

Record of Officer's Decision

The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Date of Decision:	20.11.24
Decision Maker (Officer):	Chief Executive
Authority for Delegated Decision (Cabinet/Committee Decision or Scheme of Delegation – provide reference):	Schedule 2 Responsibility for Council (non executive) Functions. Part 3.8 of Delegated Functions for the Chief Executive – item 3.
Identify which Portfolio Holder(s)/Committee Chairman consulted?	This is a non-executive matter with responsibility delegated directly from Council to Chief Executive. In the process of the Polling Districts and Places review. All Councillors have been consulted at least twice.
Ward Member(s) consulted?	All Wards see above.
Is it a Key Decision?	No
Is it subject to call-in?	No
Decision Made:	20.11.24
Reason for Decision (if a report was produced to support the Decision, refer to or attach it):	To implement the outcome of the 2024 review of parliamentary polling districts and polling places 2024. Following consideration of comments submitted in the review and active steps taken to provide relevant and accessible electoral arrangements. A report from the Head of Democratic Services and Elections on the review has been fully considered.
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	These are set out in the report associated with this decision and concern the appropriate and necessary steps to conclude the review and make necessary determinations for revised polling districts and places.
Details of any Alternative Options Considered and rejected (together with reasons):	These are set out in the report associated with this decision. Given the duty to undertake the review in a prescribed time window the alternative of not concluding the review was not pursued. The alternative arrangements considered in the review (based on comments received) set out in the report.

Details of any declarations of None interest (by **Portfolio** Holder/Committee Chairman who was consulted by the officer, which related to the decision) If relevant, a note of the dispensation granted by the **Monitoring Officer:** Not applicable - Decision [and report] to be Reason Decision, or published supporting Report, is not If Report is not to be published - tick one of the published: following boxes: The report supporting the Decision contains Tick one or more of the specific confidential information exemptions, The Report supporting the Decision falls within an exemption pursuant to Schedule 12A of the Local and Government Act 1972 Information: Relates to an individual Give more information in the Likely to reveal the identity of an individual final box with regards to why Relating to financial or business affairs of a the exemption applies and person or organisation outweighs the public interest test (which is in favour of Relates to a claim for legal professional privilege disclosure). in legal proceedings Reveals that the Council proposes to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or to make an order or direction under any enactment Relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime And is exempt if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information

Officers

Signed:

Title: Chief Executive

Reasons: n/a

In consultation with: