

# ***Chairman's Announcements***

## **Parish Boundary Review Consultation**

### **Summary of announcement:**

Wiltshire Council is currently undertaking a Parish & Community Governance Review. A Community Governance Review is a review of the whole or part of the Council's area to consider one or more of the following:-

- Creating, merging, altering or abolishing parishes
- The naming of parishes and styles of new parishes
- The electoral arrangements of parishes (including the number of councillors to be elected to the council and parish warding)
- Grouping or de-grouping parishes

The Council has appointed a Working Group to carry out this Review and to make recommendations to the Council in due course. The Working Group comprises a representative from each group of the Council (with a substitute permitted to attend). Individual members of the Working Party have been mindful of their position as local members in some cases, and have received advice and guidance in that respect from the Council's Monitoring Officer.

The Review has to ensure that the community governance arrangements within the areas under review reflect the identities and interests of the communities concerned and are effective and convenient to local people.

The following areas are under review:

- Nomansland (Redlynch and Landford)
- Salisbury and surrounding parishes
- Trowbridge and surrounding parishes
- Bishopstrow
- Lyneham and Clyffe Pypard
- Melksham and Melksham Without
- Corsham and Box
- Devizes area
- Calne area

Residents can respond to the consultation and to find out more information at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/communitygovernancereview2015>.

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Public meetings will be held for the larger schemes as follows:

Scheme	Date & Time	Venue
Devizes and surrounding parishes	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2015 7pm	Ceres Hall, Corn Exchange Devizes
Trowbridge and surrounding parishes	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2015 7pm	Atrium, County hall, Trowbridge
Corsham and Box	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2015 7pm	Springfield Campus, Corsham
Salisbury and surrounding areas	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2015 4pm	Salisbury City Hall
Melksham and Melksham Without	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2015 7pm	Melksham Oak School
	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2015 7pm	Melksham Assembly Rooms