# **Electoral Review Committee**

## MINUTES OF THE ELECTORAL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 SEPTEMBER 2021 AT COUNCIL CHAMBER - COUNTY HALL, BYTHESEA ROAD, TROWBRIDGE, BA14 8JN.

#### Present:

Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling (Chairman), Cllr Gavin Grant (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Ian McLennan and Cllr Antonio Piazza

#### 11 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Allison Bucknell, Ernie Clark, Jacqui Lay, Ashley O'Neill, Paul Sample JP, Stuart Wheeler.

### 12 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 July 2021 were presented for consideration, and it was,

#### **Resolved:**

Subject to a correction to Minute 2 to change reference from 'Chairman' to 'Vice-Chairman', to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting as a true and correct record.

#### 13 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations.

### 14 Chairman's Announcements

There were no announcements

#### 15 **Public Participation**

There were no statements or questions submitted.

#### 16 Community Governance Review 2021/22

A report was received setting out proposed terms of reference for a Community Governance Review, in accordance with the prioritisation of requests as discussed at the meeting on 12 July 2021.

The Committee confirmed that it would progress a review involving Malmesbury/St Paul Malmesbury Without, Beechingstoke and surrounding parishes, and Calne Without and surrounding parishes, in accordance with the draft terms of reference.

The importance of consultation at appropriate stages was discussed, and it was agreed that pre-consultation information gathering would involve online surveys, briefing notes and physical meetings in review areas, and that all Committee members would be involved at all stages of the process.

At the conclusion of discussion, it was,

# Resolved:

- 1) To approve the Terms of Reference for a Community Governance Review as detailed at Appendix A of the report, to formally commence on 22 September 2021.
- 2) To confirm that any requests in respect of changing the names of the parishes, including that from Biddestone Parish Council, be progressed under S75 of the Local Government Act 1972 at an appropriate time.

# 17 Urgent Items

There were no urgent items.

(Duration of meeting: 2.30 - 2.45 pm)

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