

REPORT TO CABINET

Open/Exempt		Would any decisions proposed :		
Any especially affected Wards Fairstead	Mandatory/ Discretionary / Operational	Be entirely within Cabinet's powers to decide	NO	
		Need to be recommendations to Council	YES	
		Is it a Key Decision	YES	
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		Other Members consulted:		
Lead Officer: Ray Harding E-mail: ray.harding@west-norfolk.gov.uk Direct Dial: 01553 616245		Other Officers consulted:		
Financial Implications NO	Policy/Personnel Implications NO	Statutory Implications NO	Equal Impact Assessment NO If YES: Pre-screening/ Full Assessment	Risk Management Implications NO

Date of meeting: 8 January 2019

POLLING DISTRICT AND POLLING PLACE REVIEW

Summary

This report presents to Council a revised Polling District and Polling Place Review Schedule.

Recommendation

The attached Polling District and Polling Place Review Schedule is adopted.

Reason for Decision

To ensure that the Council meets its statutory obligations.

1. BACKGROUND

Members will be aware of the Council's duty to undertake a review of the polling districts and polling places in respect of Parliamentary electoral areas that fall within the boundaries of the Borough. This review was last conducted in 2013 and needs to be concluded again by January 2020. However in the meantime the Local Government Boundary Commission for England has published new electoral arrangements for the Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk, which requires an interim review to be undertaken ahead of the May 2019 elections. It is the Returning Officer's responsibility to keep polling stations under review.

Views have been sought from all MEPs, MPs, County Councillors, and Borough Councillors and political groups who contested the last UK

Parliamentary Election. In addition, Parish Councils and the Borough Council's Access Officer have been consulted together with Disability Groups.

2. OPTION CONSIDERED

Representations closed on 10 December 2018 and were published accordingly, a copy of which are attached. The Returning Officer made further comments to the two representations received. Copy attached as an Appendix

3. Policy Implications

None.

4. Financial Implications

None.

5. Statutory Considerations

Publishing the Polling District and Polling Place Review Schedule is a statutory requirement.

6. Risk Management

The Council's risk management system is integrated with the Polling District and Polling Place Review, so the risks associated are identified and linked.

7. Access to Information

Background information as referenced in the Polling District and Polling Place Review Schedule.