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Ward and Local Polling District Boundary Review Outcome of the Responses to Consultation

Respondent	Proposal	Outcome of Subsequent Review
Labour Group	<p>Addiscombe East</p> <p><i>Our only comment regarding this ward is in respect of the choice of polling place for ADE3. The current proposed polling district is right at the edge of the polling district and, indeed the ward. We consider that the newly opened and council-owned Ashburton Hall is more central to the polling district and will provide shorter and easier journeys, both on foot and by car (as Ashburton Park has its own car park).</i></p>	<p>ARO agreed and recommends using the suggested polling station.</p>
Labour Group	<p>Addiscombe West</p> <p><i>We are proposing some limited changes, both to make it more convenient for electors but also to seek to ensure that the anticipated developments do not take polling districts over the 2,500 elector level.</i></p> <p><i>The changes we are proposing are:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>The Warren Road/ Hastings Road/ Lower Addiscombe Road part of ADW2 should go into ADW4 as this area is directly opposite the polling place.</i> 	<p>ARO agreed with this and therefore recommends implementing as per the proposal.</p> <p>Further engagement with both the majority and minority groups saw the Billington Hill and southern part of Cherry Orchard Road included in in ADW3.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>The Northern side of Addiscombe Road should vote in the same place as the Southern side, viz ADW5, as this makes it easier for electors to know where to vote.</i> - <i>The western half of Leslie Park Road should go from ADW3 to ADW4, so that this road is no longer split between two polling districts.</i> <p><i>The area round Billinton Hill and the Southern part of Cherry Orchard Road (and the area between these roads and the railway should be included in ADW5, rather than ADW3, so as to provide greater convenience and help to ensure that ADW3 should remain below the 2,500 threshold.</i></p>	
Labour Group	<p><i>Crystal Palace & Upper Norwood</i></p> <p><i>Regarding this ward, we are proposing changes that take the opportunity of the dismantlement of the ward boundary half way through the ward (i.e. the old Upper Norwood/ South Norwood boundary.</i></p> <p><i>We are therefore proposing that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>the Eastern end of Church Road (and roads off it) should no longer go to All Saints but go to the much nearer Phoenix Centre</i> - <i>the Western part of Harold Road should no longer go to the Phoenix Centre but rather the much closer All Saints polling place.</i> 	<p>ARO agreed that the changes proposed made sense.</p>

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	<p><i>There is also an argument that the Beauchamp area could be more moved from CPU5 to CPU4.</i></p>	
<p>Labour Group</p>	<p><i>Fairfield</i></p> <p><i>In terms of this ward, we have looked at it in three parts.</i></p> <p><i>In terms of FFD1, we support the boundary being the constituency boundary. However, the polling place is at the edge of the polling district and the other side of the railway line. We would propose that the polling place be the council-owned Tamworth Annex building, as it is in the heart of the polling district.</i></p> <p><i>In terms of what is shown as FFD2 on the Council's consultation, this area is forecast to have very substantial population growth over the next four years and so would rapidly go well over the 2,500 elector level. Given this and where the developments are forecast to be, we propose that this be split into two polling district, a Western Wellesley Road (& developments off it) Polling District and an Eastern polling district (marked 2 and 3 on the map below). In terms of '2', we would ask that St Mary's Church Hall or Bedford Hall be looked at, as this would be on the same side of Wellesley Road as the bulk of the electors. In terms of '3', we would suggest that St Mary's Junior School could be an option but also suggest that, for 2018, it could share the same polling station as '2'.</i></p>	<p>The ARO agreed in principle to this proposal given that there is a large amount of development taking place, and planned, within this ward. The ARO recommends and the use of the revised polling stations.</p> <p>In view of expected future development, the ward will be kept under review.</p>

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	<p><i>In terms of the Southern half of the ward (FFD3&4), this area is again forecast to have substantial population growth over the next four years. We are also concerned that the Flyover being in the middle of the polling district acts as a barrier in terms of people going to vote. We therefore propose splitting this area into three polling districts, rather than two.</i></p> <p><i>In terms of '4', we would suggest that Fairfield Halls could be the polling place for this polling district. Clearly, for 2018, it would need to be a temporary building or College Green Barclay Road Annex or, indeed, Chatsworth Hall (a Council-owned building).</i></p> <p><i>In terms of '5', we would propose the use of Croydon Clocktower (suggested for 'FFD3 in the Council's consultation) for this polling district. In terms of '6', we would propose the use of St Andrew's Community Hub (suggested for 'FFD4 in the Council's consultation) for this polling district.</i></p>	
Labour Group	<p><i>New Addington North</i></p> <p><i>For the Southern half of this ward, we are proposing that there be an East/West rather than North/South split if this area, especially given that NAN4 is the area impacted by the ward boundary changes. This, together with suggestions for polling places for these two, will shorten the distances travel and tackle certain traditionally low turnout areas within that part of the ward.</i></p>	<p>ARO agrees that the proposal makes a better division of the ward. Suggestions for polling stations were noted and were not yet included in the scheme. Further investigation will continue.</p>

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	<p><i>In terms of '2', we support the continued use of the Castle Hill Early Years' Centre, but we are proposing that this be more compact, so not include the Eastern end of Dunley Drive, Alford Green or any part of Headley Drive.</i></p> <p><i>For '3', we would propose a portable office in the Council car park next to the Lodge Lane tower blocks.</i></p> <p><i>For '4', we would propose the use of the Council-owned Goldcrest Community Centre, as a prominent building. This would also address some of the access issues that there have been at Wolsey Junior Academy (for those with poor mobility).</i></p>	
Labour Group	<p><i>New Addington South</i></p> <p><i>We have proposed changes to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>reduce the number of roads which are split between two (or more) polling districts</i> - <i>move the polling place for NAS3, and adjust its boundaries to reflect this</i> <p><i>In terms of the NAS1/4 boundary, we are proposing that Queen Elizabeth Drive be wholly NAS4 and Gascoigne Road wholly in NAS1, as well as retaining the current split of Salcot Crescent.</i></p> <p><i>In terms of NAS3, we are proposing the use of the about to be redeveloped building on Milne Park (former Changing rooms), rather than the Fairchildes</i></p>	<p>ARO agreed in principle with the proposals especially that of having whole roads within one district. The proposal was implemented but changed slightly after further engagement with some minor realignment to the boundaries of polling districts NAS2, NAS3 and NAS4. With regards to changing polling station in NAS3 the ARO agreed that the proposal was valid but as it was unlikely that the proposed building would be ready for 2018 elections the existing polling station would remain for this year and a change be looked at upon completion of the proposed site.</p>

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	<p><i>Nursery, which is right on the edge of the ward and has some issues around pedestrian access. In terms of 2018, we would propose a portable office next to the building on Milne Park.</i></p> <p><i>In the light of having the more central location, we are taking the opportunity to have the whole of Arnhem Drive, Milne Park East and the main part of Milne Park West into that polling district.</i></p>	
Labour Group	<p><i>Park Hill & Whitgift</i></p> <p><i>We are concerned that the Park Hill Rise area has been included with the Whitgift Estate and have an onerous journey to get to the polling place.</i></p> <p><i>We therefore have proposed that the Whitgift polling place serve the Eastern side of the ward, starting with Radcliffe Road.</i></p> <p><i>Ideally, the Park Hill area would be one polling district. However, it is already forecast at over 2,500 on the original boundaries and the inclusion of the Park Hill Rise area would take it even further.</i></p> <p><i>In terms of polling places, we have suggested the continued use of St Matthew's Church and again using Archbishop Tennison's School, which has been used in the past. Alternatively, although we would not favour this, there could be a double polling station or</i></p>	<p>ARO agreed with this proposal. Although only two polling districts are strictly needed, the topographical and geographical nature of this ward makes having three districts much more convenient for the voters. This was implemented with a small road change after further engagement with both political parties.</p>

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	<p><i>polling station which had significantly increased staff at St Matthew's Church.</i></p>	
<p>Labour Group</p>	<p>Shirley North</p> <p><i>We do not feel that the proposed polling districts afford electors with natural polling places or journeys.</i></p> <p><i>In particular, we would highlight:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>the way those living in the Longheath Gardens area have to cross Long Lane and go some distance to reach Monks Orchard Primary</i> - <i>the way those on the Eastern end of Wickham Road (and roads off it) have to go all the way to Orchard Way Primary</i> <p><i>We have provided two options, a seven polling district and a six polling district option. The real difference is how many polling districts the Central part of the ward is split into (i.e. two or three).</i></p> <p><i>In terms of polling places, the area marked '2' could use Longheath Community Centre as its polling place.</i></p> <p><i>In terms of the Southern polling district, '6' in preferred option, '5' in the alternative, we would propose using the Council-owned Shirley Library as the polling place, as it is very visible and much more central to that area.</i></p>	<p>There was more than one proposal for this ward and they were mapped and tested. Site visits took place to come up with a scheme that best suited the ward. Officers walked the ward, including the Longheath estate and the final scheme reflects officers' views that the estate should be treated as a separate area due to the nature of its urban geography.</p>

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	<p><i>For polling district marked '7' in the preferred option/ '6' in the alternative, we would propose the use of the NHS Shirley Clinic on Shirley Road, as this would be much more central to that polling district (e.g. considering distance that those in Shirley Park Road would have to go) and be convenient for those living in the Shirley Oaks area.</i></p>	
Labour Group	<p>Selsdon Vale and Forestdale</p> <p><i>Having looked at this, we propose that SVF3/4/5 polling districts be consolidated into two polling districts, with</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>'3' being at Forestdale Forum (the SVF3 polling place in the Council's consultation) and taking all of Pixton Way and the roads off it.</i> - <i>'4' being at Courtwood Primary (the SVF4 polling place in the Council's consultation) and taking in all of Courtwood Lane and the roads off it as well as Featherbed Lane.</i> 	<p>ARO recommends adoption of this proposal.</p>
Labour Group	<p>Waddon</p> <p><i>Whilst supporting much of the proposals, we do have the following comments regarding the and, where this involves changes to polling districts rather than polling places, these are illustrated in the map below.</i></p>	<p>This is a diverse area with a mixture of housing estates and industrial and retail park areas. The Labour group submitted a proposal making the south of the ward's district boundary splits north to south rather than east/west. This suggestion was accepted by the ARO as either scheme works but the consultation response,</p>

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The North-eastern part of the ward (marked '7') has been included in WDN2 in the Council's consultation. However, this area is in a different parliamentary constituency from the rest of WDN2 and is geographically separate, being the other side of the railway line. Even though this area has a small electorate at the current time (c. 300 electors), given these factors, we would propose that this area is a polling district in its own right, with the polling place either at the Wandle Park Café or a portable office in the Council-owned Factory Lane Car Park.

In terms of WDN4 and WDN5, we feel that this area would be better served by an East-West divide rather than a North-South divide, as used to be the case. This would also allow the polling place for each of the polling districts to be clearly within the relevant polling district. In terms of the Western side ('4' on the map), we would propose that the Waddon Leisure Centre be the polling place. It is a high visibility Council facility. In addition, not only is it easily accessible from the Waddon estate part of that polling district, but it is very easily accessible and known to those in the Stafford Road area and the new residents in Propeller Crescent.

In terms of the Eastern side, ('5' on the map), we would propose that the polling place be Aerodrome Primary Academy. Again, it is a high visibility site well situated in the heart of that polling district.

once mapped and tested, provides a better voter experience in the view of the ARO.

The revised scheme was implemented after further engagement with both political parties. A minor change was also made to rectify a mapping error on the boundaries of WDN1 and WDN3.

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	<p><i>Bearing in mind electorates in the different polling districts and proposed polling places, we would propose that the area at the Southern part of Haling Park Road be in '5', rather than in WDN6, as the polling place for '5' will be closer than the one for WDN6.</i></p> <p><i>Finally for WDN2, we feel that the Old Town Youth Club is not suitable, given the topography and road layout. We would suggest that either Cranmer Hall on Sylverdale Road or the Salvation Army on Booth Road would be much more suitable.</i></p>	
Other submissions		
Councillor Mansell & Councillor Flemming	<p><i>Norbury Park and Norbury and Pollards Hill.</i> <i>Both Councillors made separate but similar proposals</i></p>	<p>ARO agreed that these proposals made for a much-improved elector experience in both wards. Following the mapping and testing of the proposals the proposed scheme is being recommended.</p>
Jerry Fitzpatrick	<p><i>Addiscombe West</i></p>	<p>This proposal mirrored the submission of the Labour Group and is reflected in the Addiscombe West scheme response, above.</p>
Councillor Pelling	<p><i>Waddon</i></p>	<p>This proposal mirrored the submission of the Labour Group and is reflected in the Waddon scheme response, above.</p>
Councillor Bird	<p><i>Old Coulsdon</i></p>	<p>This will be resolved as the roads and addresses are moved into the new, agreed schemes for each ward.</p>

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	<i>A comment about a split of Reddown Road in Old Coulsdon ward leaving a single voter in another district.</i>	
Councillor Chatterjee	<i>Responded to the consultation stating he supported the original proposals and that they were “practical and meet the needs of the electorate”.</i>	No ARO response required.