

WORKING GROUP ON PARISH & COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEWS

NOTES OF THE WORKING GROUP ON PARISH & COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEWS MEETING HELD ON 2 DECEMBER 2014.

Present:

Cllr Ernie Clark, Cllr Jon Hubbard and Cllr Stuart Wheeler

Also Present:

Cllr Andrew Davis and Cllr Christopher Newbury, Julian Snell (Bishopstrow), Mike Perry (Bishopstrow), Cllr Rob Fryer (Warminster TC), Cllr Jamie Cullen (Warminster TC), Heather Abernethie (Warminster TC Clerk), Paul Talyor, Ian Gibbons, John Watling.

1 **Welcome & Introductions**

The Chairman welcomed all present and introduced the Members and supporting officers for the Working Group.

2 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations

3 **Purpose and Procedures of the meeting**

The procedure for the meeting was detailed, with it explained the purpose was to hear the proposals from the relevant Town and Parish Councils, and to seek the views of other affected Parishes and take questions including from the Working Group, who would produce a set of recommendations, to be consulted upon, which would be considered by Full Council in 2015.

5 **Bishopstrow**

The proposal from Bishopstrow Parish Meeting was presented as detailed in the agenda papers, supplemented with late received documents expanding upon the proposal. The working Group subsequently agreed that the views of the other affected Parish, Sutton Veny Parish Council, be invited to comment upon the amended proposal prior to any recommendation being formed.

6 **Parish Responses (5 Minutes each)**

The relevant parties responded to the proposals presented and sought additional clarification.

7 Consultation

Consultation on any recommendation arrived at would be flexible and take the most appropriate form for a particular Town or Parish, including consideration at Area Boards, letter notifications and other measures.

8 Any other business

There was no other business considered.

(Duration of meeting: 1.55 - 3.00 pm)

The Officer who has produced these minutes is Kieran Elliott of Democratic Services, direct line 01225 718504, e-mail kieran.elliott@wiltshire.gov.uk

Press enquiries to Communications, direct line (01225) 713114/713115

Consideration of Proposals

The Working Group considered the initial proposal to raise the boundary north to the natural line of the River Wylde to be appropriate and reasonable, and subject to the comments of Sutton Veny Parish Council, accepted the reasoning to adjust the southern boundary south to the line of the A36 at Bishopstrow Road.

The working group did not consider there was any governance or natural boundary justification to increase the boundary of the Parish north of the river to the line of Grange Lane, west of Home Farm.

Recommendation

Subject to comments from Sutton Veny Parish Council, to amend the boundary north to the River Wylde and south to the A36 at Bishopstrow Road.