

## Appendix 2 Warwick District Community Governance Review 2013

Informal meeting Group 1  
8 July 2014

Committee members present: Councillors Illingworth, Gill, Mrs Bunker and Doody

Also Present: Councillor D Botril (Ashow & Stoneleigh Parish Council, University Ward); Councillor V Owen (Burton Green? Parish Council), Councillor Mrs A Kelsey (Old Milverton and Blackdown Parish Council), Councillor J Lander (Old Milverton and Blackdown Parish Council), Councillor C Smith (Leek Wootton & Guys Cliffe Parish Council) and Councillor B Gifford (Royal Leamington Spa Town Council).

All parties present were reminded that this should not be an exercise about Parish Precept or numbers of residents but about the community, its residents and who it would identify with.

|  | <b>Draft Recommendations</b>  | <b>Response of informal meetings</b>  |
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| <b>ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA TOWN COUNCIL</b> |   |   |
| 2  | To recommend aligning the Town Council ward boundaries with the Local Government Boundary Commission for England District wards of Brunswick, Clarendon, Crown, Leam, and Newbold in the town of Royal Leamington Spa.  | Agreed  |
| 3  | To recommend to increase the number of Royal Leamington Spa Town Councillors from 16 to 24 members, with 3 members per ward.  | This had been withdrawn and therefore was not approved  |
| 4  | To recommend including the land of the former North Leamington School site and the new school site currently within Old Milverton and Blackdown joint Parish Council in to the Royal Leamington Spa Manor Town ward. <b>(map reference B)</b>   | Agreed a new Revised boundary so that the new developments on the School site are allocated to Royal Leamington Spa Town Manor Ward and the Rural area is retained within the Old Milverton and Blackdown Joint Parish Council. |
| 5  | To recommend realigning the Milverton Town ward with the Local Government Boundary Commission for England Milverton District ward and include Range Meadow Close, Hopton Crofts and Guy's Cliffe Avenue currently within the parish of Old Milverton in to the Royal Leamington Spa Milverton Town ward. <b>(map reference C)</b> | Old Milverton Parish Council explained that this was not a sensible   |

change because the properties were part of our community, which does not follow District Council boundaries. They were worried as this affected the long term viability of the Parish. It will not effect the quality of life or change service provision, but was likely to have an emotional impact. This impacts on about 1/3 of parish.

Royal Leamington Spa Town Council explained that they are part of the Leamington community and will have to link in and use other services in Leamington to access their own small community.

It was not right that the Parish used the houses of this small community to sustain another

|   |  | community.   |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
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| <b>OLD MILVERTON &amp; BLACKDOWN joint PARISH COUNCIL</b> |  |  |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
| 7   | To recommend warding Old Milverton and Blackdown joint Parish Council, each parish area being a separate parish ward. <b>(map reference G)</b>   | Agreed   |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
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| Blackdown   | Blackdown  | 2  |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
| <b>KENILWORTH TOWN COUNCIL</b>                            |  |  |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
| 8   | To recommend realigning the Abbey and Park Hill Town Council ward boundaries with the Local Government Boundary Commission for England District wards of Abbey and Park Hill in the town of Kenilworth.  | Agreed   |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
| 9   | To recommend realigning the St. John's Town ward with the Local Government Boundary Commission for England St. John's District ward and include the Local Government Boundary Commission for England Kenilworth Town Council Queen's ward in to St. John's Town ward. <b>(map reference E)</b> | Agreed   |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
| 10  | To recommend realigning the south eastern boundary of Kenilworth St John's Town ward and the northern boundary of the parish of Leek Wootton and Guys Cliffe. (map reference 1)  | It was agreed to revise the proposed boundary so that it sat under Wootton Grange, across to the A46 (following the first field boundary south of the cricket club)                      |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
| 11  | To recommend realigning the northern boundary of the Kenilworth Abbey Town ward and northern boundary of the Kenilworth Park Hill Town ward and the southern boundary of parish of Burton Green. <b>(map reference 6)</b>  | Agreed   |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
| <b>BURTON GREEN PARISH COUNCIL</b>                        |  |  |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |
| 12  | To recommend to separate the University ward from Ashow and Stoneleigh joint Parish Council to become a ward of Burton Green Parish Council. <b>(map reference 7)</b>  | There was discussion as to if the University Ward should be its own Parish, however, the feeling was it wanted to be part of a wider community.<br><br>While the University was happy to |           |                    |               |               |   |           |           |   |  |

go to Burton Green Parish, Stoneleigh & Ashow Parish Council wanted to keep the Ward and the Ward had a closer community link with Stoneleigh because of the traffic impact from the University on that village.

Burton Green Parish were happy either way.

Based on this, those present felt the best approach was for the University Ward to stay with Stoneleigh & Ashow Parish Council

**Informal meeting  
Group 2  
9 July 2014**

Committee members present Councillors Illingworth, Pratt, Doody and Wreford-Bush.

Others present: Councillor Gifford (Royal Leamington Spa Town Council), Councillors Saul and Delow (Cubbington Parish Council) and the Clerk to Cubbington Parish Council, Mr Inman.

Councillor Pratt declared a personal interest because he lived on one of the roads affected.

All parties present were reminded that this should not be an exercise about Parish Precept or numbers of residents but about the community, its residents and who it would identify with.

|  | <b>Draft Recommendations</b>   | <b>Response of informal meetings</b>  |
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| <b>ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA TOWN COUNCIL</b> |  |   |
| 1  | <p>To recommend realigning the Manor Town ward with the Local Government Boundary Commission for England Manor District ward and include the New Cubbington area currently within Cubbington Parish Council North ward within the Royal Leamington Spa Manor Town ward. <b>(map reference A)</b></p> | <p>Recognised as a very difficult and balanced decision.</p> <p>Cubbington Parish Council highlighted that this would remove 1/3 of the parish population. The expenditure in other wards is financed from 57% of precept received from North Ward (the area concerned)</p> <p>Royal Leamington Spa Town Council highlighted that even with the removal of these properties Cubbington Parish Council would still have more properties than Bishop's Tacbrook Parish Council.</p> <p>The members present were mindful that the aim is to have coterminous boundaries. At the same time they were mindful of the response rate of the first consultation 109 against and 79 for 2 not minding. The second time, 38 objected and a petition against of 104 signatures was received. But no data matching therefore all might be the same people.</p> <p>They were also mindful that the review should ensure that</p> |

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|  |  | <p>decisions are effective and convenient but in doing so ensure that parishes remain viable. If not, alternative arrangements for that Parish Area should be put in place.</p> <p>There was no agreement on a recommendation to come forward to the full Committee.</p> |
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**Informal meeting  
Group 3  
15 July 2014**

**Committee members present:** Councillors Gill, Illingworth, Guest, Mrs Gallagher, Mrs Knight, Mrs Mellor and Mrs Higgins.

**Others present:** Councillor Heath (Whitnash Town Council), Councillor Mrs Falp (Whitnash), Councillor Leeke (Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council), Councillor Mrs Murphy (Barford Parish Council) and Councillor Mrs Morrison (Royal Leamington Spa Town Council).

All parties present were reminded that this should not be an exercise about Parish Precept or numbers of residents but about the community, its residents and who it would identify with.

|  | <b>Draft Recommendations</b>  | <b>Response of informal meetings</b>   |
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| <b>ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA TOWN COUNCIL</b> |   |  |
| 6  | To recommend realigning the Sydenham Town ward with the Local Government Boundary Commission for England Sydenham District ward and include the Whitnash Town Council East ward in to the Royal Leamington Spa Sydenham Town ward. <b>(map reference D)</b>               | Following representations and discussions it was agreed that revised boundary for Whitnash should be drawn as its northern boundary along the bridle way running from Church Lane. |
| <b>WARWICK TOWN COUNCIL</b>              |   |  |
| 13                                       | To recommend realigning the Town Council ward boundaries with the Local Government Boundary Commission for England District wards of Aylesford, Emscote, Myton & Heathcote, Saltisford and Woodloes in the town of Warwick. Each ward allocated 3 members.                | Agreed   |
| 14                                       | To recommend realigning the northern boundary of the Warwick North Town ward (recommended Woodloes Town ward), the northern boundary of the parish of Budbrooke and the southern boundary of the parish of Leek Wootton and Guys Cliffe. <b>(map reference 2)</b>         | Agreed   |
| 15                                       | To recommend realigning the northern boundary of the parish of Barford, the north western boundary of the parish of Bishop's Tachbrook and the current south eastern Warwick West Town boundary (recommended Aylesford Town ward) along the M40. <b>(map reference 3)</b> | Agreed   |
| 16                                       | To recommend realigning the north western boundary of the parish of Bishop's Tachbrook and southern boundary of the Warwick South Town ward (recommended Myton & Heathcote Town ward) along the centre of Harbury Lane and Europa Way. <b>(map reference H)</b>           | Agreed   |
| 17                                       | To recommend realigning the eastern boundary of the parish of   | Agreed   |

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|                                   | Budbrooke and the current western and the current southern boundary of the Warwick West Town ward (recommended Aylesford Town ward) along the centre of the A46 and the M40. <b>(map reference 4)</b>   |   |
| <b>MYTON &amp; HEATHCOTE WARD</b> |   |   |
| 18                                | To recommend realigning the south eastern boundary of the Warwick South Town ward (recommended ward Myton & Heathcote) between the Whitnash West Town ward and the north eastern boundary of the parish of Bishop's Tachbrook, along the centre of Heathcote Lane and Othello Avenue. <b>(map reference F)</b>  | Agreed  |
| 19                                | To recommend realigning the north western boundary of the parish of Bishop's Tachbrook and the eastern boundary of the Warwick South Town ward (recommended Myton & Heathcote Town ward) along the centre of Miranda Drive from a point where the boundary meets the original boundary at Bolingbroke Drive and in a southerly direction until the original western parish boundary of Bishop's Tachbrook is met at a point on Harbury Lane. <b>(map reference F)</b> | Agreed  |
| <b>WHITNASH TOWN COUNCIL</b>      |   |   |
| 20                                | To recommend realigning the southern boundary of the Whitnash West Town ward, the southern boundary of the current Whitnash East Town ward (proposed Whitnash South Town ward) and the north eastern boundary of the parish of Bishop's Tachbrook along the centre of Tachbrook Road and Harbury Lane, from a point opposite Othello Avenue. <b>(map reference 5)</b>   | <p>Whitnash Town Council explained that Woodside Farm has approved planning permission for 220 properties. Harbury Lane provides a logical boundary.</p> <p>Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council explained that there was no logical argument for the inclusion of this site in Whitnash. The planning application provided no material road connection direct into Whitnash. All children would be driven to school and doctors in Warwick Gates.</p> <p>The combination of further</p> |



applications these bring back former communities of Tachbrook Mallory and Tachbrook Episcapy both mentioned in the doomsday book. Grove Farm if approved would include a school. The Parish would then look to warding for these two sites into the Parish.

Members felt that a decision could not be taken at this stage but asked for the total numbers of properties affected for Whitnash town Council to be included in the final report and how that would affect (or not the) Bishop's Tachbrook Ward.

**Informal meeting  
Group 4  
16 July 2014**

Committee members Present: Councillors MacKay, Doody, Pratt, Gill, Illingworth, Mrs Knight .

|                                | <b>Draft Recommendations</b>  | <b>Response of informal meetings</b>                                   |
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| <b>Polling District Review</b> |   |  |
|                                | To consider revised polling districts for Warwick District based on the amendments to the Parish/Town Boundaries and Ward Boundaries. | Agreed for officers and bring to the meeting in September for approval |