



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

(Acting) Returning Officer's Comments and Proposals  
November 2018

## INTRODUCTION

This report considers each polling district 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.

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.

## 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 have over 2500 electors. In these cases, where it is not practicable to split the polling district so there are 2 separate polling stations operating in different locations, the issue of large elector numbers at the polling station will be dealt with either by the provision of additional polling station staff and equipment, or by arranging for there to be 2 polling stations within one polling place.
- 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. For existing polling arrangements, the tables show:

- The polling district.
- The number of electors as at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 (the most recent monthly update).
- The current 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.

The tables also show any comments or proposals being made by the ARO.

## EXISTING ARRANGEMENTS FOR WARDS:

### CHARNWOOD PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY

ANSTEY			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
CA Anstey	5548	Jubilee Hall Stadon Road, Anstey	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<u>Polling District CA: Polling Station 41 - Jubilee Hall Stadon Road, Anstey</u>			
<p>Due to the large number of electors in Polling District CA the ARO is investigating the possibility of splitting and creating a new polling district and is seeking to identify an additional polling station to provide polling facilities for the new polling district within the Anstey ward.</p>			

BIRSTALL WANLIP			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
CC Birstall Wanlip No.1	1986	Birstall Dist. Guide HQ Johnson Road, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
CD Birstall Wanlip No.2	1994	Community Room, Highcliffe CP School Greengate Lane, Birstall	SEE COMMENTS
CE Birstall Wanlip No. 3	1442	Mobile Unit, Birstall Services	SEE COMMENTS
DH Wanlip	161	Church and Community Hall Wanlip	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<u>Polling District CD: Polling Station 41 - Community Room, Highcliffe CP School Greengate Lane, Birstall</u>			
<p>The ARO is aware that there are currently building works being undertaken at Highcliffe CP School and the Community Room which is the venue for facilitating voting for electors in Polling District CD. The building is due to be demolished and school staff have stated that there will be no similar replacement community room available for use as a polling station.</p> <p>The ARO is currently seeking to identify an alternative to the current polling station located in the Community Room at Highcliffe CP School, which may include using an alternative room within the school.</p>			
<u>Polling District CE: Polling Station 45 - Mobile Unit, Birstall Services</u>			
<p>To facilitate voting at previous elections for electors in Polling District CE it has been necessary to site a mobile unit in the car park of the Birstall Services, rear of the petrol station on Loughborough Road at the junction of the A6/A46 as there was no obvious</p>			

building that could be used as a polling station. As mobile units are costly to operate the ARO has reviewed the current arrangements and investigated the possibility of using a permanent building within the the Polling District.

A new school called Hallam Fields Primary has now opened on Long Meadow Way within the development which is within the Polling District CE. The school has a pavilion attached to it which is managed by Charnwood Council. The Pavilion has been assessed for its suitability as a polling station and has recently been used to facilitate voting at a by election. The Pavilion has adequate facilities for polling including parking and disabled access.

The ARO therefore considers The Pavilion at Hallam Fields Primary School as a suitable venue to replace the current mobile polling station for providing polling facilities for Polling District CE.

<b>BIRSTALL WATERMEAD</b>			
<b>Polling District &amp; Polling Place</b>	<b>Electorate as at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018</b>	<b>Current Polling Station</b>	<b>Disabled Access</b>
CF Birstall Watermead No.1	751	The Village Hall, Birstall Road, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
CG Birstall Watermead No.2	868	St Margaret's Co-operative Club Bowls Pavilion, Birstall Rd, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
CH Birstall Watermead No.3	1455	St Theresa's Church Hall 53 Front Street, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
CI Birstall Watermead No.4	2155	The Lounge, Birstall Methodist Church, Wanlip Lane, Birstall	SATISFACTORY
<b>ARO's Comments &amp; Proposals</b>			
None – no amendments are proposed to the current arrangements.			

<b>EAST GOSCOTE</b>			
<b>Polling District &amp; Polling Place</b>	<b>Electorate as at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018</b>	<b>Current Polling Station</b>	<b>Disabled Access</b>
CK East Goscote	2296	St Hilda's Church Centre, Ling Dale, East Goscote	SATISFACTORY
<b>ARO's Comments &amp; Proposals</b>			
None – no amendments are proposed to the current arrangements.			

FOREST BRADGATE			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
CM1 Newtown Linford CM2 Ulverscroft	846 77	Sunday School Rooms Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford	SEE COMMENTS
DI Woodhouse Eaves	1277	Village Hall Woodhouse Eaves	SATISFACTORY
DJ Old Woodhouse	354	Community Hall, 207 Forest Road, Old Woodhouse	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<p><u>Polling Districts CM1 &amp; CM2: Polling Station. 53 - Sunday School Rooms, Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford</u></p> <p>The ARO has been made aware of disability access issues at the Sunday School Rooms which provides Polling facilities for Polling Districts CM1 and CM2. A request has been made that an alternative venue is found that is suitable and more accessible to wheelchair users. The ARO 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 Returning Officer therefore considers The Linford as a suitable venue to replace the current polling station for providing polling facilities for Polling Districts CM1 and CM2.</p>			
<p><u>Polling District DJ: Polling Station. 76 - Community Hall, 2017 Forest Road, Old Woodhouse and Polling District DJ re properties at Alan Turing Road, Loughborough</u></p> <p>Charnwood Borough Council has undertaken a Community Governance Review (CGR) and made recommendations which are to be implemented on 1 April 2019. One of the recommendations of the CGR is to move 25 properties that are located on Alan Turing Road, Loughborough, currently part of the parish of Woodhouse, into the unparished area of Loughborough.</p> <p>Once the properties have been moved into the unparished area of Loughborough this will result in the electors for those properties no longer being eligible to vote at Woodhouse Parish Council elections. They will however, remain in the Borough ward of Forest Bradgate, and within the Bradgate County division. This could possibly cause confusion for the electors and polling staff if the allocated polling station for the 25 properties affected by the boundary change remains as the Community Hall, 207 Forest Road, Old Woodhouse (Polling Station 76).</p> <p>Although the relevant properties at Alan Turing Road, Loughborough 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 all electors affected by the parish boundary change. The ARO is currently considering the following options to facilitate voting for the eligible electors who are resident at the 25 properties located at Alan Turing Road, Loughborough:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create a new polling district for the Forest Bradgate Ward containing the 25 properties affected by the boundary changes.</li> <li>• Seek a venue as a polling station to facilitate voting for the newly created polling district which is close to, and ideally within walking distance of the 25 properties located on the development.</li> </ul> <p>There is no obvious building within or close to the new polling district area to use as a polling</p>			

station, and therefore the ARO is considering the use of a mobile unit. Mobile units are costly to operate especially for a small number of electors, however there is site on the same development which is in Polling District U that already uses a mobile unit as a polling station. Therefore an option the ARO is currently considering is to have one mobile unit on the development, potentially with 2 separate entrances that will serve as 2 polling stations for the new Polling District in Forest Bradgate Ward and for Polling District U in the Loughborough Shelthorpe Ward.

MOUNTSORREL			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
CL Mountsorrel	5346	Mountsorrel Methodist Church, Church Hill Road, Mountsorrel	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<u>Polling District CL: Polling Station 52 - Mountsorrel Methodist Church, Church Hill Road, Mountsorrel</u>			
<p>Due to the large number of electors in Polling District CL the ARO is considering the possibility of splitting the area and creating a new polling district, and is seeking to identify an additional polling station to provide polling facilities for the new polling district within the Mountsorrel Ward, which could potentially be located within the recently built Mountsorrel Memorial Centre.</p>			

QUENIBOROUGH			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
CB1 Barkby CB2 Barkby Thorpe CB3 Beeby	243 313 68	Jubilee Room, Village Hall Barkby	SATISFACTORY
CN Queniborough	2240	Village Hall Rearsby Road, Queniborough	SATISFACTORY
CS South Croxton	211	Village Hall School Lane, South Croxton	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<u>Polling District CB2: Parish of Barky and Barkby Thorpe</u>			
<p>Charnwood Borough Council has undertaken a Community Governance Review (CGR) and made recommendations which are to be implemented on 1 April 2019. One of the recommendations of the CGR is to create a new parish called Hamilton Lea comprising of properties from a new development currently located in the parish of Barkby Thorpe (Polling District CB2). A new polling district will need to be created for the parish of Hamilton Lea. There will be no changes in the relevant Borough ward or County division boundaries.</p> <p>Once the new parish and polling district have been created the properties will cease to be part of the parish of Barky Thorpe and Polling District (CB2).</p> <p>The electors of the new parish and polling district will require voting facilities, and therefore</p>			

the ARO is seeking to identify a venue for use as a polling station. There is no obvious buildings within or close to the new parish of Hamilton Lea which could be used as a polling station, however, there are options the ARO is considering, as follows:-

- to site a temporary mobile unit as a polling station within the boundary of the new parish;
- to have more than one polling station allocated at the Jubilee Room, Village Hall, Barkby which would facilitate voting for electors for the parishes of Barkby, Barkby Thorpe, Beeby and the new parish and polling district of Hamilton Lea.

ROTHLEY & THURCASTON			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
CQ Rothley	3932	The Lecture Room, The Rothley Centre, 12 Mountsorrel Lane, Rothley	SATISFACTORY
CT Swithland	195	Room rear of Swithland Memorial Hall, Main Street, Swithland	SATISFACTORY
DA Cropston	796	Schoolroom, rear of Cropston Chapel Vestry, Station Road, Cropston	SATISFACTORY
DB Thurcaston	950	The Harrison Room, All Saints' Church, Anstey Lane, Thurcaston	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<p><u>Polling District CQ: Polling Station 57 - The Lecture Room, The Rothley Centre, 12 Mountsorrel Lane, Rothley</u></p> <p>Charnwood Borough Council has undertaken a Community Governance Review (CGR) and made recommendations which are to be implemented on 1 April 2019. One of the recommendations of the CGR is to move the Primrose Hill development from the parish of Rothley (Polling District CQ) into the Mountsorrel ward of the parish of Mountsorrel.</p> <p>Once the boundary alteration has been made, the affected properties will cease to be part of the parish of Rothley. However, the parish boundary alteration does not affect the Borough ward or County division boundaries, and therefore the properties will remain in the Rothley and Thurcaston Borough Ward. The electors resident in the properties affected by the boundary change will be entitled to vote at the Mountsorrel Ward of the Parish of Mountsorrel Elections (if contested) and the Rothley and Thurcaston Borough ward elections. As these electors will be eligible to vote in a different borough ward to the rest of the properties within the parish of Mountsorrel and a different parish ward to the rest of the properties in the parish of Rothley, the ARO is proposing to create a new Polling District for the Primrose Hill development area, that will become part of the parish of Mountsorrel.</p> <p>The electors that fall within the boundary of the newly created Polling District will require voting facilities, and therefore the ARO is seeking to identify a venue for use as a polling station. As there is no obvious building within or close to the Primrose Hill development, the ARO is currently assessing and considering the option of siting a mobile unit as a polling station within the boundary of the Primrose Hill development and the newly created polling district.</p>			



Polling Districts DA (Cropston) & DB (Thurcaston)

The recommendations of the Community Governance Review will 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), with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019. This will require an alteration to the polling district boundaries for the parish wards, but the existing polling station arrangements will remain unchanged. There is no effect on Borough ward or County division boundaries.

SYSTON EAST			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
CU Syston East No.1	2395	Syston Baptist Church, Goodes Lane entrance, Syston	SATISFACTORY
CV Syston East No.2 CW Syston East No. 3	1892 1173	Scout Hall Oxford Street, Syston	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

SYSTON WEST			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
CX Syston West No.1	2703	Fosse Way Bowling Club Fosse Way, Syston	SATISFACTORY
CY Syston West No.2	2373	Community Centre School Street, Syston	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

THURMASTON			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
DC Thurmaston No.1	1984	Silverdale Community Centre Silverdale Drive, Thurmaston	SATISFACTORY
DD Thurmaston No.2	1747	Church Hill, Primary School Church Hill Road, Thurmaston	SATISFACTORY

DE Thurmaston No.3	1529	Sports Hall, Elizabeth Park Sports and Community Centre	SATISFACTORY
DF Thurmaston No.4	1044	Memorial Hall 722 Melton Road, Thurmaston	SATISFACTORY
DG Thurmaston No. 5	1462		
<b>ARO's Comments &amp; Proposals</b>			
<p><u>Polling District DD: Thurmaston No. 2</u></p> <p>The Community Governance Review undertaken by Charnwood Borough Council 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. This will be with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> 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 ARO will keep the situation under review as the new development progresses. There is no effect on Borough ward or County division boundaries.</p>			

<b>WREAKE VILLAGES</b>			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
CJ Cossington	423	Jubilee Hall Main Street, Cossington	SATISFACTORY
CO Ratcliffe on the Wreake	146	Village Hall Ratcliffe on the Wreake	SATISFACTORY
CP Rearsby	955	Village Hall, 1851 Melton Road Rearsby	SATISFACTORY
CR Seagrave	474	Village Hall Green Lane, Seagrave	SATISFACTORY
CZ Thrussington	467	Village Hall Hoby Road, Thrussington	SATISFACTORY
<b>ARO's Comments &amp; Proposals</b>			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

## LOUGHBOROUGH PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY

BARROW & SILEBY WEST			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
Z Barrow	4976	Barrow Methodist Church Hall, North Street, Barrow Upon Soar	SATISFACTORY
AK Sileby West	435	Community Centre, Rear Entrance, High Street, Sileby	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<p><u>Polling District Z: Polling Station. 26 - Barrow Methodist Church Hall, North Street, Barrow Upon Soar</u></p> <p>Due to the large number of electors in Polling District Z the ARO is considering the possibility of splitting it and creating a new polling district, and is also seeking to identify an additional polling station to provide polling facilities for the new polling district within the Barrow and Sileby West Ward.</p>			

LOUGHBOROUGH ASHBY			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
A L'boro Ashby No.1	1976	"The Hut", 14-16 Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
B L'boro Ashby No.2	38	Room JJ018, Pool Room Lecture Theatres, University Campus, Loughborough	SEE COMMENTS
C L'boro Ashby No.3	322	Thorpe Acre Church Centre Thorpe Acre Road, L'boro	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<p><u>Polling District B: Polling Station 15 - Room JJ018, Pool Room Lecture Theatres, University Campus, Loughborough</u></p> <p>It had been agreed with the University that room JJ018, Pool Room Lecture Theatres, University Campus was to be used as a polling station to serve Polling District B. For the past few years the University has, for various reasons, not been able to offer the agreed location for polling purposes and other buildings have been used instead, including the Keith Green Building and the The Sports Hall in the EHB Sports Complex.</p> <p>The ARO is aware that in recent years lack of consistency of the polling station venue and location has been problematic, and is therefore seeking to identify a suitable permanent polling venue on the University campus.</p> <p>The ARO has approached the Loughborough Students Union and has carried out an inspection of a number of rooms within the ground floor area of the Students Union, to assess its suitability as a polling station. The result of the assessment is that the Students Union building is considered to have adequate facilities for polling, including parking and disabled access. The ARO is therefore proposing The Students Union as a suitable venue for providing polling facilities for Polling District B.</p>			

LOUGHBOROUGH DISHLEY & HATHERN			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
D L'boro Dishley & Hathern No.1	2010	Community Centre, Robert Bakewell Primary School Barsby Drive, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
E L'boro Dishley & Hathern No.2	1243	Gorse Covert Community Centre, Maxwell Drive, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
F L'boro Dishley & Hathern No.3	1871	St Peter & St Paul's Church, Church Street, Hathern	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<u>Polling District F: Polling Station 6 - St Peter and St Paul's Church, Church Street, Hathern</u>			
<p>Charnwood Borough Council has undertaken a Community Governance Review (CGR) and made recommendations which are to be implemented on 1 April 2019. One of the recommendations of the CGR is to create a new parish called Stonebow Village comprising the area around Garendon Park, which currently falls within 3 separate Polling Districts of F, G, AE, and the 3 borough wards of Loughborough Dishley and Hathern, Loughborough Garendon and Shepshed East. Once the new parish has been created it will cease to be part of the existing parishes of Hathern, Shepshed and of the unparished area of Loughborough. However, the 3 areas that make up the new village will remain in their existing Borough wards and County divisions.</p> <p>To enable the new parish of Stonebow Village to cease being part of the current areas of Hathern, Shepshed and Loughborough, but remain in the Borough ward and County division areas then the ARO is proposing to create 3 new Polling Districts for the village. There are only 7 properties that currently fall within the new village boundary, although this number will increase as the area becomes developed. The 3 new Polling Districts the ARO is proposing to create for Stonebow Village will be based on the existing boundaries for Hathern, Loughborough and Shepshed that fall within the area of the new parish. The electors that fall within the boundaries of the new Polling Districts will continue to vote at the polling station they are currently allocated for voting at the Borough Ward elections, although they will not be entitled to vote at any contested parish elections for Shepshed or Hathern.</p> <p>As the area is developed the ARO will then seek suitable venues as polling stations to provide voting facilities for the electors in the newly created polling districts and the parish of Stonebow Village.</p>			

LOUGHBOROUGH GARENDON			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
G L'boro Garendon No.1	2986	Thorpe Acre Church Centre Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
H L'boro Garendon No.2	1619	Boothwood CP School Old Ashby Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY

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**Polling District G: Polling Station 7 -Thorpe Acre Church Centre, Thorpe Acre Road, Loughborough**

Charnwood Borough Council has undertaken a Community Governance Review (CGR) and made recommendations which are to be implemented on 1 April 2019. One of the recommendations of the CGR is to create a new parish called Stonebow Village comprising the area around Garendon Park, which currently falls within 3 separate Polling Districts of F, G, AE, and the 3 borough wards of Loughborough Dishley and Hathern, Loughborough Garendon and Shepshed East. Once the new parish has been created it will cease to be part of the existing parishes of Hathern, Shepshed and of the unparished area of Loughborough. However, the 3 areas that make up the new village will remain in their existing Borough wards and County divisions.

To enable the new parish of Stonebow Village to cease being part of the current areas of Hathern, Shepshed and Loughborough, but remain in the Borough ward and County division areas then the ARO is proposing to create 3 new Polling Districts for the village. There are only 7 properties that currently fall within the new village boundary, although this number will increase as the area becomes developed. The 3 new Polling Districts the ARO is proposing to create for Stonebow Village will be based on the existing boundaries for Hathern, Loughborough and Shepshed that fall within the area of the new parish. The electors that fall within the boundaries of the new Polling Districts will continue to vote at the polling station they are currently allocated for voting at the Borough Ward elections, although they will not be entitled to vote at any contested parish elections for Shepshed or Hathern.

As the area is developed the ARO will then seek suitable venues as polling stations to provide voting facilities for the electors in the newly created polling districts and the parish of Stonebow Village.

**LOUGHBOROUGH HASTINGS**

Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
I L'boro Hastings No.1	1763	Cobden CP School Hume Street Entrance, L'boro	SATISFACTORY
J L'boro Hastings No.2	2742	Moira Youth & Community Centre Moira Street, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY

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**Polling District I: Polling Station 9 - Cobden CP School Hume Street Entrance, L'boro**

A request has been received asking the ARO to consider using the Childrens Centre on Hume Street as a polling station, as an alternative venue to Cobden CP School which currently facilitates voting for electors in Polling District I.

The ARO is currently assessing and considering the request.

LOUGHBOROUGH LEMYNGTON			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
K L'boro Lemyngton No.1	3937	Fearon Hall, Rectory Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
L L'boro Lemyngton No.2	834	Mobile Unit, Ring O Bells Carpark, Derby Road, L'boro	Not assessed as not a permanent structure
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<u>Polling Districts K: Polling Station 11- Fearon Hall, Rectory Road, Loughborough</u>			
<p>Charnwood Borough Council has undertaken a Community Governance Review (CGR) and made recommendations which are to be implemented on 1 April 2019. One of the recommendations of the CGR is for the alteration of boundaries of the parishes of Prestwold and Cotes and the unparished area of Loughborough. The boundary alteration will consist of moving the properties located at Back Lane in the parish of Prestwold (Polling District AB3) and several properties on Nottingham Road in the unparished area of Loughborough (Polling District K), into the parish of Cotes.</p> <p>Once the boundary alterations have been made, the properties affected by the change will cease to be part of the existing parish of Prestwold, and the unparished area of Loughborough. The parish boundary alteration does not affect the Borough ward or County division boundaries, and therefore the properties affected in the unparished area of Loughborough will remain in the Loughborough Lemyngton Borough Ward and the properties currently located in the parish of Prestwold will remain in The Wolds Borough Ward.</p> <p>Under the new parish boundary arrangements the properties currently in the unparished area of Loughborough, will become part of the parish of Cotes, and polling district boundaries will need to be amended accordingly. The electors for that area will therefore be entitled to vote at the Burton, Cotes and Prestwold parish election (if contested) but not in The Wolds Borough ward as they remain in the Borough ward of Loughborough Lemyngton. As these electors will be eligible to vote in a different Borough ward to the rest of the properties within the parish of Cotes the ARO is proposing to create a new Polling District for the current Loughborough area that will become part of the parish of Cotes.</p> <p>The electors that fall within the boundary of the newly created Polling District will continue to vote at the polling station they are currently allocated to for voting at the Loughborough Lemyngton Borough Ward elections, which is Fearon Hall. By having a separate Polling District and register to the current polling district K which is allocated to the Polling Station at Fearon Hall, this will enable the ARO to make arrangements for the electors to vote at Fearon Hall for both the Burton, Cotes and Prestwold Parish elections (if contested) and the Loughborough Lemyngton Borough ward elections.</p>			

LOUGHBOROUGH NANPANTAN			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
M L'boro Nanpantan No.1	2631	Holywell Free Church, Berkeley Road, L'boro	SATISFACTORY

N L'boro Nanpantan No.2	331	Greenfields Sports and Social Club, Holt Drive, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
O L'boro Nanpantan No.3	9	Room JJ018, Pool Room Lecture Theatres, University Campus, Loughborough	SEE COMMENTS
<b>ARO's Comments &amp; Proposals</b>			
<u>Polling District O: Polling Station 15 - Room JJ018, Pool Room Lecture Theatres, University Campus, Loughborough</u>			
<p>It had been agreed with the University that room JJ018, Pool Room Lecture Theatres, University Campus was to be used as a polling station to serve Polling District O. For the past few years the University has, for various reasons, not been able to offer the agreed location for polling purposes and other buildings have been used instead, including the Keith Green Building and the The Sports Hall in the EHB Sports Complex.</p> <p>The ARO is aware that in recent years lack of consistency of the polling station venue and location has been problematic, and is therefore seeking to identify a suitable permanent polling venue on the University campus.</p> <p>The ARO has approached the Loughborough Students Union and has carried out an inspection of a number of rooms within the ground floor area of the Students Union, to assess its suitability as a polling station. The result of the assessment is that the Students Union building is considered to have adequate facilities for polling, including parking and disabled access. The ARO is therefore proposing The Students Union as a suitable venue for providing polling facilities for Polling District O.</p>			

<b>LOUGHBOROUGH OUTWOODS</b>			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
P L'boro Outwoods No.1	2779	Greenfields Sports and Social Club, Holt Drive, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
Q L'boro Outwoods No.2	1632	Woodbrook Vale High School Grasmere Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
<b>ARO's Comments &amp; Proposals</b>			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

<b>LOUGHBOROUGH SHELTHORPE</b>			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
R L'boro Shelthorpe No.1	1921	Outwoods Edge CP School, 4 Plus Unit, Laurel Road Entrance, L'boro	SATISFACTORY

S L'boro Shelthorpe No.2	2332	Good Shepherd Church Hall Park Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
T L'boro Shelthorpe No.3	1113	Youth Centre, Shelthorpe School Woodthorpe Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
U L'boro Shelthorpe No.4	820	Mobile Unit, grassed area, corner of Allendale Road/Highland Drive, L'boro	Not assessed as not a permanent structure

**ARO's Comments & Proposals**

Polling District U: Polling Station 4 - Mobile Unit, grassed area, corner of Allendale Road/Highland Drive, Loughborough

An inspection has been carried out of the area and land where the mobile unit has previously been sited in Polling District U. The area of land is currently being developed and therefore the ARO is proposing to seek an alternative site in or near to Polling District U to site a mobile unit to serve as a polling station.

The ARO is also looking for 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 include 25 properties on Alan Turing Road, Loughborough, which is part of the same development that forms most of Polling District U within Loughborough Shelthorpe Ward. 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 ARO is considering the use of a mobile unit.

Mobile units are costly to operate especially for a small number of electors, however both the new Polling District and Polling District U are on the same development and both will require a mobile unit as use as a polling station. Therefore, an option the ARO is currently considering is to have one mobile unit on the development, potentially with 2 separate entrances that will serve as 2 polling stations for the new Polling District in Forest Bradgate Ward and the Polling District U in the Loughborough Shelthorpe Ward.

<b>LOUGHBOROUGH SOUTHFIELDS</b>			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
V L'boro Southfields No.1	1799	Polish Community Centre William Street Entrance, L'boro	SATISFACTORY
W L'boro Southfields No.2	2192	Victoria Day Centre Albert Street, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
<b>ARO's Comments &amp; Proposals</b>			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			



LOUGHBOROUGH STORER			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
X L'boro Storer No.1	2153	The Ashby Hall Methodist Church Knightthorpe Road, Loughborough	SATISFACTORY
Y L'boro Storer No.2	1805	Main Hall, Rosebery St Peters Community Centre, Storer Road, L'boro	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

QUORN & MOUNTSORREL CASTLE			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
AC1 Mountsorrel North End Ward	541	Parish Rooms Leicester Road, Mountsorrel	SATISFACTORY
AC2 Mountsorrel Castle Ward	515		
AD Quorn	4611	Village Hall Leicester Road, Quorn	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
<u>Polling Distrit AD: Polling Station 31 - Village Hall, Leicester Road, Quorn</u>			
Due to the large number of electors in Polling District AD the ARO is considering the possibility of splitting and creating a new polling district and is also seeking to identify an additional polling station to provide polling facilities for the new polling district.			

SHEPshed EAST			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
AE Shepshed East No.1	2394	Youth Centre, Hind Leys College Forest Street, Shepshed	SATISFACTORY
AF Shepshed East No.2	2742	Top Studio, Newcroft, Primary School, Trueway Drive, Shepshed	SATISFACTORY

**ARO's Comments & Proposals**

**Polling District AE: Polling Station 32 - Youth Centre, Hind Leys College, Forest Street, Shepshed**

The ARO has been notified that the name of the college/school that the Youth Centre forms part of has changed to Iveshead School. The ARO will arrange for the information to be updated on the electoral system so any future correspondence including poll cards will contain the correct information.

Charnwood Borough Council has undertaken a Community Governance Review (CGR) and made recommendations which are to be implemented on 1 April 2019. One of the recommendations of the CGR is to create a new parish called Stonebow Village comprising the area around Garendon Park, which currently falls within 3 separate Polling Districts of F, G, AE, and the 3 borough wards of Loughborough Dishley and Hathern, Loughborough Garendon and Shepshed East. Once the new parish has been created it will cease to be part of the existing parishes of Hathern, Shepshed and of the unparished area of Loughborough. However, the 3 areas that make up the new village will remain in their existing Borough wards and County divisions.

To enable the new parish of Stonebow Village to cease being part of the current areas of Hathern, Shepshed and Loughborough, but remain in the Borough ward and County division areas then the ARO is proposing to create 3 new Polling Districts for the village. There are only 7 properties that currently fall within the new village boundary, although this number will increase as the area becomes developed. The 3 new Polling Districts the ARO is proposing to create for Stonebow Village will be based on the existing boundaries for Hathern, Loughborough and Shepshed that fall within the area of the new parish. The electors that fall within the boundaries of the new Polling Districts will continue to vote at the polling station they are currently allocated for voting at the Borough Ward elections, although they will not be entitled to vote at any contested parish elections for Shepshed or Hathern.

As the area is developed the ARO will then seek suitable venues as polling stations to provide voting facilities for the electors in the newly created polling districts and the parish of Stonebow Village.

**SHEPSHED WEST**

Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
AG Shepshed West No.1	2653	Shepshed Town Council Offices, 47a Charnwood Road, Shepshed	SATISFACTORY
AH Shepshed West No.2	3082	Glenmore Community Centre Thorpe Road, Shepshed	SATISFACTORY

**ARO's Comments & Proposals**

None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.

SILEBY			
Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
AI Sileby No.1	3224	St Gregory's Social Centre, (behind church), 24 The Banks, Sileby	SATISFACTORY
AJ Sileby No.2	2877	Sileby Boys Club, King Street, Car Park Entrance	SATISFACTORY
ARO's Comments & Proposals			
None – no amendments to the current arrangements are proposed.			

## THE WOLDS

Polling District & Polling Place	Electorate as at 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	Current Polling Station	Disabled Access
AA Burton on the Wolds	927	Village Hall Burton on the Wolds	SATISFACTORY
AB1 Hoton AB2 Cotes AB3 Prestwold	295 19 54	Village Hall Hoton	SATISFACTORY
AL Walton on the Wolds	222	Village Hall Walton on the Wolds	SATISFACTORY
AM Wymeswold	1057	Wymeswold Memorial Hall Clay Street, Wymeswold	SATISFACTORY

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#### **Polling Districts AB2 and AB3: Polling Station 28 - Village Hall, Hoton**

Charnwood Borough Council has undertaken a Community Governance Review (CGR) and made recommendations which are to be implemented on 1 April 2019. One of the recommendations of the CGR is for the alteration of boundaries of the parishes of Prestwold and Cotes and the unparished area of Loughborough. The boundary alteration will consist of moving the properties located at Back Lane in the parish of Prestwold (Polling District AB3) and several properties on Nottingham Road in the unparished area of Loughborough (Polling District K), into the parish of Cotes.

Once the boundary alterations have been made, the properties affected by the change will cease to be part of the existing parish of Prestwold, and the unparished area of Loughborough. The parish boundary alteration does not affect the Borough ward or County division boundaries, and therefore the properties affected in the unparished area of Loughborough will remain in the Loughborough Lemyngton Borough Ward and the properties currently located in the parish of Prestwold will remain in The Wolds Borough Ward.

Under the new parish boundary arrangements the properties currently in the unparished area of Loughborough, will become part of the parish of Cotes, and polling district boundaries will need to be amended accordingly. The electors for that area will therefore be entitled to vote at the Burton, Cotes and Prestwold parish election (if contested) but not in The Wolds Borough ward as they remain in the Borough ward of Loughborough Lemyngton. As these electors will be eligible to vote in a different Borough ward to the rest of the properties within the parish of Cotes the ARO is proposing to create a new Polling District for the current Loughborough area that will become part of the parish of Cotes.

The electors that fall within the boundary of the newly created Polling District will continue to vote at the polling station they are currently allocated to for voting at the Loughborough Lemyngton Borough Ward elections, which is Fearon Hall. By having a separate Polling District and register to the current polling district K which is allocated to the Polling Station at Fearon Hall, this will enable the ARO to make arrangements for the electors to vote at Fearon Hall for both the Burton, Cotes and Prestwold Parish elections (if contested) and the Loughborough Lemyngton Borough ward elections.

#### **Polling Districts AA (Burton on the Wolds) and AB3 (Prestwold)**

The Community Governance Review also made a recommendation which will move a small number of properties on the edge of Burton on the Wolds (on Seymour Road), which are currently in the parish of Prestwold, into the parish of Burton on the Wolds. This will have no effect on Borough ward or County division boundaries, but will require an amendment of the polling district boundaries, and in future voters from the properties affected will vote at the polling station at the Village Hall, Burton on the Wolds rather than at the Village Hall, Hoton.