



**POLLING DISTRICTS,
POLLING PLACES & POLLING
STATIONS REVIEW
2018/19**

(Acting) Returning Officer's Final Proposals
January 2019

INTRODUCTION

This report presents the (Acting) Returning Officer's final recommendations for polling district and polling stations arrangements following the review that has been carried out.

The proposed polling stations have been visited by a Council Officer for risk assessment purposes and any matters arising have been taken into consideration.

GUIDELINES

The following considerations have been taken into account when drawing up these proposals. The first two are required by electoral law; the others are guidelines, 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.
- Ideally, there should be no more than 2500 electors (excluding absent voters) per polling district. It should be noted that although the guidelines suggest an ideal number of electors per polling district there are several polling districts in Charnwood that are over 2500 electors. In these cases, it is not practicable to split the polling district so there are 2 polling stations operating and therefore the issue of large elector numbers at a polling station will be dealt with by the provision of additional polling station staff and equipment.
- Preferably, no polling place should be shared by two wards.
- Schools should only be used where there is no other suitable permanent building available, because of the potential disruption to educational provision.
- 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, split between the parliamentary constituencies of Charnwood and Loughborough, and the tables show:

- The polling district.
- The number of electors as at 1st December 2018 (the 2019 revised register).
- The proposed polling station(s).
- A comment regarding the disabled access. It should be noted that although the polling stations show a comment of "satisfactory", 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.

Where a risk assessment has been carried out and there are known problems relating to access, a comment of “satisfactory pending re-assessment” is included.

PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS BY WARDS:**CHARNWOOD PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY**

ANSTEY			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CA Anstey	5,533	Jubilee Hall Stadon Road, Anstey	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
<p><u>Polling Station. 41: (Polling District CA) Jubilee Hall Stadon Road, Anstey</u> It was originally proposed to investigate splitting the single polling district for Anstey (CA) due to the large number of electors. However, it has not been possible to find a suitable alternative venue for a second polling station in the village, and also a consultation response was received which did not support splitting the current polling district. It is therefore proposed to provide additional staff at the single polling station.</p>			

BIRSTALL WANLIP			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CC Birstall Wanlip No.1	1,981	Birstall Dist. Guide HQ Johnson Road, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
CD Birstall Wanlip No.2	1,985	Highcliffe CP School Greengate Lane, Birstall	SEE COMMENTS
CE Birstall Wanlip No. 3	1,485	Pavilion, Hallam Fields Primary School, Long Meadow Way, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
DH Wanlip	165	Church and Community Hall, Wanlip	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
<p><u>Polling Station 44 (Polling District CD): Highcliffe CP School Greengate Lane, Birstall</u> The Headteacher at Highcliffe Primary School has indicated following the re-build of the school building on Greengate Lane there is no longer a community room or separate part of the school available to be used as a polling station.</p> <p>The (Acting)Returning Officer is currently in discussions with the estates manager at the Lionheart academy to discuss options for using an alternative room in the school as a venue for facilitating voting for electors in Polling District CD, although at the current time final details have not been confirmed.</p> <p><u>Polling Station 45 (Polling District CE): Pavilion, Hallam Fields Primary School, Long Meadow Way, Birstall</u> It is proposed to replace the previous polling station which was at a mobile unit at Birstall Services with the Pavilion at Hallam Fields Primary School. The Pavilion has been inspected and is suitable for use as a polling station, and was also used successfully at a recent by election.</p>			

BIRSTALL WATERMEAD			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CF Birstall Watermead No.1	762	The Village Hall, Birstall Road, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
CG Birstall Watermead No.2	854	St Margaret's Co-operative Club Bowls Pavilion, Birstall Rd, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
CH Birstall Watermead No.3	1,448	St Theresa's Church Hall 53 Front Street, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
CI Birstall Watermead No.4	2,147	The Lounge, Birstall Methodist Church, Wanlip Lane, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

EAST GOSCOTE			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CK East Goscote	2,297	St Hilda's Church Centre, Ling Dale, East Goscote	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

FOREST BRADGATE			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CM1 Newtown Linford	849	The Linford, 66 Main Street, Newtown Linford	SATISFACTORY
CM2 Ulverscroft	78		
DI Woodhouse Eaves	1,287	Village Hall Woodhouse Eaves	SATISFACTORY
DJ Old Woodhouse	379	Community Hall, 207 Forest Road, Old Woodhouse	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District – Forest Bradgate (Alan Turing Road)	N/A	Mobile Unit, Recreation Ground Car Park, Adj to 1 Highland Drive, Loughborough	Not assessed as not permanent structure

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments

Polling Station 53: The Linford, 66 Main Street, Newtown Linford

A request was received asking the (Acting) Returning Officer to review the location of the polling station which serves Polling Districts CM1 and 2 of the Forest Bradgate Ward. The Sunday Rooms is presently used, however there have been issues relating to disability access and parking. The (Acting) Returning Officer has investigated the possibility of an alternative venue and has carried out an inspection of The Linford Ex-Service Social Club and Institute, 66 Main Street, Newtown Linford (known as 'The Linford'), to assess its suitability as a polling station. The result of the assessment is that The Linford has adequate facilities for polling, including parking and disabled access.

The (Acting) Returning Officer considers The Linford as a suitable venue and therefore proposes that it replaces the current polling station for providing polling facilities for Polling Districts CM1 and CM2.

New Polling District: Forest Bradgate (Alan Turing Road)

The recent Community Governance Review amends the boundary between the unparished area of Loughborough and the parish of Woodhouse, so that 25 properties on Alan Turing Road will move from Woodhouse into Loughborough. However, they will remain in the Forest Bradgate Borough ward, and therefore a new polling district needs to be created so that the relevant properties are differentiated from other properties, as voters living in the related properties on Alan Turing Road will no longer be entitled to vote in any contested parish elections for Woodhouse.

Although the 25 properties affected are geographically within the Forest Bradgate Borough ward, they are not within walking distance of the allocated polling station at Old Woodhouse, and as a result voting would not be easily accessible to the relevant electors.

There is no obvious building within or close to the new polling district area to use as a polling station, and therefore the (Acting) Returning Officer is proposing to use a mobile unit. Mobile units are costly to operate especially for a small number of electors, however, a mobile unit is currently used as a polling station to facilitate voting for Polling District U (within Loughborough Shelthorpe ward) which is part of the same residential development as the affected properties on Alan Turing Road. The (Acting) Returning Officer therefore proposes to use one mobile unit on the development that will serve as 2 polling stations for the new polling district of Forest Bradgate (Alan Turing Road) in the Forest Bradgate ward, and for Polling District U in the Loughborough Shelthorpe ward.

MOUNTSORREL

Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
Mountsorrel (currently CL)	5,325	To be split into 2 new polling districts – see below	N/A
New Polling District: Mountsorrel No.1	N/A	Mountsorrel Memorial Centre, Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District: Mountsorrel No.2	N/A	Mountsorrel Methodist Church, Church Hill Road, Mountsorrel	SATISFACTORY

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments

Due to the large number of electors in the current Polling District CL, the (Acting) Returning Officer is proposing to split the area to create 2 polling districts for Mountsorrel village. In addition to the current polling station at the Mountsorrel Methodist Church, which will be used for one of the new polling districts (Mountsorrel No.2, for properties north of Rothley Road), a new polling station located at the Mountsorrel Memorial Centre will provide polling facilities for the other polling district (Mountsorrel No.1), for properties south of Rothley Road).

QUENIBOROUGH

Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CB1 Barkby CB2 Barkby Thorpe CB3 Beeby	230 361 75	Jubilee Room, Village Hall Barkby	SATISFACTORY
CN Queniborough	2,262	Village Hall Rearsby Road, Queniborough	SATISFACTORY
CS South Croxton	213	Village Hall School Lane, South Croxton	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District: Hamilton Lea	N/A	See comments	N/A

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments

New Polling District: Hamilton Lea

The recent Community Governance Review created a new parish called Hamilton Lea comprising of properties from a new residential development currently located in the parish of Barkby Thorpe (Polling District CB2). A separate polling district needs to be created for the new parish.

The electors of the new polling district will require voting facilities, and an inspection of the area has been carried out to establish whether there is a venue in or site that could be used as a polling station. There is no obvious building within or close to Hamilton Lea area which could be used, and therefore the (Acting) Returning Officer is currently liaising with Redrow (one of the developers of the estate) to see if it will be possible to position a temporary mobile polling station on open space on the corner of Bryony Road/Laverton Road which is adjacent to the development although not directly within the new polling district. The site has been inspected and it meets the criteria required for use as a polling station, if permission can be obtained to use it.

ROTHLEY & THURCASTON

Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CQ Rothley	4,025	The Lecture Room, The Rothley Centre, 12 Mountsorrel Lane, Rothley	SATISFACTORY

CT Swithland	202	Room rear of Swithland Memorial Hall, Main Street, Swithland	SATISFACTORY
DA Cropston	804	Schoolroom, rear of Cropston Chapel Vestry, Station Road, Cropston	SATISFACTORY
DB Thurcaston	953	The Harrison Room, All Saints' Church, Anstey Lane, Thurcaston	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District: Mountsorrel No.3	N/A	See comments	N/A

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments

New Polling District: Mountsorrel No.3

The recent Community Governance Review moves the boundary between the parishes of Rothley and Mountsorrel, so that the new Primrose Hill residential development (currently within the Rothley polling district – CQ) moves from the parish of Rothley into the parish of Mountsorrel. However, it will remain within the Rothley & Thurcaston ward, and so therefore a new polling district needs to be created as voters in the development will vote in Rothley & Thurcaston for Borough elections, but in Mountsorrel for any contested parish election.

The electors that fall within the boundary of the newly created polling district will require voting facilities, and therefore an inspection of the areae has been carried out to establish whether there is a venue that could be used as a polling station. There is no obvious building within or close to the Primrose Hill development which could be used, and therefore the (acting) Returning Officer is currently liaising with Charles Church (Persimmon Homes) who are the developers to see if it is possible to position a temporary mobile polling station on open space located in the centre of the development at Baum Drive. The site has been inspected and it meets the criteria required for use as a polling station, if permission to use it can be obtained.

Polling Districts DA (Cropston) & DB (Thurcaston)

The recommendations of the Community Governance Review also move some properties north of the Rothley Brook out of the parish ward of Thurcaston (polling district DB) and into the parish ward of Cropston (polling district DA). This will require an alteration to the polling district boundaries for the parish wards, but the existing polling station arrangements will remain unchanged, although electors in the affected properties will vote at the Cropston polling station in future. There is no effect on Borough ward or County division boundaries.

SYSTON EAST			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CU Syston East No.1	2,390	Syston Baptist Church, Goodes Lane entrance, Syston	SATISFACTORY
CV Syston East No.2 CW Syston East No.3	1,876 1,213	Scout Hall Oxford Street, Syston	SATISFACTORY

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.

SYSTON WEST			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CX Syston West No.1	2,707	Fosse Way Bowling Club Fosse Way, Syston	SATISFACTORY
CY Syston West No.2	2,342	Community Centre School Street, Syston	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

THURMASTON			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
DC Thurmaston No.1	1,966	Silverdale Community Centre Silverdale Drive, Thurmaston	SATISFACTORY
DD Thurmaston No.2	1,738	Church Hill, Primary School Church Hill Road, Thurmaston	SATISFACTORY
DE Thurmaston No.3	1,519	Sports Hall, Elizabeth Park Sports and Community Centre	SATISFACTORY
DF Thurmaston No.4	1,048	Memorial Hall 722 Melton Road, Thurmaston	SATISFACTORY
DG Thurmaston No. 5	1,444		
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
<p>The recent Community Governance Review made a recommendation which result in moving a number of areas out of the parish of Barkby and Barkby Thorpe and into the parish of Thurmaston, in the Thurmaston East parish ward, with effect from 1st April 2019, in preparation for the proposed North East of Leicester Sustainable Urban Extension. There are currently no residential properties in the affected areas.</p> <p>This will require an alteration to the relevant polling district boundaries but the existing polling station arrangements will remain unchanged for the time being, although the (Acting) Returning Officer will keep the situation under review as the new development progresses.</p> <p>There is no effect on Borough ward or County division boundaries.</p>			

WREAKE VILLAGES

Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
CJ Cossington	419	Jubilee Hall Main Street, Cossington	SATISFACTORY
CO Ratcliffe on the Wreake	145	Village Hall Ratcliffe on the Wreake	SATISFACTORY
CP Rearsby	956	Village Hall, 1851 Melton Road Rearsby	SATISFACTORY
CR Seagrave	466	Village Hall Green Lane, Seagrave	SATISFACTORY
CZ Thrussington	456	Village Hall Hoby Road, Thrussington	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

LOUGHBOROUGH PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY

BARROW & SILEBY WEST			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
Barrow (currently Z)	5,010	To be split into 2 new polling districts – see below	N/A
New Polling District: Barrow No.1	N/A	Barrow Community Library, North Street, Barrow Upon Soar	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District: Barrow No.2	N/A	Barrow Methodist Church Hall, North Street, Barrow Upon Soar	SATISFACTORY
AK Sileby West	442	Community Centre, Rear Entrance, High Street, Sileby	SATISFACTORY
Returning Officer's Recommendations			
<p>Due to the large number of electors in the current Polling District Z, the (Acting) Returning Officer is proposing to split the area to create 2 polling districts for the village of Barrow Upon Soar. In addition to the current polling station at the Barrow Methodist Church, which will be used for one of the new polling districts (Barrow No.2) for properties on the east side of the village, a new polling station located at the Barrow Community Library will provide polling facilities for the other polling district (Barrow No.1) for properties on the south and west side of the village.</p>			

LOUGHBOROUGH ASHBY			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
A L'boro Ashby No.1	1,231	"The Hut", 14-16 Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
B L'boro Ashby No.2	1,896	Sports Hall, EHB Sports Complex, University Campus, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
C L'boro Ashby No.3	316	Thorpe Acre Church Centre Thorpe Acre Road, L'boro	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
<p><u>Polling Station. 2: Sports Hall, EHB Sports Complex, University Campus, Loughborough (Polling District B)</u></p> <p>Due to issues over recent years with being able to identify a consistent venue to use as a polling station on the university campus year on year, the (Acting) Returning Officer approached the Loughborough Students Union (LSU) to enquire whether they could provide a room within the LSU that could be used as a permanent polling station for all future elections and referendums to serve for Polling District B. Although the assessment found the LSU building to be adequate for polling purposes, during the consultation period a number of objections to the use of the LSU building as a polling station were received, mainly due to it being a licensed premises.</p>			

The (Acting) Returning Officer therefore approached the university to seek to identify a location on the university campus that can be used as a polling station on an ongoing basis, and the university have confirmed they can make the the Sports Hall in the EHB Sports Complex available for use as a permanent polling station.

The Sports Hall has been inspected, and the (Acting) Returning Officer considers the location and building adequate for the use as a polling station, particularly given that it has been used as such on one previous occasion.

LOUGHBOROUGH DISHLEY & HATHERN			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
D L'boro Dishley & Hathern No.1	1,977	Community Centre, Robert Bakewell Primary School Barsby Drive, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
E L'boro Dishley & Hathern No.2	1,255	Gorse Covert Community Centre, Maxwell Drive, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
F L'boro Dishley & Hathern No.3	1,857	St Peter & St Paul's Church, Church Street, Hathern	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District: Stonebow Village No.3	N/A	St Peter & St Paul's Church, Church Street, Hathern	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
<p><u>New Polling District: Stonebow Village No.3</u> The recent Community Governance Review creates a new parish called Stonebow Village, covering the area of the proposed new West of Loughborough development and consisting of parts of the current parishes of Hathern, Shepshed, and the unparished area of Loughborough.</p> <p>As residents in the new parish will remain in their current Borough wards, it is therefore necessary to create 3 new polling districts for the Stonebow Village parish, one of which (Stonebow Village No.3) consists of areas within the Loughborough Dishley & Hathern ward (polling district F - Loughborough Dishley & Hathern No.3).</p> <p>There are only 7 residential properties currently within the whole of the new parish, and it is therefore proposed that electors will continue to vote at the same polling station they are currently allocated to (ie. St.Peter & St, Paul's Church, Hathern in this case, although they will not be entitled to vote at any contested election for Hathern parish council).</p> <p>As the new development progresses the (Acting) Returning Officer will keep the situation under review.</p>			

LOUGHBOROUGH GARENDON			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
G L'boro Garendon No.1	2,959	Thorpe Acre Church Centre Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
H L'boro Garendon No.2	1,609	Boothwood CP School Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District: Stonebow Village No.2	N/A	Thorpe Acre Church Centre Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
<p><u>New Polling District: Stonebow Village No.2</u> The recent Community Governance Review creates a new parish called Stonebow Village, covering the area of the proposed new West of Loughborough development and consisting of parts of the current parishes of Hathern, Shepshed, and the unparished area of Loughborough.</p> <p>As residents in the new parish will remain in their current Borough wards, it is therefore necessary to create 3 new polling districts for the Stonebow Village parish, one of which (Stonebow Village No.2) consists of areas within the Loughborough Garendon ward (polling district G - Loughborough Garendon No.1).</p> <p>There are only 7 residential properties currently within the whole of the new parish, and it is therefore proposed that electors will continue to vote at the same polling station they are currently allocated to (ie. Thorpe Acre Church Centre in this case).</p> <p>As the new development progresses the (Acting) Returning Officer will keep the situation under review.</p>			

LOUGHBOROUGH HASTINGS			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
I L'boro Hastings No.1	1,767	Cobden Pre-School, Pinfold Jetty Entrance, Hume Street, L'boro	SATISFACTORY
J L'boro Hastings No.2	2,755	Moira Youth & Community Centre Moira Street, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District: Loughborough Hastings No.3	N/A	Moira Youth & Community Centre Moira Street, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments

Polling Station. 9: Cobden Pre-School, Pinfold Jetty Entrance, Hume Street, L'boro

The Headteacher at Cobden School has informed the (Acting) Returning Officer that there are alterations to be made to the entrance gates to the school and that it will not therefore be possible in future to section off the Cobden Road entrance to provide suitable safe-guarding security arrangements for the children, which could mean that the whole school would have to be closed on polling days. The Headteacher has therefore requested consideration of the adjacent Sure Start Childrens Centre building for use as a polling station for electors in Polling District I.

The Childrens Centre is currently closed, but is to be transferred to Cobden School before May 2019 for use by their pre-school, and will be known as Cobden Pre-School. The facilities have been inspected and the (Acting) Returning Officer considers the building to be suitable for use as a polling station.

New Polling District: Loughborough Hastings No.3

The recent Community Governance Review amended the boundary between the unparished area of Loughborough and the parish of Cotes, Prestwold and Burton on the Wolds. This affects a small number of properties within the Loughborough Hastings ward to the east side of the railway line (currently in polling district J - Loughborough Hastings No.2) which will move into the Cotes, Prestwold and Burton on the Wolds parish area. It is necessary to create a new polling district for the affected area as those electors will also now be able to vote in any relevant contested parish council election.

It is proposed that the current polling station will continue to be used for the new polling district (ie. Moira Youth & Community Centre), and that arrangements will be made for the relevant electors to be able to vote at that polling station should there be a contested parish council election.

LOUGHBOROUGH LEMYNGTON

Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
K L'boro Lemyngton No.1	3,915	Fearon Hall, Rectory Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
L L'boro Lemyngton No.2	843	Mobile Unit, Ring O Bells Carpark, Derby Road, L'boro	Not assessed as not permanent structure
New Polling District: L'boro Lemyngton No.3	N/A	Fearon Hall, Rectory Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments

New Polling District: Loughborough Lemyngton No.3

The recent Community Governance Review amended the boundary between the unparished area of Loughborough and the parish of Cotes, Prestwold and Burton on the Wolds. This affects a small number of properties within the Loughborough Lemyngton ward to the east side of the railway line (currently in polling district K - Loughborough Lemyngton No.1) which will move into the Cotes, Prestwold and Burton on the Wolds parish area. It is necessary to create a new polling district for the affected area as those electors will also now be able to vote in any relevant contested parish council election.

It is proposed that the current polling station will continue to be used for the new polling district (ie. Fearon Hall), and that arrangements will be made for the relevant electors to be able to vote at that polling station should there be a contested parish council election.

LOUGHBOROUGH NANPANTAN			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
M L'boro Nanpantan No.1	2,628	Holywell Free Church, Berkeley Road, L'boro	SATISFACTORY
N L'boro Nanpantan No.2	298	Greenfields Sports and Social Club, Holt Drive, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
O L'boro Nanpantan No.3	938	Sports Hall, EHB Sports Complex, University Campus, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
<u>Polling Station 15: Sports Hall, EHB Sports Complex, University Campus, Loughborough (Polling District O)</u>			
<p>Due to issues over recent years with being able to identify a consistent venue to use as a polling station on the university campus year on year, the (Acting) Returning Officer approached the Loughborough Students Union (LSU) to enquire whether they could provide a room within the LSU that could be used as a permanent polling station for all future elections and referendums to serve for Polling District B. Although the assessment found the LSU building to be adequate for polling purposes, during the consultation period a number of objections to the use of the LSU building as a polling station were received, mainly due to it being a licensed premises.</p> <p>The (Acting) Returning Officer therefore approached the university to seek to identify a location on the university campus that can be used as a polling station on an ongoing basis, and the university have confirmed they can make the the Sports Hall in the EHB Sports Complex available for use as a permanent polling station.</p> <p>The Sports Hall has been inspected, and the (Acting) Returning Officer considers the location and building adequate for the use as a polling station, particularly given that it has been used as such on one previous occasion.</p>			

LOUGHBOROUGH OUTWOODS			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
P L'boro Outwoods No.1	2,942	Greenfields Sports and Social Club, Holt Drive, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY

Q L'boro Outwoods No.2	1,618	Woodbrook Vale High School Grasmere Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

LOUGHBOROUGH SHELTHORPE			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
R L'boro Shelthorpe No.1	1,931	Outwoods Edge CP School, 4 Plus Unit, Laurel Road Entrance, L'boro	SEE COMMENT
S L'boro Shelthorpe No.2	2,350	Good Shepherd Church Hall Park Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
T L'boro Shelthorpe No.3	1,139	Youth Centre, Shelthorpe School Woodthorpe Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
U L'boro Shelthorpe No.4	830	Mobile Unit, Recreation Ground Car Park, Adj to 1 Highland Drive, Loughborough	Not assessed as not permanent structure
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
<p><u>Polling Station. 18: Outwoods Edge CP School, 4 Plus Unit, Laurel Road Entrance, Loughborough</u> An assessment of the school as a suitable polling venue is still outstanding. If once the assessment has taken place the (Acting) Returning Officer considers that the school continues to be adequate and meets the criteria for use as a polling station, it will be used to provide voting facilities for electors in polling district R as it has done previously.</p> <p><u>Polling Station. 4: Mobile Unit, Recreation Ground Car Park, Adj to 1 Highland Drive, Loughborough (Polling District U)</u> An inspection has been carried out of the open space on the corner of Allendale Road/Highland Drive where the mobile unit has previously been sited in Polling District U. The area is being developed and therefore no longer available for the siting of a mobile unit. The (Acting) Returning Officer has identified a suitable alternative location to site a mobile unit which is within Polling District U, at the recreation ground car park adjacent to 1 Highland Drive, Loughborough.</p> <p>The (Acting) Returning Officer also needs to identify a polling station to facilitate voting for electors in a new Polling District to be created as part of the Community Governance Review undertaken by Charnwood, that will be part of the Forest Bradgate Ward. The new Polling District will only 25 properties on Alan Turing Road, Loughborough, which is part of the same development that Polling District U, Loughborough Shelthorpe Ward forms part of. There is no obvious building on or close to the new polling district area that can be used as a polling station and therefore the (Acting) Returning Officer is proposing to use the same mobile unit to provide a polling station for both polling districts.</p> <p>For further details regarding the creation of the new polling district please see the (Acting)</p>			

Returning Officer's proposals for the Forest Bradgate ward.

LOUGHBOROUGH SOUTHFIELDS			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
V L'boro Southfields No.1	1,766	Polish Community Centre William Street Entrance, L'boro	SATISFACTORY
W L'boro Southfields No.2	2,153	Victoria Day Centre Albert Street, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Recommendations			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

LOUGHBOROUGH STORER			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
X L'boro Storer No.1	2,118	The Ashby Hall Methodist Church Knightthorpe Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
Y L'boro Storer No.2	1,966	Main Hall, Rosebery St Peters Community Centre, Storer Road, L'boro	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

QUORN & MOUNTSORREL CASTLE			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
AC1 Mountsorrel North End Ward	537	Parish Rooms Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	SATISFACTORY
AC2 Mountsorrel Castle Ward	492		
Quorn (currently AD)	4,646	To be split into two new polling districts – see below	N/A
New Polling District: Quorn No.1	N/A	The Clubhouse, Quorn Football Club, Farley Way, Quorn	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District: Quorn No.2	N/A	Village Hall Leicester Road, Quorn	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
Due to the large number of electors in the current Polling District AD, the (Acting) Returning Officer is proposing to split the area to create 2 polling districts for the village of Quorn. In addition to the current polling station at the Village Hall, which will be used for one of the new polling districts (Quorn No.2) for properties on the east side of the village, a new polling station located in The Clubhouse at Quorn Football Club will provide polling facilities for the other polling district (Quorn No.1), for properties on the west side of the village.			

SHEPshed EAST			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
AE Shepshed East No.1	2,408	Youth Centre, Iveshead School, Forest Street, Shepshed	SATISFACTORY
AF Shepshed East No.2	2,757	Top Studio, Newcroft, Primary School, Trueway Drive, Shepshed	SATISFACTORY
New Polling District: Stonebow Village No.1	N/A	Youth Centre, Iveshead School, Forest Street, Shepshed	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
Polling Station 32: Youth Centre, Iveshead School, Forest Street, Shepshed (Polling District AE) The (Acting) Returning Officer has been notified that the name of the college/school that the Youth Centre is part of has changed to Iveshead School (previously Hind Leys College). Information has been updated on the electoral system so any future correspondence, including poll cards,			

will contain the correct details.

New Polling District: Stonebow Village No.1

The recent Community Governance Review creates a new parish called Stonebow Village, covering the area of the proposed new West of Loughborough development and consisting of parts of the current parishes of Hathern, Shepshed, and the unparished area of Loughborough.

As residents in the new parish will remain in their current Borough wards, it is therefore necessary to create 3 new polling districts for the Stonebow Village parish, one of which (Stonebow Village No.1) consists of areas within the Shepshed East ward (polling district AE- Shepshed East No.1).

There are only 7 residential properties currently within the whole of the new parish, and it is therefore proposed that electors will continue to vote at the same polling station they are currently allocated to (ie. Youth Centre, Iveshead School in this case, although they will not be entitled to vote at any contested election for Shepshed town council).

As the new development progresses the (Acting) Returning Officer will keep the situation under review.

SHEPSHED WEST			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
AG Shepshed West No.1	2,657	Shepshed Town Council Offices, 47a Charnwood Road, Shepshed	SATISFACTORY
AH Shepshed West No.2	3,082	Glenmore Community Centre Thorpe Road, Shepshed	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

SILEBY			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
AI Sileby No.1	3,217	St Gregory's Social Centre, (behind church), 24 The Banks, Sileby	SATISFACTORY
AJ Sileby No.2	2,888	Sileby Boys Club, King Street, Car Park Entrance	SATISFACTORY
(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

THE WOLDS

Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 st December 2018	Proposed Polling Station	Disabled Access
AA Burton on the Wolds	929	Village Hall Burton on the Wolds	SATISFACTORY
AB1 Hoton AB2 Cotes AB3 Prestwold	293 20 51	Village Hall Hoton	SATISFACTORY
AL Walton on the Wolds	222	Village Hall Walton on the Wolds	SATISFACTORY
AM Wymeswold	1,067	Wymeswold Memorial Hall Clay Street, Wymeswold	SATISFACTORY

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments

The recent Community Governance Review amends the boundary between Burton on the Wolds (polling district AA) and Prestwold (polling district AB3) to move a small number of properties on Seymour Road from Prestwold into Burton on the Wolds. Electors from those properties will therefore vote at the polling station at the Village Hall, Burton on the Wolds in future.

The Community Governance Review also amended boundaries to move a small number of properties from Prestwold (polling district AB3) into Cotes (polling district AB2). However, there will be no change for the voters affected who will continue to vote at the polling station at the Village Hall, Hoton.

Finally, the Community Governance Review also amended the boundary between the unparished area of Loughborough and Cotes, resulting in a small number of properties moving out of Loughborough and into Cotes. As these properties will remain in their current Loughborough Borough wards, separate new polling districts are being created so that affected electors can continue to vote at their current polling stations, with arrangements being made for them to be able to vote there in the event of a contested parish council election (see the sections on Loughborough Lemyngton and Loughborough Hastings wards for further details).