .That Knighton Tennis Centre be retained as the polling place for KNA. Then create a new polling district of KNG, with a mobile polling station at Dawson Way. The alterations can be viewed on the Knighton Ward map.
				Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged. We do not agree with moving the KNA polling station from the Knighton Tennis Centre. This is an excellent building for use as a polling station. The problem has been inconsistency relating to access.	Knighton Tennis Centre to be retained as a polling station for the residents living in the north of the current district KNA. A newly created district would better serve the residents in the south of the current district. Discussions with the academic sites will be		Cllr Patrick Kitterick	Can I please support the comments from Gavin George in relation to the Polling District review.		
				Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the majority of the ward. If pedestrian access to the Knighton Tennis Centre cannot be ensured from both Knighton Lane East and Pendlebury Drive, we would agree to splitting the KNA polling district. We do not agree with the boundary drawn. It would force the residents of the Pendlebury						

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23				We believe that it should remain as the KNA polling station, but that the Council should ensure that pedestrian access should be from both Knighton Lane East and Pendlebury Drive.	held regarding improvements to pedestrian access.			Drive area to continue to have a very long walk. What is more, the walk would take them through the proposed KNG polling district. We therefore propose that the boundary be amended to include Chadderton Close, Larchwood Close and Pendlebury Drive in KNG. A mobile polling station for KNG would not be ideal, but we have not been able to find an alternative.	of the proposed mobile polling station, we feel that the boundary of the proposed new Polling District should extend to include all properties on Pendlebury Drive, Larchwood Close and Chadderton Close. If the boundary that was initially proposed (running along saffron brook) were to be retained, we believe electors would be unhappy to drive past the new mobile Polling Station in order to reach the vehicular entrance to their current allocated station (Knighton Tennis Centre). It is acknowledged that this will increase the number of electors using the mobile (approximately 2500 electors to that Polling Place), however, as there is such strength of feeling that the Tennis Centre is too far for electors to travel to vote, then this is the only alternative.	
			Cllr Lynn Moore	SJN School is in a good position but there were problems during the election as you're no doubt aware re access and parking. Geographically, it is conveniently situated for West Knighton electors in Pendlebury Drive and feeder roads, but unless a gate is unlocked, people have to approach via a very long way round (Knighton Lane) and given the nature of the demographic, many are unlikely to bother. Can't think of anywhere else in that area as no community buildings. We need one!!!	Knighton Tennis Centre to be retained as a polling station for the residents living in the north of the current district KNA. A newly created district would better serve the residents in the south of the current district. Discussions with the academic sites will be held regarding improvements to pedestrian access.		Cllr Melissa March	During the recent local elections I met with numerous West Knighton residents in who were struggling to walk the entire distance to and from their polling station (either because of the distance or their mobility). I also met with many others (for example a cancer patient) who drove to the tennis centre only to be turned away. As a result, I support splitting the KNA area into two using a temporary polling station.		
			Stephanie Ann Chapman	The polling station is not user friendly - poor signage and not very accessible from the transport system. Long walks involved to navigate round two busy schools and terrain not even - this is detrimental to the disabled who find walking distances painful. Last election normal access had been shut off and people were forced to go back to the street to find a second gate that took them the whole way round one school to have to walk past the second school and no signage - plus because this had not been actioned the authority posted details of the alternate access which arrived late election day or in the post the day after election day.	Knighton Tennis Centre to be retained as a polling station for the residents living in the north of the current district KNA. A newly created district would better serve the residents in the south of the current district. Discussions with the academic sites will be held regarding improvements to pedestrian access.		Naj Hassan	Expand the voting districts in knighton, KNA		
							Bob Line	We definitely need additional polling area and stations to address the low level of activity in parts of the ward		
							Carole Jasilek	I think the proposed arrangements for KNA should be adopted as it will increase voter turnout.		
							Jennifer Foxon	My polling station is Knighton Tennis Centre which is a 45 minute walk from Ferndale Road to get to the entrance of the School. It is then a further 20 to 30 minute walk to get into the polling station. This makes voting discouraging for older		

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24				The polling station is simply in the wrong place.				Young discouraging for older members of the community like myself. If a mobile polling station is provided could it be positioned near the shops on Aberdale Road ?		
							Dennis Foxon	The split of polling district KNA into two parts seems like an excellent idea. The current polling station is very inconvenient. It is not easy to access by public transport from my location and involves a long walk once inside the school premises.		
							Cllr Geoff Whittle	I support the division of polling district KNA into two districts. If a suitable place for a temporary polling station cannot be found within the proposed new KNG then I would like to see a resident provide a temporary polling station in their home.		
							No name supplied	I support the proposals for dividing West Knighton to enable easier access to the polling stations		
							Deborah Perry	Increasing the number of polling stations is positive as it should help increase the numbers of people going to vote as polling stations will be nearer to peoples homes.		
KNB	Knighton Parish Centre, Church Lane, Knighton, LE2 3WG	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the majority of the Ward, subject to the comments regarding the splitting of Polling District KNA		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
KNC	St Thomas More Catholic Church, 75 Knighton Road, LE2 3HN	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
KND	9th Leicester Scout Hut, 58 Stoughton Road, LE2 2EB	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
KNE	Memorial Hall, Holbrook Road, LE2 3LF	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
KNF	Overdale Infant School, Overdale Road, Entrances on	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the six polling districts and five of		Propose existing Polling District &			We have investigated this	Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling

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	Eastcourt Rd And Overdale Rd, LE2 3YA			the polling stations unchanged.		Polling Place remains unchanged	Anne Scott	Please could you move the polling station from Overdale infant school? In terms of security and safeguarding, it causes massive issues for both schools and there are other locations in the area which could be used - st Anne's church, the church hall etc...	suggestion. We are unable to locate St Anne's Church Hall within the polling district and have been unable to identify a suitable alternative.	Place remains unchanged
Saffron - 2 member Ward										
SFA	St Andrews Play Association, Thirlmere Gardens / Walnut Street, LE2 7LA	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward.		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
SFB	Ecumenical Church of The Nativity, Richmond Road, LE2 7PL	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
SFC	Saffron Children, Young People & Family Centre, The Crossway, LE2 6QW	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose to make a slight boundary change to move Asplin Road, Whitwell Row, Melland Place & Southfields Drive properties from SFC into SFD. The existing Polling Place remains unchanged. The alterations can be viewed on the Saffron Ward map on the consultation webpage.				Recommend that boundary for the Polling District be slightly changed to move Asplin Road, Whitwell Row, Melland Place & Southfields Drive properties from SFC into SFD. The existing Polling Place remains unchanged. The alterations can be viewed on the Saffron Ward map.
SFD	Mobile Polling Station, The Linwood Centre, Entrance on Linwood Lane & Meadow Gardens, LE2 6QJ	The use of a mobile is not ideal and we cannot guarantee the mobile site. Suggestions for a suitable permanent building are welcomed.	Leicester South Labour Party	Why cannot guarantee the site as City Council/land building? Propose: Possible mobile on Tick Tock Park/Elston Fields but then would have to move boundary between SFC and SFD Suggested boundary is Elston Fields that currently in SFC The Polling Station has been moved to the Children's Centre on The Crossway since the last review	So long as the site remains a City Council premises, we will continue to use a mobile polling station. Making a slight boundary change between SFC / SFD is considered to be a reasonable proposal.	Propose to make a slight boundary change to move Asplin Road, Whitwell Row, Melland Place & Southfields Drive properties from SFC into SFD. The existing Polling Place remains unchanged. The alterations can be viewed on the Saffron Ward map on				Recommend that boundary for the Polling District be slightly changed to move Asplin Road, Whitwell Row, Melland Place & Southfields Drive properties from SFC into SFD. The existing Polling Place remains unchanged. The alterations can be viewed on the Saffron Ward map.

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				To make it easier to get to the Polling station it is proposed to bring the following streets into SFD: Asplin Rd, Whitwell Row, Melland Place, Southfields Dr (Asplin Rd to Saffron Ln)		the consultation webpage.				
			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.						
				We do not know whether the Linwood Centre would be able to provide part of their building as a polling station.	So long as the site remains a City Council premises, we will continue to use a mobile polling station.					
Spinney Hills - 2 member Ward										
26	SHA Melbourne Hall, Entrance from Melbourne Road, LE2 1DB	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester South Labour Party	Propose: Bible Fellowship Hall, Mere Rd as more central to the PD Issues are the size of SHA in terms of elector numbers & size of SHB in terms of geography It is proposed to split SHA into two PDs to make it easier for electors to vote. The boundary would be Egginton St SHA 1: Includes the current PD except the streets that link to East Park Rd (as far as Egginton St) SHA 2: Streets that link to East Park Rd (as far as Egginton St) and following streets that are currently in SHB: East Park Rd, Bradbourne Rd, Shipley Rd, Rowsley Ave, Kedleston Rd and Staveley Rd. The question for SHA 2 would be location of Polling Station	Bible Fellowship Hall have been contacted but are not able to allow us to use their premises. The constitution of the Fellowship does not currently permit any activity in their hall unless it is religiously connected. No suitable location has been found to accommodate the proposed split of SHA so proposed to leave this district as it currently is.	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward.		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.						

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27	Spinney Hill Primary School & Community Centre, Ventnor Street, LE5 5EZ	The Headteacher has requested that the School isn't used in future as a Polling Station, due to increased class sizes and the impact on the children's education. Suggestions for suitable alternatives are welcomed.	Leicester South Labour Party	Propose: Elections is part of civic education for children. If have to move Polling Station, alternatives are: • The Venue on Gwendolen Road • North Evington Free Church on Linden Street	The Venue on Gwendolen Road has been visited to assess it's suitability. This is a privately owned venue and offers good facilities. This premises would be suitable for a polling station and no further disruption would be necessary to the school. It is also central to the polling district.	Propose that the polling station location is moved to The Venue, Gwendolen Road. The district boundary to remains unchanged.				Recommend that the polling station location is moved to The Venue, Gwendolen Road and the Polling District boundary remains unchanged.
			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged. Alternative polling stations might be the North Evington Deeni Cultural Centre, 298 East Park Road, the Sam Cooper Day Centre, Gwendolen Road, or the North Evington Free Church, Linden Street.	The Venue on Gwendolen Road has been visited to assess it's suitability. This is a privately owned venue and offers good facilities. This premises would be suitable for a polling station and no further disruption would be necessary to the school. It is also central to the					
			Cllr Misbah Batool	The polling station is situated at an ideal place which is easy accessible for elderly and people with disabilities. It is at walking distance for most of the residents. Our constituents are well pleased that the school had been chosen as polling station for many elections. They even requested to hold councillors' surgeries there. I certainly recommend that Spinney Hills Primary school is kept as polling station for the elections to come.	The current polling station is situated in the northwest corner of the district and the Headteacher has requested not to be used in future as this disrupts the school's operation. Alternative sites have been sought and The Venue on Gwendolen Road offers good facilities and is more central to the district.					
SHC	Coleman Primary School, Gwendolen Road, LE5 5FS	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
SHD	Mayflower Methodist Church Hall, Entrance From Ethel Road, LE5 5ND	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged

Stoneygate - 3 member Ward

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STA	Shama Women's Centre, 39-45 Sparkenhoe Street, LE2 0TD	Shama Women's Centre is very small and there is no on street parking available, so this is not ideal for voter's with a disability. I propose that Polling Districts STA & STB be merged to create one Polling District with Trinity Life Church, being the Polling Station for the new area. Comments on this proposal are welcomed.	Leicester South Labour Party	merging STA and STB into one PD with Trinity Life Church being Polling station for the larger PD. Preference is to retain two PDs as Trinity Life Church already a two box Polling Station and is busy. STA had part of Castle added at the last Ward Boundary review. Propose: Old Children & Parents Centre on Saxby Street To increase size of STA it is proposed to move the boundary to Highfield St/Mill Hill Ln	Children's & Parents Centre, Saxby Street has been used before. The venue was small and they were not in favour of being used again. Trinity Life Church on Upper Tichborne Street has been used numerous times and the large hall can accommodate the 2 polling stations that are required.	Propose that Polling Districts STA & STB be merged to create one Polling District with Trinity Life Church being the Polling Station for the newly created District. The alterations can be viewed on the Stoneygate Ward map on the consultation webpage.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward.		Recommend that Polling Districts STA & STB be merged to create one Polling District with Trinity Life Church being the Polling Station for the newly created District. The alterations can be viewed on the Stoneygate Ward map.
			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for Stoneygate, including no change for STC, STD and STE and proposal: to merge STA and STB using the existing STB polling station.						
			Leicester South Labour Party	Propose: Medway Primary School	The policy is to avoid the use of a school if there is a suitable alternative available.					
			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for Stoneygate, including no change for STC, STD and STE and proposal: to merge STA and STB using the existing STB polling station.	Trinity Life Church on Upper Tichborne Street has been used numerous times and the large hall can accommodate the 2 polling stations that are required following the merger of STA / STB.					
STB	Trinity Life Church, Upper Tichborne Street, LE2 1GL									
STC	MKA Dashwood Centre, Dashwood Road, LE2 1PH	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for Stoneygate, including no change for STC, STD and STE		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged

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29	STD Evington Valley Primary School, Evington Valley Road, LE5 5LL	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester South Labour Party	Propose: Evington Community Centre, 27 Kedleston Rd	Evington Community Centre, Kedleston Road has been visited to assess it's suitability. This location would be suitable for a polling station and is central to the polling district and parking is available on site. Whilst the school has not made any request to not be used, a move would remove any possible disruption at future polls.	Propose that The polling station location is moved to Evington Community Centre, Kedleston Road. The district boundary to remain unchanged.				Recommend that The polling station location is moved to Evington Community Centre, Kedleston Road. The district boundary to remain unchanged.
			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for Stoneygate, including no change for STC, STD and STE						
	STE St. Philip's Church Hall, Evington Road, LE2 1HN	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for Stoneygate, including no change for STC, STD and STE		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
Wycliffe - 2 member Ward										
	WYA St. Matthew's Centre, Entrance From Malabar Rd, Main Entrance, LE1 2PD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester South Labour Party	Propose: Taylor Road Primary School	The policy is to avoid the use of a school if there is a suitable alternative available.	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward.		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep WYA and WYD polling districts and stations unchanged.						
	WYB Shree Mandhata Samaj Community Centre, 1 Hartington Road, LE2 0GP	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We propose a change to the boundary between the WYB and WYC polling districts.	This proposal would currently affect 900 electors.	Propose that both polling places (WYB and WYC) remain unchanged. Further propose that the properties west of Vulcan Road and Chatsworth Street be moved from WYC into WYB. All other properties east of Vulcan Road and Chatsworth Street to remain in WYC. The alterations can be viewed on the Wycliffe Ward map on the consultation webpage.				Recommend that both polling places (WYB and WYC) remain unchanged. However, propose that the properties west of Vulcan Road and Chatsworth Street be moved from WYC into WYB. All other properties east of Vulcan Road and Chatsworth Street to remain in WYC. The alterations can be viewed on the Wycliffe Ward map.
	WYC Wesley Hall School Room, Hartington Road, LE2 0GN	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We propose a change to the boundary between the WYB and WYC polling districts. Many electors in WYC live closer to the WYB polling station than to their own. We therefore propose to transfer the area to the west of Vulcan Road and Chatsworth Street from WYC to WYB.						

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WYD	Highfields Centre, 96 Melbourne Road, LE2 0DS	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep WYA and WYD polling districts and stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged

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Abbey - 3 member Ward											
31	ABA	The Tudor Centre, Holderness Road, LE4 2JU	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the seven polling districts and six of the polling stations unchanged. For ABF, we do not know whether St. Margaret's Church, St. Margaret's Way, is available. If not, All Saints' Church is adequate.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward	Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	
	ABB	The Corner Club, Border Drive, LE4 2JD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged			Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	
	ABC	Stocking Farm Community Centre, Entrances From Packwood Road And Marwood Road, LE4 2ED	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged			Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	
	ABD	Community of Christ, 330 Abbey Lane, LE4 2AB	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged			Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	
	ABE	St. Patrick's Parish Centre, Beaumont Leys Lane, LE4 2BD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Jackie Higgins	I think current arrangements work fine although for the past couple of years I have had a postal vote - I do find that is much easier.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
				Sanjay Parmar	Current polling station St Patrick's Parish Centre, Beaumont Leys Lane meet required criteria and no change is required.						
	ABF	All Saints Church, Highcross Street, LE1 4PH	Whilst the Polling Station is adequate, we would welcome suggestions for alternative suitable premises	Leicester Liberal Democrats	Propose: We do not know whether St. Margaret's Church, St. Margaret's Way, is available. If not, All Saints' Church is adequate.	St. Margaret's Church appears not to have a suitable room. ABF is a low electorate district so best option is to retain this premises as the polling station location.	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged			Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	
	ABG	Little Grasshoppers Nursery, Avebury Avenue, LE4 0FQ	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	David Wilkinson	Layout of district and location of polling place look good		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged			Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	
Braunstone Park & Rowley Fields - 3 member Ward											

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BFA	Braunstone Victoria Working Mens Club, Cantrell Road, LE3 1SD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	
BFB	The Oak Centre, Bendbow Rise, LE3 1QA	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
BFC	Blessed Sacrament Church Hall, Gooding Avenue, LE3 1JS	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			Jamie Rennie	Fine							
BFD	Holy Apostles Hall, Fosse Road South, LE3 1AE	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
BFE	The BRITE Centre, Braunstone Avenue, LE3 1LE	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			Cllr Susan Barton	The only comment I wish to make is that the polling station at the Brite Centre is a long walk for less mobile residents in some parts of polling district BFE. Some commented that they thought they had to vote at the school, presumably Folville. If the weather was bad or in a winter election when it is dark, this could have an impact on turn out.	The policy is to avoid the use of a school if there is a suitable alternative available. The BRITE Centre has been used for a number of years without issue.						
BFF	Christ Church Schoolroom, Barbara Road, LE3 2EG	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
BFG	Manor House Community Centre, Entrance From Compton Road, LE3 2BG	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for no change.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged					Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
Beaumont Leys - 3 member Ward											
BLA	Glebelands Primary School, Chancel Road, LE4 2WF	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	

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BLB	Beaumont Lodge Neighbourhood Association Centre, 250 Astill Lodge Road, LE4 1EF	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
BLC	Heatherbrook Primary School - Community Wing, Astill Lodge Road, LE4 1BE	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
BLD	Buswells Lodge Primary School, Beauville Drive, LE4 0PT	The Headteacher has requested that the School isn't used in future as a Polling Station, due to health & safety reasons. I would propose the Polling District be split between Polling Districts BLF & BLG and their respecting Polling Stations be retained.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged. If BLD is to be divided between BLF and BLG, we would propose that the area to the east of Heacham Drive and to the south of Strasbourg Drive be included in BLF, with the remainder in BLG.	BLD to be split, marginally different to this proposal. The proposed change will move 820 electors into BLG and 460 electors into BLF.	Propose Polling District BLD to be split with properties moving into the current districts of BLF and BLG. The current boundary between BLF and BLG to continue northwest along Heacham Drive and along Strasbourg Drive to join the roundabout on Krefeld Way. Properties east of this new boundary (shown pink on map) to fall into BLF, those to the west (shown green on map) to fall into BLG. The alterations can be viewed on the Beaumont Leys Ward map on the				Recommend Polling District BLD be split with properties moving into the current districts of BLF and BLG. The current boundary between BLF and BLG to continue northwest along Heacham Drive and along Strasbourg Drive to join the roundabout on Krefeld Way. Properties east of this new boundary (shown pink on map) to fall into BLF, those to the west (shown green on map) to fall into BLG. The alterations can be viewed on the Beaumont Leys Ward map.
BLE	Home Farm Neighbourhood Centre, Off Strasbourg Drive, LE4 0SU	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
BLF	Barley Croft Community Centre, Malham Close, LE4 0UT	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged.	BLD to be split, marginally different to this proposal. The proposed change will	Propose Polling District BLD to be split with properties moving into the				Recommend Polling District BLD to be split with properties moving into the current districts

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BLG	Milton House, Milton Crescent, LE4 0SX	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged.	move 820 electors into BLG and 460 electors into BLF.	current districts of BLF and BLG. The current boundary between BLF and BLG to continue northwest along Heacham Drive and along Strasbourg Drive to join the roundabout on Krefeld Way. Properties east of this new boundary (shown pink on map) to fall into BLF, those to the west (shown green on map) to fall into BLG. The alterations can be				of BLF and BLG. The current boundary between BLF and BLG to continue northwest along Heacham Drive and along Strasbourg Drive to join the roundabout on Krefeld Way. Properties east of this new boundary (shown pink on map) to fall into BLF, those to the west (shown green on map) to fall into BLG. The alterations can be viewed on the Beaumont Leys Ward map.
34	BLH	Mobile Polling Station, Glenfrith Close, LE3 9QQ	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged. We do not know if one of the Leicester Frith Hospital buildings would be available.	Alternative suitable sites were sought in line with this proposal	No alternative found, propose Polling Place to remain unchanged.				No alternative found, recommend the Polling Place to remain unchanged.
	BLI	Mobile Polling Station, Heathley Park Public House, Heathley Park Drive, LE3 9QE	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged. We do not know if the Lodge at Gilroes Cemetery would be suitable.	Alternative suitable sites were sought in line with this proposal	No alternative found, propose Polling Place to remain unchanged.				No alternative found, recommend the Polling Place to remain unchanged.
	BLJ	Stokes Wood Allotment Society Pavilion, Stokes Drive, LE3 9BS	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep seven polling districts and five polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
Fosse - 2 member Ward										
FSA	Buckminster Road Baptist Church Hall, Entrance From Buckminster Road, LE3 9AT	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the five polling districts and four of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
FSB	Woodgate Resources Centre, 36 Woodgate, LE3 5GE	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the five polling districts and four of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
FSC	Newfoundpool Neighbourhood Centre, Pool Road, LE3 9GH	This building has now been taken over by a private company and is used as a nursery. The company have indicated that we will not be	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the five polling districts and four of the polling stations unchanged.	A visit to Newfoundpool Working Men's Club, Beatrice Road has been made to assess	Propose that the polling station location is moved to Newfoundpool				Recommend that the polling station location is moved to Newfoundpool Working Men's Club,

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		able to use the building as a Polling Station in the future, so suggestions for an alternative suitable building are welcomed.		We do not know if the Newfoundpool Working Men's Club, 55 Beatrice Road, would be suitable.	suitability. A room is available that would be suitable for a polling station.	Working Men's Club, Beatrice Road. The district boundary to remain unchanged.				Beatrice Road. The district boundary to remain unchanged.
			Cllr Ted Cassidy Fosse Ward Councillor	If the Newfoundpool Community Centre is going to be unavailable in future, the only buildings of any size I am aware of in the local area of the Ward are Inglehurst Infants or Inglehurst Primary School or Newfoundpool Working Men's Club, Beatrice Road. I have no further comments on the other polling stations, which all seem to work well. Thank you	A visit to Newfoundpool Working Men's Club, Beatrice Road has been made to assess suitability. A room is available that would be suitable for a polling station. This would avoid the need to approach the local school.					
35 ^{FSD}	Fosse Neighbourhood Centre, Entrance From Mantle Road, LE3 5HG	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the five polling districts and four of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			Catherine Aron	In response to today's email, I write to say that as I live just round the corner, I find Fosse Neighbourhood Centre extremely good as a polling station! Also as a library and brilliant source of information. Let's look after it please.						
FSE	St Paul & St Augustine Worship Centre, 2 Kirby Road, LE3 6BA	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the five polling districts and four of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
			Robin Vallance	My local Labour Party asked me to comment on this. I use St Paul & St Augustine Worship Centre. I am completely happy with it as a polling station. It is close to my home, access is easy for me and staff there have been polite, friendly and helpful.						

Westcotes - 2 member Ward

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WCA	Ukrainian Church Hall, 2a Fosse Road South, LE3 0QD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose to redraw boundary along Westcotes Drive so that the properties between Braunstone Avenue and Fosse Road are moved into WCA from WCB, thus all properties in 1 district. The alterations can be viewed on the Westcotes Ward map on the consultation webpage.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend that the boundary along Westcotes Drive be redrawn so that the properties between Braunstone Avenue and Fosse Road are moved into WCA from WCB, thus all properties in 1 district. The alterations can be viewed on the Westcotes Ward map.
WCB	Robert Hall Baptist Church Hall, Upperton Road, LE3 0PD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose to redraw boundary along Westcotes Drive so that the properties between Braunstone Avenue and Fosse Road are moved from WCB into WCA, thus all properties in 1 district. The alterations can be viewed on the Westcotes Ward map on the consultation webpage.	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Recommend that the boundary along Westcotes Drive be redrawn so that the properties between Braunstone Avenue and Fosse Road are moved into WCA from WCB, thus all properties in 1 district. The alterations can be viewed on the Westcotes Ward map.
			Cllr Sarah Russell	Westcotes Drive is currently split into 3 polling districts - this is confusing for residents - Can we look at making it 2 at most?	Westcotes Drive is currently split over 2 districts, therefore, propose to move the boundary to bring into 1 district only, affecting 20 electors.		Cllr Sarah Russell	Westcotes Drive should be with one polling district to avoid confusion for residents.		Recommend that the boundary along Westcotes Drive be redrawn so that the properties between Braunstone Avenue and Fosse Road are moved into WCA from WCB, thus all properties in 1 district. The alterations can be viewed on the Westcotes Ward map.
WCC	East West Community Centre, 10 Wilberforce Road, LE3 0GT	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Propose the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
WCD	Watershed Community Centre, Bede Island, Upperton Road, LE2 7AU	Dependent on the date of the election, on occasions this Polling Station hasn't been available, because of exams. This has been overcome in the past, by the use of a mobile. However, suggestions for an alternative suitable building are	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep the four polling districts and three of the polling stations unchanged. We do not know if the Westcotes Constitutional Club, 124 Wilberforce Road would be suitable.	Westcotes Constitutional Club is not considered to be suitable.	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the entire Ward		Propose the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
Western - 3 member Ward										
WTA	Mobile Polling Station, Ryder Road, LE3 6UJ	A mobile has been used for this area previously, however this isn't ideal. Additionally, the electorate is very low in this Polling District and I am	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We do not support the proposal to merge WTA and WTB. Kirby Frith is a distinct community from Braunstone Frith.	Braunstone Frith Primary School is central to the community covered by WTA and WTB districts.	It is proposed to merge Polling Districts WTA & WTB, retaining Braunstone Frith	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the majority of the Ward. We still consider that Kirby Frith and	Whilst it may be considered that they are two distinct communities, the school is still central to	Recommend that Polling Districts WTA & WTB be retained, but Braunstone Frith Primary School be used as the Polling

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37		proposing to merge Polling Districts WTA & WTB, retaining Braunstone Frith Primary School as the Polling Station.		Many electors in WTA would face a long walk or drive to vote at Braunstone Frith Primary School. We do not know whether, in the longer run, whether the school will still be available. We have not identified an alternative polling station.	This is considered to be an ideal location and the school does not feel it necessary to close, thus not impacting on the children's attendance.	Primary School as the Polling Station. The alterations can be viewed on the Western Ward map on the consultation webpage.		Braunstone Frith are distinct communities and should be separate polling districts	both these areas and is preferable, to the use of a mobile. However, in order to have the flexibility for the future, should there be any growth of the area or the construction of a suitable community building in WTA, it is recommended that the Polling Districts remain unchanged. Recommend the Polling Place for both WTA & WTB be Braunstone Frith Primary School.	Station for both these Polling Districts. The alterations can be viewed on the Western Ward map.
	WTB	Braunstone Frith Primary School, Liberty Road, LE3 6NN	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep five of the polling districts and stations unchanged. We do not support the proposal to merge WTA and WTB. Kirby Frith is a distinct community from Braunstone Frith.						
			Mr Graham P Wheatley, Leicester West Labour Party	I have a general concern about the use of schools as polling stations, particularly if they are closed for the day. WTB is at Braunstone Frith. I appreciate that there isn't much else there as an alternative.						
WTC	New Parks Methodist Church, Entrance From New Parks Boulevard, LE3 9LD	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep five of the polling districts and stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the majority of the Ward, with the exception of the proposal for WTA & WTB.		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
WTD	New Parks Library, 321 Aikman Avenue, LE3 9PY	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep five of the polling districts and stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
WTE	Early Years Support Centre, New Parks House, Pindar Road, LE3 9RN	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep five of the polling districts and stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged				Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
WTF	St. Anne`s Church Hall, Entrance From Letchworth Road, LE3 6FN	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep five of the polling districts and stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	John Maloney	All good for our household		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged
WTG	Braunstone Avenue Hall, Entrance From Wyngate Drive, LE3 0JH	Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals to keep five of the polling districts and stations unchanged.		Propose existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged	Leicester Liberal Democrats	We support the proposals for the majority of the Ward, with the exception of the proposal for WTA & WTB.		Recommend the existing Polling District & Polling Place remains unchanged

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COUNCIL

14 November 2019

INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE COUNCIL HOUSING – ADDITION OF £70M TO THE HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT CAPITAL PROGRAMME

Report of the Director of Housing

1. Summary

1.1 There is evidence of need for an additional 786 Affordable Housing dwellings in Leicester each year and yet, on average, until recently the city has been securing only 125, despite a range of options being pursued (such options being restricted by Government policy).

1.2 This report seeks approval to add a further £70m to the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) capital programme, to fund the building of more new council housing and the purchase of more market dwellings and/or residential sites to enable more council housing to be made available, to meet the needs of households on the Housing Register. This funding would provide up to 400 new council homes meeting Leicester's letting standard and with affordable rents.

1.3 The approval of this addition to the HRA capital Programme will help achieve the Council's ambitious target of achieving an additional 1,500 new council, social and extra care/supported living homes by 2023.

2. Recommendations

2.1 To approve the addition of £70m to the HRA Capital Programme for the delivery of new homes as described in this report.

2.2 To categorise expenditure on such Affordable Housing as an "immediate start" enabling the Director of Housing to commit expenditure, subject only to the proviso that where spend on an individual site (acquisition of land/buildings and/or construction) exceeds £1m then further formal approval from the City Mayor will be required.

2.3 To note that to give effect to the qualification outlined in paragraph 2.2 above, the City Mayor will amend his Scheme of Delegation so that expenditure on such Affordable Housing will qualify as a "reserved matter" above £1m.

3. Supporting information including options considered:

3.1 Leicester has evidenced need for 786 new units of affordable housing each year (Housing and Economic Needs Assessment, 2017). Since 2015, the city has gained an average of 125 new affordable housing dwellings a year. This means that, on average, the city has been securing only 16% of the new affordable housing it needs each year.

3.2 A range of measures to seek to increase the supply of new affordable housing was reported to the Housing Scrutiny Commission in November 2017, and officers have continued to seek further opportunities. Furthermore, the Council now has an ambitious target of achieving an additional 1,500 new council, social and extra care/supported living homes by 2023.

3.3 A key factor behind the limited progress noted above has been that direct provision of additional affordable housing was severely constrained by Government rules applying a borrowing cap to the HRA. These rules were relaxed from late October 2018 following widespread lobbying, including several direct approaches to Government by the Council. The relaxation has given the HRA much greater freedom to borrow. Hence in the last year, the Council has been able to embark on a significant programme of acquisitions and new build.

3.4 However, it should be noted that some national constraints remain. In particular, the proportion of total costs that can be met by Right to Buy receipts remains at 30%, with on-going lobbying to increase this figure. In addition, the Government's recent and unexpected decision to significantly raise the interest rate on long term borrowing from the Public Works Loans Board may over time increase the on-going costs to the HRA, potentially impacting on the scale of future capital investment that can be afforded.

3.5 Approved investment since March 2018 in new build council homes and acquisitions has amounted to a total approved budget of £37.360m. Much of this has been enabled by the successful campaign to remove the HRA borrowing cap. The approvals are summarised in the table below (figures in £000):

		Acquisition s	New Build	Total
Executive Decision	28/03/2018	£880	£0	
Executive Decision	26/09/2018	£900	£0	
Executive Decision	10/12/2018	£8,000	£0	
Director Approval	14/12/2018	£0	£200	
Total 2018/19 Approvals		£9,780	£200	£9,980
Full Council Executive Decision	20/02/2019	£4,880	£6,200	
Executive Decision	10/06/2019	£7,000	£0	
Executive Decision	16/08/2019	£9,300	£0	

Decision			
	Total 2019/20 Approvals	£21,180	£6,200
			£27,380
	Total Approvals to Date	£30,960	£6,400
			£37,360

3.6 The first phase of the investment has seen significant acquisitions of existing properties, as the quickest way of increasing the number of council homes. As at the end of September, the funding has enabled the purchase of 141 dwellings (and a small residential site), and the Council's offers to be accepted on a further 42 dwellings which are now undergoing conveyancing to Council ownership. Of these 183 properties, 146 are family houses (43 two bed roomed, 101 three bed roomed and 2 five bed roomed), 22 are bedsits, 14 are flats (13 one bed roomed and 1 two bed roomed) and 1 is a 3 bed roomed bungalow.

3.7 Work to identify further properties for acquisition is on-going. Future potential purchase opportunities include:

- i) The purchase of privately-owned dwellings within existing council housing areas;
- ii) The purchase of privately-owned dwellings outside of existing council areas; and
- iii) Other opportunities to meet Affordable Housing needs.

3.8 In addition, Phase 1 of new build council housing is underway, which will see the completion of 29 new build council homes in spring/summer 2020. Phase 2 will see the sites currently being assessed for development potential being brought forward and developed. Delivery of new build homes inevitably takes longer to achieve from start to finish than acquisitions. New build homes are expected to form a significant part of the proposed £70m further investment, now that planning and development is actively underway.

3.9 All newbuilds and purchases are resulting in new council housing, to be held within the HRA and to be let via HomeChoice to people on the Housing Register. The provision of decent, affordable council housing is likely to have positive impacts for households from across all protected characteristics and for households on low incomes. Currently the council owns a total of approximately 20,000 council dwellings and there are 6,000 households on the council's Housing Register. There is currently still a wide range of existing energy efficiency performance across our housing stock and this is likely to impact on our tenants' experience of fuel poverty. The current management and maintenance approach for our HRA dwellings reflects the council's commitment to seek to tackle fuel poverty and climate emergency issues. Housing is one of the largest sources of carbon emissions in Leicester, responsible for 33% of emissions. Following the city council's declaration of a Climate Emergency in 2019, and its aim to achieve carbon neutrality, addressing the emissions from housing is a vital part of the council's efforts to reduce carbon emissions. In line with this and following a 'fabric first' approach, the following works are part of our existing and proposed programme of works for council dwellings:

Existing Programme:

- a. Dwellings bought by the HRA will have works completed prior to letting to

ensure they achieve an average Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) of C. Such works may include the fitting of an up to date and efficient boiler, adequate loft insulation and double-glazed windows;

- b. Where suitably located, the potential for newly acquired dwellings to be connected to the district heating system is explored;
- c. All Phase 1 newbuild council dwellings will meet Building Control requirements in terms of insulation, energy efficiency, etc.

Proposed Programme:

- a. Officers will review the proposals for the 99 new-build council homes in Phase 2 as soon as possible to establish what additional carbon reduction measures might be introduced;
- b. Officers will liaise with East Midlands Housing to seek to review the carbon reduction and energy savings achieved and the benefits experienced by the tenants at Leicester's first Passivehaus development at Heathcott Road and will seek further information on the recently completed Passivehaus council house development at Norwich;
- c. Housing Officers are working with the council's Corporate Environmental Consultant to agree an energy efficiency/carbon reduction standard for all future new build council dwellings, to help address fuel poverty and to reflect the council's aspirations to be an exemplar affordable housing provider.

3.10 As described, the additional £70m now sought for the HRA will provide the approval required to continue with a significant on-going programme of new build and acquisitions. It will also minimise the obligation to repay to the Government unused Right to Buy (RTB) receipts from the sale of council housing properties. It will cover costs including:

- i) Construction of new council homes;
- ii) Purchase of existing privately owned dwellings;
- iii) Purchase of land and other properties suitable for conversion into residential use; and
- iv) Any works required to bring purchased dwellings up to Leicester's letting standard.

3.11 Based on average costs of acquisitions completed to date, this £70m investment should yield up to 400 more new council homes at affordable rents. Therefore, the approval of such funds will enable progress towards the Council's ambitious target of achieving an additional 1,500 new council, social and extra care/supported living homes by 2023.

3.12 To enable the programme to proceed in a timely fashion whilst providing for appropriate on-going governance, it is proposed that further formal approval from the City Mayor should be required where proposed spend on an individual site (acquisition of land / buildings and/or construction) exceeds £1m.

4. Details of Scrutiny

This report is presented to full Council.

5. Financial, legal and other implications

5.1 Financial implications

A £70m addition to the capital programme for council housing at affordable rents is proposed. This follows recent previous approvals for significant investment in acquisition of privately owned properties and development of a new build programme.

Some 30% / £21m would be funded by retained Right to Buy receipts, this being the maximum permitted by the Government.

The 70% / £49m balance would be funded by HRA resources and prudential borrowing, as determined by the Director of Finance. The current intention is that 50% would be funded by borrowing and 20% by allowable debt. This would enable the costs of financing the borrowing to be met from the rental income which would be charged on the additional properties. "Allowable debt" is a separate element of previous right to buy receipts which the Government allows us to spend for capital purposes, or to use to repay existing debt. Use in this way means that the monies are no longer available to repay debt.

The sum of £70m will provide the capital programme approval required to minimise the obligation to make any mandatory repayment of Right to Buy receipts to the Government.

Colin Sharpe, Deputy Director of Finance, ext. 37 4081

5.2 Legal implications

The Council has powers to apply "Right to Buy" receipts in accordance with relevant legislation and guidance and particularly the Local Authorities (Capital Finance and Accounting) (England) Regulations 2003 and subsequent amendments, and the terms of any agreement reached under the Local Government Act 2003 modifying the application of the regulations. This includes using an element of receipts for the purpose of funding the construction and provision of housing. The obligation and criteria for the repayment of unused receipts to the Government are also specified.

In respect of the purchase of properties on the open market (including former "right to buy" properties), the Council has powers to acquire land and property for housing purposes under Sections 9 & 17 of the Housing Act 1985 (as amended). Any acquisition will be subject to the matters to which the titles to the properties are subject and it is advised that appropriate due diligence is undertaken to ensure that the property is suitable for housing purposes.

The Capital Programme (as approved by Full Council) comprises "immediate starts" and Policy Provisions. The former is authorised to proceed without further decision-making, whereas the latter requires a formal decision when ready to proceed. The expenditure under the proposals in this paper would be categorised as "immediate starts". However, for the reasons set out in paragraph 3.12 a de-minimis threshold of £1m is proposed, above which expenditure should be subject to formal decision-making.

As Council will have approved inclusion in the capital programme, such formal decisions will not be “key” under the constitution and will not need advance notice in the forward plan (the call in provisions of the constitution will however still apply). This de minimis threshold will be achieved by the City Mayor making appropriate modifications to his published Scheme of Delegation.

John McIvor, Principal Lawyer, ext. 37-1409

5.3 Climate Change and Carbon Reduction implications

Housing is one of the largest sources of carbon emissions in Leicester, responsible for 33% of emissions. Following the city council’s declaration of a Climate Emergency in 2019, and its aim to achieve carbon neutrality, addressing the emissions from housing is therefore a vital part of the council’s efforts to reduce carbon emissions. In practice, housing will need to become carbon neutral in order for the city as a whole to be carbon neutral.

Where the HRA monies are used to purchase existing housing, all opportunities to improve the energy efficiency of these properties and to reduce their carbon emissions should be investigated. This includes fitting improved insulation, installing energy efficient, low-carbon heating and lighting and installing renewable energy technologies where possible. The ‘fabric first’ approach proposed in the report makes sense because it can reduce fuel poverty at the same time as reducing carbon. So to address the climate emergency it is recommended that all practical insulation measures are implemented now – and that the council seeks to exceed the target of an EPC ‘C’ rating wherever possible. In addition, properties not fitted with low-carbon and renewable systems at this stage will require them in future to become carbon neutral. For example, gas heating systems will ultimately need to be replaced with low carbon alternatives such as heat pumps.

Where new housing is designed and built, the opportunity should be taken to make developments ‘exemplars’ of sustainable and low carbon housing from the outset. Financially, it is cheaper to build to a very low-carbon standard in the first place rather than paying to upgrade the property later. For Leicester to become carbon neutral by or before 2030, any retrofitting of measures to non-exemplar houses would be required before this date to achieve it. An exemplar new house would be designed to require an extremely low amount of energy to run – typically at or close to the ‘Passivhaus’ standard – which would keep bills down for tenants. It would be heated using ultra-low carbon heating such as a ground or air-source heat pump, and would usually generate a proportion of its own energy from solar panels where the site allows. The carbon footprint of the building materials would ideally also be reduced.

Officers from Housing will work with the Sustainability Section of Estates and Business

Services to develop and bring back proposals for carbon reduction from the Phase 2 new-build houses, to address the climate emergency as far as can be achieved within available resources and other constraints.

As well as benefitting Leicester through reducing the city's carbon emissions, this would also significantly reduce energy bills for future tenants and reduce the risk of them falling into fuel poverty.

Aidan Davis, Sustainability Officer, ext. 37 2284 and Duncan Bell, Corporate Environmental Consultant, ext. 37 2249.

5.4 Equalities Implications

Under the Equality Act 2010, public authorities have a Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) which means that, in carrying out their functions, they have a statutory duty to pay due regard to the need to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who don't and to foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who don't.

Protected Characteristics under the Equality Act 2010 are age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation.

The aim of the proposals is to progress towards the council's aim of achieving an additional 1,500 new council, social and extra care/supported living homes by 2023. Therefore, the approval of such funds will likely have positive impacts for households from across all protected characteristics. It is important that inclusive design principles are adhered to. Accessible and inclusive design will support the general aims of the PSED and will be beneficial particularly in removing barriers to participation in public life.

By providing suitable housing, where peoples' needs are met in a community setting there is also potential to better foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

Surinder Singh Equalities Officer, ext. 37 4148

5.5 Other Implications (You will need to have considered other implications in preparing this report. Please indicate which ones apply?)

6. Background information and other papers:

7. Summary of appendices:

None.

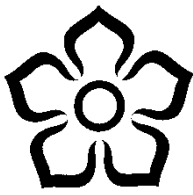
8. Is this a private report (If so, please indicated the reasons and state why it is not in the public interest to be dealt with publicly)?

No.

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All

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Item 8 A

FORWARD TIMETABLE OF CONSULTATION AND MEETINGS:

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

1st October 2019

COUNCIL

14th November 2019

BI-ANNUAL REPORT OF STANDARDS COMMITTEE JULY 2017 - JUNE 2019 ANALYSIS OF CASES REFERRED

Report of the Monitoring Officer

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1. This is the report of the Monitoring officer, dealing with Elected Member complaints for the period 1st July 2017 to 30th June 2019. Council have separately approved and revised two key documents (the “Code” and the “Arrangements”) which, respectively, set out the expected standards of behaviour of Elected Members and the procedural framework under which misconduct allegations are processed.
- 1.2. This report focuses specifically upon the case work that has come to the attention of the Standards Committee during the two years since the last annual report, covering the period 1st July 2017 to 30th June 2019. This report does not purport to deal with the other work undertaken by the Standards Committee in the relevant years (such as the policies it has commissioned, the reviews it has undertaken or the themes it has explored)
- 1.3. The Council has 55 Elected Members (54 Councillors and a directly elected Mayor)

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1. For Standards Committee to note the report and make any recommendations
- 2.2. For Council to note the report

3. **REPORT**

Principles

3.1.1. The principles which underpin the Council’s processes for dealing with Member misconduct complaint remain as follows:

- a. **There should be simplicity to the scheme so that it is easily understood and transparent**
- b. **There should be flexibility at every stage of the process for informal resolution and / or robust decisions to be taken about “no further action”**
- c. **There should be Member involvement at key stages in the process**
- d. **There should be the involvement of Independent Members (IM) and the Independent Person (IP) at key stages of the process**
- e. **The Monitoring Officer should have greater powers to deal with complaints relating to the Code of Conduct**
- f. **Rights for complainants to seek a “review” of a decisions at various stages should be limited, consistent with the reduced scope and severity of allowable outcomes that can be imposed under the new regime**
- g. **At any stage in the process where it is clear that a matter should be referred to the police this should be done and the local investigation should be suspended**

3.2. **Volume**

No. of valid complaints lodged 1st July 2017 to 30th June 2018	6
No. of valid complaints lodged 1st July 2018 to 30th June 2019	8

2017/18

- 3.3. In the period July 2017 to June 2018 six valid complaints were lodged, covering six Elected Members. This means that 49 out of 55 Elected Members did not attract an allegation of misconduct.

2018/19

- 3.4. In the period July 2018 to June 2019 eight valid complaints were lodged covering seven Elected Members. One Elected Member (Councillor K) was complained about twice. This demonstrates that 48 out of 55 Elected Members did not attract an allegation of misconduct.
- 3.5. The reference to “valid” complaints is deliberate, and it is to be noted that 23 actual referrals were made to the Monitoring Officer in 2017/18 and 22 such referrals were made in 2018/19. It follows that of these 45 “contacts” only 14 were complaints that progressed. The reasons for this included:
- Complaint too vague or general to constitute a valid complaint, and when invited by the Monitoring Officer to clarify the nature of the allegation, the prospective complainant declined to engage
 - Complaint revealed as false and malicious
 - Complaint more properly resolved through other action instigated by the Monitoring Officer (e.g. complaint wasn’t about standards, and complaint really only wanted progression/resolution of an operational matter)
 - Complaint already properly dealt with through other channels
 - Elected Member clearly not acting on the business of the Authority at the time (for example, was acting in private capacity on social media, or was acting on party political business)
 - Elected Member(s) decided not to pursue a complaint against another Elected Member following an informal discussion with the Monitoring Officer
- 3.6. In all cases where a prospective complaint is not treated as valid the Monitoring Officer is mindful to assess whether it is just and fair to abandon it, taking an appropriate steer from the Independent Person(s) if appropriate.

3.7. Source of Complaints

2017/18

Complaints from members of the public	4
Complaint from police	1
Complaint from staff member (neighboring LA)	1

2018/19

Complaints from members of the public	5
Complaints from other Elected Members	1
Complaint from LCC staff member	2

3.8. Nature of allegations

2017/18

Behaviour	3
Unhelpfulness	1
Abuse of position	2

2018/19

Behaviour	4
Unhelpfulness	1

Abuse of position	3
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3.9. It is very difficult to draw any inferences from the categories used above due to the small sample size. The anonymized Appendix gives more insight into the nature of the allegations raised in the context of the complaints

3.10. Route

2017/18

Dealt with by I.P. and M.O. (or Deputy M.O.)	3
Concluded after ‘Review’ by M.O. and second I.P	2
Proceeded to Standards Hearing	1

3.11. One case proceeded to a full Standards hearing. This case received media attention in October 2018.

2018/19

Dealt with by I.P. and M.O. (or Deputy M.O)	6
Dealt with after ‘Review’ by M.O. and second I.P	2
Proceeded to Standards Hearing	0

3.12. 100% of cases were dealt with by the Monitoring Officer in conjunction with one of the two Independent Persons. These complaints do not come to the attention of the Standards Committee or the Standards Advisory Board (a sub-committee of the Standards Committee which looks at specific complaints) save by way of anonymized and very brief update at each Standards Committee meeting which is convened throughout the year.

3.13. Of the eight cases, two involved the complainant seeking a “review” of the first-stage decision. The Council’s “Arrangements” allow for this right to be exercised in respect of all

outcomes short of referral for independent investigation. A review is achieved by the Monitoring Officer sending the complaint to the second Independent Person, essentially for a second opinion as to outcome. In both cases taken to review level over the past year, the conclusion was not different to that reached by the first Independent Person in conjunction with the Monitoring Officer. The view of the Monitoring Officer on this is that this demonstrates a broad level of consistency between the Monitoring Officer and the two Independent Persons as to the appropriate threshold and proper use of the Standards regime in individual cases, but also acts as a useful mechanism to test out initial decisions and to explore other avenues which may not have received particular attention when the complaint was first looked at. Indeed, in both cases that proceeded to “review” the second Independent Person raised issues or demonstrated insights into the case from a different perspective, and it is believed that these, when fed back to the complainant, would have underlined the impartiality and integrity of the Arrangements.

3.14. Outcome of allegations

2017/18

Rejected (not related to Code, or covered by another process)	2
Rejected (trivial, no public interest in pursuing, vexatious)	1
Rejected (no potential breach of Code disclosed)	1
Informal resolution (no breach, reparation desirable)	0
Informal resolution (low level breach, undesirable to take further)	1
Standards hearing (outcome of ‘no breach’)	0
Standards hearing (outcome of ‘breach’)	1

2018/19

Rejected (not related to Code, or covered by another process)	1
Rejected (trivial, no public interest in pursuing, vexatious)	1

Rejected (no potential breach of Code disclosed)	4
Informal resolution (no breach, reparation desirable)	0
Informal resolution (low level breach, undesirable to take further)	2
Standards hearing (outcome of ‘no breach’)	0
Standards hearing (outcome of ‘breach’)	0

3.15. Some further detail is to be found in the Appendix. One serious breach of the Code of Conduct was established amongst the 14 allegations. The Councillor found to have breached the Code by (i) failing to show respect; (ii) failing to show leadership and (iii) bringing the Authority into disrepute. This matter has received media attention, and it is not the focus of this report to comment upon individual cases. Since 2012 the law has removed any power to impose sanctions on Elected Members who are found to have breached the Code of Conduct. It follows that whatever power attaches to the Standards regime to expose misconduct, offer restorative justice and guide the behaviour of Elected Members derives from:

- (i) The willingness of Elected Members to reflect upon their own behaviour in cases where they are so inclined; or
- (ii) The public power of censure that attaches to cases that are progressed to Standards Hearing subcommittee.

3.16. Timeliness

The ‘Arrangements’ set the following timeframes:

Complaint received ► Acknowledged to Complainant (within 5 days) ► Acknowledged to Subject Member (within 5 further days) ► Initial filtering decision by M.O. and I.P (within 15 days) ► [Further Fact Finding] ► Outcome letter ► Review (within 15 days of request)

In cases referred for investigation ► Investigation (within 3 months of initial outcome letter) ► Hearing (within 3 months)

3.17. The figures for the number of days taken to deal with a complaint are included within Appendix A. A relevant variable is for cases where an initial filtering decision results in the Monitoring Officer undertaking some more fact finding before an outcome is recommended. This could either entail asking for more details from the complainant, or involve meeting with the Subject Member to discuss the allegations. These are not always achievable within the

ten day window envisaged, though the Monitoring Officer is conscious that “drift” in speedily resolving complaints is of itself harmful.

3.18. The Monitoring Officer is confident that in all cases complainants and Subject Members are communicated with in such a way that they are not left in doubt as to what stage of the process has been reached in dealing with their complaint, and when outcomes will be reached. Where target timescales are likely to be exceeded, it is important to explain this to the parties involved in a complaint, and in those circumstances (where the delay is purposeful) it is more important to maintain contact and dedicate what time is needed to the resolution of the complaint than to comply with rigid timeframes. The ‘Arrangements’ grant a degree of flexibility to the Monitoring Officer to achieve this aim.

3.19. **Cost**

No detailed analysis of the cost of operating the complaints regime has been undertaken, and neither would it be easy to do so. The vast majority of cases are dealt with without recourse to the Standards Advisory Board or a commissioning of any specialist investigations. The work is therefore absorbed within the day-to-day work of the Monitoring Officer in conjunction with one of the two Independent Persons. Most of this work in turn is conducted over e-mail.

4. FINANCIAL, LEGAL AND OTHER IMPLICATIONS

4.1. Financial Implications

None

4.2. Legal Implications

The Council’s regime for dealing with allegations of Elected Member misconduct allegations complies with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011.
(Kamal Adatia, City Barrister, ext 1401).

4.3. Climate Change Implications

None

5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

OTHER IMPLICATIONS	YES/ NO	Paragraph/References Within the Report
Equal Opportunities		
Policy		
Sustainable and Environmental		
Crime and Disorder		
Human Rights Act		
Elderly/People on Low Income		
Corporate Parenting		
Health Inequalities Impact		

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS – LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

7. REPORT AUTHOR

7.1. Kamal Adatia, City Barrister and Head of Standards.

COMPLAINTS UPDATE: 01/07/17 – 30/06/19

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Reference	Subject Member	Complainant	Nature of complaint	Route	Outcome	Turn-around time (days)	Reparation
July 2017 to June 2018							
2017/08	Cllr A	Public	Councillor was disrespectful and unhelpful in pursuing a matter	MO and IP Review by second IP	Rejected – not acting as Councillor in respect of the matter being complained about (political activity) Agrees with initial outcome.	33 days 55 days	
2017/09	Cllr B	Public	Councillor was trying to influence a staffing matter in an organisation	MO and IP	Rejected – not acting as Councillor in respect of the matter being complained about (private capacity, supporting a friend)	41 days	
2018/01	Cllr C	Police officer	Councillor made disparaging remarks about non-UK citizens in the context of Ward complaints	MO and IP	Low level breach coupled with informal resolution – Cllr to monitor use of language, and to offer an immediate apology to the police officer for any offence caused.	27 days	Immediate apology offered and acknowledged
2018/02	Cllr D	Public	Councillor is influencing	MO and IP	Referred to police for criminal		No grounds for

			planning applications (allegation of corrupt practices)		investigation		police to pursue. Allegation found to be malicious, and written under a false name
2018/04	Cllr E	Public	Councillor chairing community meeting was rude and refused participation to complainant	MO and IP Review	No breach disclosed. Councillor chaired the meeting professionally and was entitled to be "robust" when complainant would not curtail her contributions Original outcome upheld	21 days 12 days	
2018/05	Cllr F	Staff	Councillor made racist and offensive remarks before a Police & Crime Panel meeting	Full Hearing	Case proceeded to full hearing. Multiple breaches of the Code of Conduct found – Disrespect; failing to uphold equality; failing to show leadership; bringing the Council into disrepute	Five months	Councillor removed from all outside appointments

July 2018 to June 2019							
2018/06	Cllr G	Staff/Union Rep	Cllr chaired disciplinary panel hearing in a biased and unprofessional manner	MO and IP	Complaint rejected - no potential breach of the Code of Conduct evidenced. Cllr chaired the meeting professionally in circumstances where the complainant's style demanded robustness.	38 days	
2018/07	Cllr H	Staff	Cllr overstepping boundaries by directing Community Centre staff on how to do their work, and being overly critical	MO and IP	Low level breaches of the Code of Conduct – failing to show respect for officers, failing to maintain proper officer/Member boundaries. Conduct was not malicious. Resolved through M.O. advice, and acknowledgement on the part of the Cllr.	Four months	Guidance given by M.O. to Cllr on boundaries, and subsequently incorporated into Member-wide induction training.
2018/08	Cllr I	Public	Cllr bullying complainant and implying that future Ward funding would be withheld	MO and IP Review	Complaint rejected- no breach disclosed. Clash between complainant and Cllr was “party political” in nature and not connected to the business of the Authority. Original outcome upheld.	Six weeks 12 days	Cllr offered to repair relationship with complainant. Complainant disinterested.
2019/03	Cllr J	Public	Cllr failed to	MO and IP	Complaint rejected. Matter was	21 days	

			acknowledge or deal with matter	Review	I.T. related and nothing to do with Ward business. Councillor could not resolve it, and complainant had already separately raised it with officers, and received a reply. Original outcome upheld	15 days	
2019/05	Cllr K	Cllr	Member was rude and aggressive to colleague at Council meeting and at site visit	MO and IP	Complaint rejected – exchange at Council meeting was appropriate in tone and content. Exchange at site visit was mutually heated and one between political colleagues rather than in a Councillor capacity		
2019/06	Cllr K	Public	Cllr's election leafleting improperly utilised Council resources for political purposes	MO and IP	Complaint rejected. Two leaflets were promotional but made no reference to forthcoming Elections. Self-promotion (at party-political expense) is not improper. The third leaflet was produced for the Election and no Council contact information was included, and the title "Cllr" was removed.	14 days	
2019/11	Cllr L	Public	Organisation of which Cllr is a Trustee has	MO and IP	Complaint rejected. No evidence that Cllr aware of the	8 days	

			posted homophobic and offensive commentary		offensive commentary. Cllr cannot be guilty by mere association. Furthermore, Cllr not acting in official capacity as a Cllr when exercising Trustee role.		
2019/12	Cllr M	Public	Cllr failing to declare income streams and gifts on Register of Interests	MO and IP	Low level breach not warranting further investigation. Cllr misunderstood some of the guidance on declaring interests, whilst some of the alleged activity was unfounded	27 days	Cllr updated and published revised Register, and received fuller guidance on "interests" from the M.O.

