



# **Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations Review**

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals

October 2023

Introduction:

Charnwood Borough Council has been conducting a review of polling districts and polling places in accordance with the provisions of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013. Borough wards must be sub-divided into smaller geographical areas called polling districts. Each polling district has a polling place where the polling station for the district is located and where electors living in the district will vote.

This report considers each polling district, polling place and polling station under the current arrangements and the (Acting) Returning Officer (ARO) has, where applicable, considered known issues during the preparation of this document. It should also be noted that this review is only concerned with the internal polling district boundaries. The ward boundaries have been ratified by Parliament and cannot be changed.

All of the polling stations currently used have been visited by a Council Officer for risk assessment purposes and these comments have also been taken into consideration.

The ARO is proposing to keep the existing polling arrangements where they remain suitable and to make changes only where circumstances require. The intention is not to make changes unless they are needed and justified.

### **Background:**

In order to satisfy the requirements of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013, Charnwood Borough Council is required to complete a full statutory review of all polling districts and polling places. Reviews are required to be held within the period of 16 months that starts on 1<sup>st</sup> October of every fifth year after 1<sup>st</sup> October 2013. Therefore, the next compulsory review must be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025.

This report considers the final recommendations made by the Boundary Commission for England (BCE) in June 2023. The BCE are an independent and impartial public body who have recently undertaken a review of Parliamentary constituency boundaries in England. The BCE will only consider local government boundaries that existed on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020. This means that the recent recommendations made by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) in reviewing the electoral wards of Charnwood, which came into force following The Charnwood (Electoral Changes) Order 2022, were not considered by the BCE.

### **Guidelines:**

The following considerations have been taken into account when drawing up these proposals. The first two considerations are required by electoral law; the other considerations are guidelines and not strict rules.

- The Council must seek to ensure that all electors have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances.
- The Council must seek to ensure that so far as is reasonable and practicable every polling place is accessible to electors who are disabled.

- Ideally, the polling place should be in its own polling district. A polling place is the building or area in which a polling station will be selected by the ARO. Polling places should be within the polling district unless special circumstances make it desirable to designate an area outside the district, such as circumstances where there are no suitable venues in the polling district.
- Ideally, there should be no more than 2,250 electors voting in person at the polling station which falls in line with the recommendations of the Electoral Commission (EC).
- Preferably, no polling place should be shared by two wards.
- Polling places should be “logical”; that is, electors should not have to pass another polling place to get to their own place.
- Schools should only be used where there is no other suitable permanent building available, due to the potential disruption which can be caused to pupils.
- Portakabins (Mobile Units) should only be used where there is no other reasonable option, as these are costly to operate.

### **The Tables:**

This report deals with each borough ward separately. For existing polling arrangements, the tables show:

- The polling district.
- The UK parliamentary constituency proposed by the BCE.
- The polling place.
- The current polling station building(s).
- The number of electors (excluding absent voters) as of 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 (the most recent monthly update).
- Indication of whether there are access concerns and what those concerns are. It should be noted that although the polling stations show a comment of “no”, this does not necessarily mean that access is ideal, but that any shortcomings can be dealt with by the provision of equipment, such as ramps, and by the polling station staff at the time of an election.
- Indication of whether there are electorate concerns where the number of voters in person exceeds 2,250.

- Indication of whether there are other concerns, such as poor heating/lighting. It should be noted that although the polling stations show a comment of “no”, this does not necessarily mean that there are no concerns, but that any shortcomings can be dealt with by the provision of equipment and by the polling station staff at the time of an election.
- Any comments or proposals being made by the ARO.

**Existing Arrangements:**

Anstey						2-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
CA1	Mid Leicestershire CC	Jubilee Hall Station Road, Anstey	Jubilee Hall Station Road, Anstey	2,526	NO	YES	NO
CA2	Mid Leicestershire CC	Woollen Hill Primary School Netherfield Road, Anstey	Woollen Hill Primary School Netherfield Road, Anstey	2,501	NO	YES	YES

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The ARO proposes to retain the two separate polling districts within the Anstey ward in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District CA1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Jubilee Hall as a polling place for electors in Polling District CA1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment at Jubilee Hall.

**Polling District CA2:** The ARO recognises that there were issues with using Woollen Hill Primary School as a polling place for the local elections in May 2023, particularly with regards to the parking facilities. As a result, the ARO is currently seeking to identify an alternative polling place for the electors in Polling District CA2. The ARO considers that Jubilee Hall is a suitable polling place to accommodate more than one polling station. Electors from Polling District CA1 could vote at one polling station in Jubilee Hall and electors in Polling District CA2 could vote in a second polling station in this polling place. Although the ARO recognises that both polling stations in Jubilee Hall would exceed the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within both polling stations by the provision of additional staff and equipment at Jubilee Hall. Therefore, the ARO proposes that Jubilee Hall is a suitable polling place for both Polling District CA1 and Polling District CA2.

Barrow Upon Soar						2-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
Z1	Loughborough CC	<b>Barrow Scout Hut</b> Grove Lane, Barrow Upon Soar	<b>Barrow Scout Hut</b> Grove Lane, Barrow Upon Soar	2,290	NO	YES	NO
Z2	Loughborough CC	<b>Barrow Methodist Church</b> North Street, Barrow Upon Soar	<b>Barrow Methodist Church</b> North Street, Barrow Upon Soar	2,001	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling District Z1:** The ARO proposes to retain Barrow Scout Hut as a polling place for electors in Polling District Z1. Barrow Scout Hut was used as a polling place for the first time at the local elections in May 2023 and feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment at Barrow Scout Hut.

**Polling District Z2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Barrow Methodist Church as a polling place for electors in Polling District Z2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

<b>Birstall East &amp; Wanlip</b>						<b>2-member Ward</b>	
<b>Polling District</b>	<b>UK Parliamentary Constituency</b>	<b>Polling Place</b>	<b>Polling Station</b>	<b>Electorate</b>	<b>Access concerns?</b>	<b>Electorate concerns?</b>	<b>Other concerns?</b>
<b>CF</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Birstall Village Hall</b> Birstall Road, Birstall	<b>Birstall Village Hall</b> Birstall Road, Birstall	638	NO	NO	NO
<b>CG</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>St. Margaret's Co-Operative Club</b> Bowls Pavilion, Birstall Road, Birstall	<b>St. Margaret's Co-Operative Club</b> Bowls Pavilion, Birstall Road, Birstall	722	NO	NO	NO
<b>CH</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>St. Theresa's Church Hall</b> 53 Front Street, Birstall	<b>St. Theresa's Church Hall</b> 53 Front Street, Birstall	1,182	NO	NO	NO
<b>CI</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Birstall Methodist Church</b> Wanlip Lane, Birstall	<b>Birstall Methodist Church</b> Wanlip Lane, Birstall	1,843	NO	NO	NO
<b>DH1</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Church and Community Hall</b> Church Road, Wanlip	<b>Church and Community Hall</b> Church Road, Wanlip	124	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling District CF:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Birstall Village Hall as a polling place for electors in Polling District CF as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CG:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain St. Margaret's Co-Operative Club as a polling place for electors in Polling District CG as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CH:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain St Theresa's Church Hall as a polling place for electors in Polling District CH as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CI:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Birstall Methodist Church as a polling place for electors in Polling District CI as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District DH1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Church and Community Hall in Wanlip is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District DH1 and Polling District DH2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.



Birstall West						2-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
CC	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Birstall District Guide H.Q.</b> , Johnson Road, Birstall	<b>Birstall District Guide H.Q.</b> , Johnson Road, Birstall	1,620	NO	NO	NO
CD	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Highcliffe C.P. School Car Park</b> Greengate Lane, Birstall	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Highcliffe C.P. School Car Park</b> Greengate Lane, Birstall	1,597	NO	NO	NO
CE	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Hallam Fields Hall</b> Hallam Fields Road, Birstall	<b>Hallam Fields Hall</b> Hallam Fields Road, Birstall	1,340	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling District CC:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Birstall District Guide H.Q. as a polling place for electors in Polling District CC as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CD:** Mobile Units are costly to operate and therefore, the ARO has reviewed current arrangements and investigated the possibility of using a permanent building within Polling District CD. However, there was no obvious alternative building within or close to the polling district area to designate as a polling place. Therefore, the ARO proposes that it is necessary to retain the Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Highcliffe C.P. School as a polling place and temporary polling station for electors in Polling District CD. The Mobile Unit was used as a polling place in May 2021 and May 2023 and feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CE:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Hallam Fields Hall as a polling place for electors in Polling District CE as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

Dishley, Hathern & Thorpe Acre						3-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
<b>AE1/AF1</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>St Peter &amp; St Paul's Church</b> Church Street, Hathern	<b>St Peter &amp; St Paul's Church</b> Church Street, Hathern	1	NO	NO	NO
<b>D</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Gorse Covert Community Centre</b> Maxwell Drive, Loughborough	<b>Gorse Covert Community Centre</b> Maxwell Drive, Loughborough	1,611	NO	YES	NO
<b>E</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Gorse Covert Community Centre</b> Maxwell Drive, Loughborough	<b>Gorse Covert Community Centre</b> Maxwell Drive, Loughborough	983	NO	YES	NO
<b>F1</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>St Peter &amp; St Paul's Church</b> Church Street, Hathern	<b>St Peter &amp; St Paul's Church</b> Church Street, Hathern	1,483	NO	NO	NO
<b>F2</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>St Peter &amp; St Paul's Church</b> Church Street, Hathern	<b>St Peter &amp; St Paul's Church</b> Church Street, Hathern	11	NO	NO	NO
<b>G1A</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Thorpe Acre Church Centre</b> Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough	<b>Thorpe Acre Church Centre</b> Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough	1,582	NO	NO	NO
<b>G2</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>St Peter &amp; St Paul's Church</b> Church Street, Hathern	<b>St Peter &amp; St Paul's Church</b> Church Street, Hathern	3	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling Districts AE1/ AF1, F1, F2, G2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. St Peter & St Paul's Church is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AE1/AF1, Polling District F1, Polling District F2 and Polling District G2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing multiple polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District D and Polling District E:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate by the provision of additional staff and equipment at Gorse Covert Community Centre. Therefore, the ARO proposes that the Gorse Covert Community Centre is a suitable polling place for both Polling District D and Polling District E as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District G1A:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Thorpe Acre Church Centre as a polling place for electors in Polling District G1A as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing multiple polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

Forest Bradgate						1-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
CM1	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>The Linford</b> 66 Main Street, Newtown Linford	<b>The Linford</b> 66 Main Street, Newtown Linford	701	NO	NO	NO
CM2	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>The Linford</b> 66 Main Street, Newtown Linford	<b>The Linford</b> 66 Main Street, Newtown Linford	62	NO	NO	NO
DI	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Village Hall</b> 50 Main Street, Woodhouse Eaves	<b>Village Hall</b> 50 Main Street, Woodhouse Eaves	1,067	NO	NO	NO
DJ1	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Woodhouse Community Hall</b> 207 Forest Road, Woodhouse	<b>Woodhouse Community Hall</b> 207 Forest Road, Woodhouse	236	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling District CM1 and Polling District CM2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Linford is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CM1 and Polling District CM2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District DI:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the Village Hall in Woodhouse Eaves as a polling place for electors in Polling District DI as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District DJ1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Woodhouse Community Hall as a polling place for electors in Polling District DJ1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

Loughborough Ashby						3-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
<b>A</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>'The Hut'</b> 14 Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	<b>'The Hut' (Main Hall)</b> 14 Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	1,606	NO	NO	NO
<b>B</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Loughborough University Campus</b> Epinal Way, Loughborough	<b>'The Treehouse', Loughborough Students' Union</b> Union Building, Ashby Road, Loughborough	609	NO	NO	NO
<b>C</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Thorpe Acre Church Centre</b> Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough	<b>Thorpe Acre Church Centre</b> Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough	251	NO	NO	NO
<b>G1B</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Thorpe Acre Church Centre</b> Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough	<b>Thorpe Acre Church Centre</b> Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough	659	NO	NO	NO
<b>H</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>'The Hut'</b> 14 Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	<b>'The Hut' (Second Room)</b> 14 Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	1,186	NO	NO	NO
<b>M2</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>'The Hut'</b> 14 Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	<b>'The Hut' (Second Room)</b> 14 Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	6	NO	NO	NO
<b>O</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Loughborough University Campus</b> Epinal Way, Loughborough	<b>'The Treehouse', Loughborough Students' Union</b> Union Building,	273	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling District A:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain 'The Hut' as a polling place for electors in Polling District A as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. 'The Hut' is a suitable polling place to accommodate more than one polling station. For the election in May 2023, electors from Polling District A voted at one polling station in 'The Hut' (Main Hall) and electors in Polling District H and Polling District M2 voted in a second polling station in 'The Hut' (Second Room). Feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling Districts B and Polling District O:** 'The Treehouse' was used for the first time as a polling station for the local elections in May 2023. The ARO acknowledges that there were some issues reported with this polling station, namely the point of access to 'The Treehouse'. The ARO proposes to change the point of access to ensure that both entrances of 'The Treehouse' are used on polling day. The ARO will provide additional polling station signage to mitigate any potential confusion regarding the two points of access. As a result, the ARO proposes that 'The Treehouse' is a suitable polling station for electors in Polling District B and Polling District O. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District C and Polling District G1B:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Thorpe Acre Church Centre as a polling place for electors in Polling District C and Polling District G1B as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing multiple polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District H and Polling District M2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. 'The Hut' is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District H and Polling District M2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. 'The Hut' is a suitable polling place to accommodate more than one polling station. For the election in May 2023, electors from Polling District A voted at one polling station in 'The Hut' (Main Hall) and electors in Polling District H and Polling District M2 voted in a second polling station in 'The Hut' (Second Room). Feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

Loughborough East						3-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
I1	Loughborough CC	<b>The Moira Adult Learning Centre</b> Moira Street, Loughborough	<b>The Moira Adult Learning Centre</b> Moira Street, Loughborough	1,586	NO	NO	NO
J1	Loughborough CC	<b>Mobile Unit in Charnwood Water Car Park</b> Tuckers Road, Loughborough	<b>Mobile Unit in Charnwood Water Car Park</b> Tuckers Road, Loughborough	2,320	NO	YES	NO
K1A1	Loughborough CC	<b>Fearon Hall</b> Rectory Road, Loughborough	<b>Fearon Hall</b> Rectory Road, Loughborough	1,536	NO	NO	NO
K1A2	Loughborough CC	<b>Fearon Hall</b> Rectory Road, Loughborough	<b>Fearon Hall</b> Rectory Road, Loughborough	1,613	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling District I1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Moira Adult Learning Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District I1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District J1:** Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment. Mobile Units are costly to operate and therefore, the ARO has reviewed current arrangements and investigated the possibility of using a permanent building within Polling District J1. However, there was no obvious alternative building within or close to the polling district area to designate as a polling place. Therefore, the ARO proposes that it is necessary to retain the Mobile Unit in Charnwood Water Car Park as a polling place and



temporary polling station for electors in Polling District J1. The Mobile Unit was used as a polling place for the local elections in May 2023 and feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District K1A1 and Polling District K1A2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Fearon Hall is a suitable polling place to accommodate more than one polling station. For the election in May 2023, electors from Polling District K1A1 had voted at one polling station in Fearon Hall and electors in Polling District K1A2 had voted in a second polling station in this polling place. Feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

Loughborough Nanpantan						1-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
<b>M1</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Holywell Free Church</b> Berkeley Road, Loughborough	<b>Holywell Free Church</b> Berkeley Road, Loughborough	2,042	NO	YES	NO
<b>N</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Holywell Free Church</b> Berkeley Road, Loughborough	<b>Holywell Free Church</b> Berkeley Road, Loughborough	262	NO	YES	NO

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**Polling District M1 and Polling District N:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Holywell Free Church is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District M1 and Polling District N as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required. Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment in Holywell Free Church.

Loughborough Outwoods & Shelthorpe						3-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
<b>P</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Brush Bowls Club</b> Watermead Lane, Loughborough	<b>Brush Bowls Club</b> Watermead Lane, Loughborough	1,329	NO	NO	NO
<b>Q</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Greenfields Sports and Social Club</b> Holt Drive, Loughborough	<b>Greenfields Sports and Social Club</b> Holt Drive, Loughborough	1,980	NO	NO	YES
<b>R2</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Good Shepherd Church Hall</b> Park Road, Loughborough	<b>Good Shepherd Church Hall</b> Park Road, Loughborough	11	NO	NO	NO
<b>S1</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Good Shepherd Church Hall</b> Park Road, Loughborough	<b>Good Shepherd Church Hall</b> Park Road, Loughborough	1,842	NO	NO	NO
<b>T</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Beacon Academy</b> Woodthorpe Road, Loughborough	<b>Youth Centre, Beacon Academy</b> Woodthorpe Road, Loughborough	1,128	NO	NO	NO
<b>W2</b>	Loughborough CC	<b>Beacon Academy</b> Woodthorpe Road, Loughborough	<b>Youth Centre, Beacon Academy</b> Woodthorpe Road, Loughborough	106	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling District P:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain Brush Bowls Club as a polling place for electors in Polling District P. Brush Bowls Club was used as a polling place for the first time at the local elections in May 2023 and feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District Q:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Greenfields Sports and Social Club is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District Q as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District R2 and Polling District S1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Good Shepherd Church Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District R2 and Polling District S1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District T and Polling District W2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Beacon Academy is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District T and Polling District W2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

Loughborough Southfields						2-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
I2	Loughborough CC	<b>Emmanuel Church Centre</b> Forest Road, Loughborough	<b>Emmanuel Church Centre</b> Forest Road, Loughborough	64	NO	NO	NO
K1B	Loughborough CC	<b>Polish Community Centre</b> William Street Entrance, Loughborough	<b>Polish Community Centre</b> William Street Entrance, Loughborough	108	NO	NO	NO
V	Loughborough CC	<b>Polish Community Centre</b> William Street Entrance, Loughborough	<b>Polish Community Centre</b> William Street Entrance, Loughborough	1,517	NO	NO	NO
W1	Loughborough CC	<b>Emmanuel Church Centre</b> Forest Road, Loughborough	<b>Emmanuel Church Centre</b> Forest Road, Loughborough	1,766	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling District I2 and Polling District W1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Emmanuel Church Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District I2 and Polling District W1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District K1B and Polling District V:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Polish Community Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District K1B and Polling District V as feedback indicates that this polling place provides

reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

Loughborough Storer						2-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
K1C	Loughborough CC	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Lidl Supermarket</b> Station Avenue, Loughborough	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Lidl Supermarket</b> Station Avenue, Loughborough	89	NO	NO	NO
L	Loughborough CC	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Lidl Supermarket</b> Station Avenue, Loughborough	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Lidl Supermarket</b> Station Avenue, Loughborough	713	NO	NO	NO
X	Loughborough CC	<b>Loughborough Methodist Church</b> 106 Knightthorpe Road, Loughborough	<b>Loughborough Methodist Church</b> 106 Knightthorpe Road, Loughborough	1,690	NO	NO	NO
Y	Loughborough CC	<b>St Peter's Centre</b> Storer Road, Loughborough	<b>St Peter's Centre</b> Storer Road, Loughborough	1,373	NO	NO	NO

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**Polling District K1C and Polling District L:** Mobile Units are costly to operate and therefore, the ARO has reviewed current arrangements and investigated the possibility of using a permanent building within the polling districts. However, there is no obvious alternative building within or close to the polling district areas to designate as a polling place. Therefore, the ARO proposes that it is necessary to retain the Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Lidl Supermarket as a polling place and temporary polling station for electors in Polling District K1C and Polling District L. The Mobile Unit was used as a polling place in May 2021 and May 2023 and feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. In light of the BCE's review of Parliamentary constituency boundaries, the ARO intends to change the polling district reference from Polling District 'L' to Polling District 'L1'. With cross boundary considerations in mind, the ARO will amend the polling district reference to ensure

that there are no duplicate elector numbers in the constituency as Polling District 'L' is used as a polling district reference by both Charnwood Borough Council and Blaby District Council.

**Polling District X:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Loughborough Methodist Church is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District X as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District Y:** The ARO proposes to retain St Peter's Centre as a polling place for electors in Polling District Y. St Peter's Centre was used as a polling place for the first time at the local elections in May 2023 and feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.



Loughborough Woodthorpe						1-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
DJ2	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>The Arc Community Hub</b> Knox Road, Loughborough	<b>The Arc Community Hub</b> Knox Road, Loughborough	41	NO	YES	NO
R1	Loughborough CC	<b>The Arc Community Hub</b> Knox Road, Loughborough	<b>The Arc Community Hub</b> Knox Road, Loughborough	1,572	NO	YES	NO
S2	Loughborough CC	<b>The Arc Community Hub</b> Knox Road, Loughborough	<b>The Arc Community Hub</b> Knox Road, Loughborough	176	NO	YES	NO
U	Loughborough CC	<b>The Arc Community Hub</b> Knox Road, Loughborough	<b>The Arc Community Hub</b> Knox Road, Loughborough	753	NO	YES	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District DJ2:** Despite the fact that the LGBCE's review of the electoral wards of Charnwood placed the 25 properties on Alan Turing Road within the Loughborough Woodthorpe ward, alongside the other properties on Alan Turing Road, these properties remain in a different County Division and UK Parliamentary Constituency. As a result, the 25 properties on Alan Turing Road must remain in a separate polling district. No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Arc Community Hub is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District DJ2, Polling District R1, Polling District S2 and Polling District U.

**Polling Districts R1, S2, U:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Arc Community Hub is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District DJ2, Polling District R1, Polling District S2 and Polling District U. The Arc Community Hub was used as a

polling place for multiple polling districts for the first time at the local elections in May 2023 and feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment at The Arc Community Hub.

Mountsorrel						2-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
CL1	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Mountsorrel Memorial Centre</b> 105 Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	<b>The Auditorium, Mountsorrel Memorial Centre</b> 105 Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	2,302	NO	YES	NO
CL2	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Mountsorrel Memorial Centre</b> 105 Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	<b>The Auditorium, Mountsorrel Memorial Centre</b> 105 Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	2,278	NO	YES	NO
CL3	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Mountsorrel Memorial Centre</b> 105 Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	<b>The Auditorium, Mountsorrel Memorial Centre</b> 105 Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	207	NO	YES	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling Districts CL1, CL2, CL3:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Mountsorrel Memorial Centre is a suitable polling place to accommodate more than one polling station. For the election in May 2023, electors from Polling District CL1 and CL3 had voted at one polling station in Mountsorrel Memorial Centre and electors in Polling District CL2 had voted in a second polling station in this polling place. Feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment at Mountsorrel Memorial Centre.

Quorn & Mountsorrel Castle						2-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
AC1	Loughborough CC	<b>Parish Rooms</b> Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	<b>Parish Rooms</b> Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	455	NO	NO	NO
AC2	Loughborough CC	<b>Parish Rooms</b> Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	<b>Parish Rooms</b> Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	426	NO	NO	NO
AD1	Loughborough CC	<b>Quorn Football Club</b> Farley Way, Quorn	<b>The Clubhouse, Quorn Football Club</b> Farley Way, Quorn	2,078	NO	NO	NO
AD2	Loughborough CC	<b>Village Hall</b> 64 Leicester Road, Quorn	<b>Village Hall</b> 64 Leicester Road, Quorn	1,668	NO	NO	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District AC1 and Polling District AC2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Parish Rooms is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AC1 and Polling District AC2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District AD1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Quorn Football Club is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AD1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District AD2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Village Hall in Quorn is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AD2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

Rothley Brook						3-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
<b>CQ1</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Rothley Village Hall</b> 2 Fowke Street, Rothley	<b>Rothley Village Hall</b> 2 Fowke Street, Rothley	1,714	NO	NO	NO
<b>CQ2</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>The Rothley Centre</b> 12 Mountsorrel Lane, Rothley	<b>The Lecture Room, The Rothley Centre</b> 12 Mountsorrel Lane, Rothley	1,816	NO	NO	NO
<b>CT</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Swithland Memorial Hall</b> Main Street, Swithland	<b>Room at rear of Swithland Memorial Hall</b> Main Street, Swithland	166	NO	NO	NO
<b>DA</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Cropston Chapel</b> Station Road, Cropston	<b>Schoolroom r/o Cropston Chapel</b> Station Road, Cropston	790	NO	NO	NO
<b>DB</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>All Saints' Church</b> Anstey Lane, Thurcaston	<b>The Harrison Room, All Saints' Church</b> Anstey Lane, Thurcaston	608	NO	NO	NO
<b>DH2</b>	Mid Leicestershire CC	<b>Church and Community Hall,</b> Church Road, Wanlip	<b>Church and Community Hall,</b> Church Road, Wanlip	1	NO	NO	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District CQ1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the two separate polling districts within Rothley in order to comply with EC recommendations. Rothley Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CQ1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CQ2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the two separate polling districts within Rothley in order to comply with EC recommendations. The Rothley Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CQ2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CT:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Swithland Memorial Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CT as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District DA:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Cropston Chapel is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District DA as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District DB:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. All Saints' Church is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District DB as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District DH2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Church and Community Hall in Wanlip is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District DH2 and Polling District DH1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

Shepshed East						2-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
AE	Loughborough CC	<b>Bethesda Chapel</b> Hind Leys, Forest Street, Shepshed	<b>Bethesda Chapel</b> Hind Leys, Forest Street, Shepshed	2,316	NO	YES	NO
AF	Loughborough CC	<b>Shepshed Word of Life Church</b> Kirkhill, Shepshed	<b>Shepshed Word of Life Church</b> Kirkhill, Shepshed	2,093	NO	YES	NO
AG2	Loughborough CC	<b>Shepshed Word of Life Church</b> Kirkhill, Shepshed	<b>Shepshed Word of Life Church</b> Kirkhill, Shepshed	161	NO	YES	NO
AH2	Loughborough CC	<b>Shepshed Word of Life Church</b> Kirkhill, Shepshed	<b>Shepshed Word of Life Church</b> Kirkhill, Shepshed	306	NO	YES	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District AE:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Bethesda Chapel is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AE as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment at Bethesda Chapel.

**Polling Districts AF, AG2 and AH2:** The ARO proposes to retain Shepshed Word of Life Church as a polling place for electors in Polling District AF, Polling District AG2 and Polling District AH2. Shepshed Word of Life Church was used as a polling place for the first time at the local elections in May 2023 and feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Although the ARO recognises

that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment at Shepshed Word of Life Church.



Shepshed West						2-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
AG1	Loughborough CC	<b>Shepshed Town Council Offices</b> 47a Charnwood Road, Shepshed	<b>Shepshed Town Council Offices</b> 47a Charnwood Road, Shepshed	1,993	NO	NO	NO
AH1	Loughborough CC	<b>Glenmore Community Centre</b> Thorpe Road, Shepshed	<b>Glenmore Community Centre</b> Thorpe Road, Shepshed	2,696	NO	YES	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District AG1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Shepshed Town Council Offices is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AG1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District AH1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Glenmore Community Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AH1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment at Glenmore Community Centre.

Sileby & Seagrave						3-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
AI	Melton and Syston CC	<b>St Gregory's Social Centre</b> (Behind Church), 24 The Banks, Sileby	<b>St Gregory's Social Centre</b> (Behind Church), 24 The Banks, Sileby	2,816	NO	YES	NO
AJ	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Sileby Memorial Hall</b> Seagrave Road, Sileby	<b>Sports Pavilion, Sileby Memorial Hall</b> Seagrave Road, Sileby	2,643	NO	YES	NO
AK	Loughborough CC	<b>Sileby Community Centre</b> High Street, Sileby	<b>Sileby Community Centre</b> High Street, Sileby	310	NO	NO	NO
CR	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Village Hall</b> Green Lane, Seagrave	<b>Village Hall</b> Green Lane, Seagrave	380	NO	NO	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District AI:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. St Gregory's Social Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AI as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Although the ARO recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment at St Gregory's Social Centre.

**Polling District AJ:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Sileby Memorial Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AJ as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Although the ARO

recognises that this polling station exceeds the EC's recommendations, the ARO proposes to deal with any concern regarding the size of the electorate within this polling station by the provision of additional staff and equipment at Sileby Memorial Hall.

**Polling District AK:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Sileby Community Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AK as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CR:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Village Hall in Seagrave is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CR as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

South Charnwood						1-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
CB1	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Barkby Village Hall</b> 19 Beeby Road, Barkby	<b>Jubilee Room Barkby Village Hall</b> 19 Beeby Road, Barkby	205	NO	NO	NO
CB2	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Barkby Village Hall</b> 19 Beeby Road, Barkby	<b>Jubilee Room Barkby Village Hall</b> 19 Beeby Road, Barkby	31	NO	NO	NO
CB3	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Barkby Village Hall</b> 19 Beeby Road, Barkby	<b>Jubilee Room Barkby Village Hall</b> 19 Beeby Road, Barkby	51	NO	NO	NO
CB4	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Mobile Unit at the end of Goldsborough Close</b> Hamilton Lea	<b>Mobile Unit at the end of Goldsborough Close</b> Hamilton Lea	446	NO	NO	NO
DE2	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Barkby Village Hall</b> 19 Beeby Road, Barkby	<b>Jubilee Room Barkby Village Hall</b> 19 Beeby Road, Barkby	56	NO	NO	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling Districts CB1, CB2, CB3:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Barkby Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CB1, Polling District CB2, Polling District CB3 and Polling District DE2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing multiple polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District CB4:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The ARO proposes to retain the Mobile Unit at the end of Goldsborough Close in Hamilton Lea as a polling place and temporary polling station for electors in Polling District CB4. The Mobile Unit was sited at the end of Goldsborough Close for the first time at the local elections in May 2023 and feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District DE2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Barkby Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CB1, Polling District CB2, Polling District CB3 and Polling District DE2. Despite this polling place containing multiple polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations. The ARO proposes that Barkby Village Hall is a suitable polling place and polling station for electors in Polling District DE2 as there is currently no obvious building within or close to the Thorpebury development. However, the ARO acknowledges that this decision should be kept under review whilst the Thorpebury development progresses.

System						3-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
<b>CU</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Midland Railway Hotel</b> 1081 Melton Road, Syston	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Midland Railway Hotel</b> 1081 Melton Road, Syston	2,031	NO	YES	NO
<b>CW</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Midland Railway Hotel</b> 1081 Melton Road, Syston	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Midland Railway Hotel</b> 1081 Melton Road, Syston	990	NO	YES	NO
<b>CX</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Fosseway Bowls Club</b> Between 50-52 Fosse Way, Syston	<b>Fosseway Bowls Club</b> Between 50-52 Fosse Way, Syston	2,136	NO	NO	NO
<b>CY</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Syston Community Centre</b> 18 School Street, Syston	<b>Syston Community Centre</b> 18 School Street, Syston	1,931	NO	NO	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District CU:** Syston Baptist Church is no longer available as a polling place. As a result, the ARO had to site a Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Midland Railway Hotel to provide voting facilities for this polling district area in May 2021 and May 2023. The ARO has been unable to identify an alternative permanent building to replace Syston Baptist Church. Therefore, the ARO proposes that a Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Midland Railway Hotel is a suitable polling place and temporary polling station for electors in Polling District CU.

**Polling District CW:** For the local elections in May 2023, the electors in Polling District CW and Polling District CU voted at the Mobile Unit sited in the Car Park of Midland Railway Hotel. Despite this polling place containing two polling districts, there was only one polling station in the polling place. Although the ARO recognised that the total number of electors voting in person at the Mobile Unit exceeded the EC's recommendations, it was proposed that any concern regarding the size of the electorate would be dealt with by the provision of additional staff and equipment at the polling station. This polling arrangement was suitable for the local elections, although feedback from polling station staff indicates that this polling arrangement may not be suitable for a high turnout UK Parliamentary General Election. As a result, the ARO proposes that the electors in Polling District CW should attend a separate polling station to electors in Polling District CU. Therefore, the ARO seeks to identify a separate polling place for the electors in Polling District CW. As there is no obvious permanent building within or close to the polling district to facilitate voters, the ARO will investigate an alternative location to site a Mobile Unit to provide polling facilities for electors in Polling District CW.

**Polling District CX:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Fossey Bowls Club is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CX as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CY:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Syston Community Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CY as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

The Wolds						1-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
AA	Loughborough CC	<b>Burton on the Wolds Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Burton on the Wolds	<b>Burton on the Wolds Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Burton on the Wolds	766	NO	NO	NO
AB1	Loughborough CC	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	229	NO	NO	NO
AB2	Loughborough CC	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	26	NO	NO	NO
AB3	Loughborough CC	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	18	NO	NO	NO
AL	Loughborough CC	<b>Walton on the Wolds Village Hall</b> 23 Loughborough Road, Walton on the Wolds	<b>Walton on the Wolds Village Hall</b> 23 Loughborough Road, Walton on the Wolds	171	NO	NO	NO
AM	Loughborough CC	<b>Wymeswold Memorial Hall</b> 5A Clay Street, Wymeswold	<b>Wymeswold Memorial Hall</b> 5A Clay Street, Wymeswold	922	NO	NO	NO
J2	Loughborough CC	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	1	NO	NO	NO
K2	Loughborough CC	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	<b>Hoton Village Hall</b> Loughborough Road, Hoton	2	NO	NO	NO



**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District AA:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Burton on the Wolds Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AA as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling Districts AB1, AB2, AB3, J2 and K2:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Hoton Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AB1, Polling District AB2, Polling District AB3, Polling District J2 and Polling District K2 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting. Despite this polling place containing multiple polling districts, only one polling station will be required in order to comply with EC recommendations.

**Polling District AL:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Walton on the Wolds Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AL as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District AM:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Wymeswold Memorial Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District AM as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

Thurmaston						3-member Ward	
Polling District	UK Parliamentary Constituency	Polling Place	Polling Station	Electorate	Access concerns?	Electorate concerns?	Other concerns?
DC	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Thurmaston Community Centre</b> Silverdale Drive, Thurmaston	<b>Thurmaston Community Centre</b> Silverdale Drive, Thurmaston	1,633	NO	NO	NO
DD	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park at Thurmaston Community Centre</b> Silverdale Drive, Thurmaston	<b>Mobile Unit in the Car Park at Thurmaston Community Centre</b> Silverdale Drive, Thurmaston	1,354	NO	NO	YES
DE1	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Elizabeth Park Sports &amp; Community Centre</b> Checkland Road, Thurmaston	<b>Sports Hall Elizabeth Park Sports &amp; Community Centre</b> Checkland Road, Thurmaston	1,240	NO	NO	NO
DF	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Thurmaston Memorial Hall</b> 722 Melton Road, Thurmaston	<b>Thurmaston Memorial Hall</b> 722 Melton Road, Thurmaston	871	NO	NO	NO
DG	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Thurmaston Memorial Hall</b> 722 Melton Road, Thurmaston	<b>Thurmaston Memorial Hall</b> 722 Melton Road, Thurmaston	1,135	NO	NO	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District DC:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Thurmaston Community Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District DC as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District DD:** For the local elections in May 2023, a Mobile Unit sited in the Car Park of Thurmaston Community Centre provided polling facilities for electors in Polling District DD. Feedback from polling station staff indicated that Thurmaston Community Centre is a suitable polling place to accommodate more than one polling station. Therefore, the ARO considers that Thurmaston Community Centre is a suitable venue to replace the Mobile Unit in the Car Park of Thurmaston Community Centre to facilitate voting for electors within Polling District DD. This would have both logistical and financial benefits as Mobile Units are costly to operate. The ARO proposes that electors from Polling District DC will vote at one polling station in Thurmaston Community Centre and electors in Polling District DD will vote in a second polling station in this polling place.

**Polling District DE1:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Elizabeth Park & Community Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District DE1 as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District DF and Polling District DG:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Thurmaston Memorial Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District DF and Polling District DG as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

<b>Wreake Valley</b>						<b>3-member Ward</b>	
<b>Polling District</b>	<b>UK Parliamentary Constituency</b>	<b>Polling Place</b>	<b>Polling Station</b>	<b>Electorate</b>	<b>Access concerns?</b>	<b>Electorate concerns?</b>	<b>Other concerns?</b>
<b>CJ</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Jubilee Hall</b> Main Street, Cossington	<b>Jubilee Hall</b> Main Street, Cossington	336	NO	NO	NO
<b>CK</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>St Hilda's Church Centre</b> Ling Dale, East Goscote	<b>St Hilda's Church Centre</b> Ling Dale, East Goscote	1,901	NO	NO	NO
<b>CN</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Queniborough Village Hall</b> Rearsby Road, Queniborough	<b>Queniborough Village Hall</b> Rearsby Road Queniborough	2,097	NO	NO	NO
<b>CO</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Ratcliffe on the Wreake Village Hall</b> Main Street, Ratcliffe on the Wreake	<b>Ratcliffe on the Wreake Village Hall</b> Main Street, Ratcliffe on the Wreake	120	NO	NO	NO
<b>CP</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Rearsby Village Hall</b> 1851 Melton Road, Rearsby	<b>Rearsby Village Hall</b> 1851 Melton Road, Rearsby	790	NO	NO	NO
<b>CS</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>South Croxton Village Hall</b> School Lane, South Croxton	<b>South Croxton Village Hall</b> School Lane, South Croxton	196	NO	NO	NO
<b>CV</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Scout Hall</b> Oxford Street, Syston	<b>Scout Hall</b> Oxford Street, Syston	1,577	NO	NO	NO
<b>CZ</b>	Melton and Syston CC	<b>Thrussington Village Hall</b> Hoby Road, Thrussington	<b>Thrussington Village Hall</b> Hoby Road, Thrussington	396	NO	NO	NO

**(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals:**

**Polling District CJ:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Jubilee Hall in Cossington is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CJ as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CK:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. St Hilda's Church Centre is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CK as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CN:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Queniborough Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CN as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CO:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Ratcliffe on the Wreake Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CO as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CP:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Rearsby Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CP as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CS:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. South Croxton Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CS as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CV:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. The Scout Hall in Syston is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CV as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.

**Polling District CZ:** No amendments to the current polling arrangements are proposed. Thrussington Village Hall is a suitable polling place for electors in Polling District CZ as feedback indicates that this polling place provides reasonable facilities for voting.