## Wiltshire Council Where everybody matters

# AGENDA

Meeting:Electoral Review CommitteePlace:The Lacock Room, County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 8JNDate:Wednesday 5 September 2018Time:9.30 am

Please direct any enquiries on this Agenda to Kieran Elliott, of Democratic Services, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, direct line 01225 718504 or email <u>kieran.elliott@wiltshire.gov.uk</u>

Press enquiries to Communications on direct lines (01225) 713114/713115.

This Agenda and all the documents referred to within it are available on the Council's website at <u>www.wiltshire.gov.uk</u>

#### Membership:

Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling Cllr Clare Cape Cllr Richard Clewer (Chairman) Cllr Gavin Grant Cllr Ian McLennan Cllr Christopher Newbury Cllr Ashley O'Neill Cllr Jonathon Seed (Vice-Chairman) Cllr Stuart Wheeler Cllr Graham Wright

#### Substitutes:

Cllr Peter Fuller Cllr Ruth Hopkinson Cllr Nick Murry

Cllr Jacqui Lay Cllr Ricky Rogers Cllr Ian Thorn

#### **Recording and Broadcasting Information**

Wiltshire Council may record this meeting for live and/or subsequent broadcast on the Council's website at <u>http://www.wiltshire.public-i.tv</u>. At the start of the meeting, the Chairman will confirm if all or part of the meeting is being recorded. The images and sound recordings may also be used for training purposes within the Council.

By entering the meeting room you are consenting to being recorded and to the use of those images and recordings for broadcasting and/or training purposes.

The meeting may also be recorded by the press or members of the public.

Any person or organisation choosing to film, record or broadcast any meeting of the Council, its Cabinet or committees is responsible for any claims or other liability resulting from them so doing and by choosing to film, record or broadcast proceedings they accept that they are required to indemnify the Council, its members and officers in relation to any such claims or liabilities.

Details of the Council's Guidance on the Recording and Webcasting of Meetings is available on request. Our privacy policy can be found <u>here</u>

#### Parking

To find car parks by area follow <u>this link</u>. The three Wiltshire Council Hubs where most meetings will be held are as follows:

#### County Hall, Trowbridge Bourne Hill, Salisbury Monkton Park, Chippenham

County Hall and Monkton Park have some limited visitor parking. Please note for meetings at County Hall you will need to log your car's registration details upon your arrival in reception using the tablet provided. If you may be attending a meeting for more than 2 hours, please provide your registration details to the Democratic Services Officer, who will arrange for your stay to be extended.

#### **Public Participation**

Please see the agenda list on following pages for details of deadlines for submission of questions and statements for this meeting.

For extended details on meeting procedure, submission and scope of questions and other matters, please consult <u>Part 4 of the council's constitution</u>.

The full constitution can be found at this link.

For assistance on these and other matters please contact the officer named above for details

### AGENDA

#### 1 Apologies

To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

#### 2 **Minutes** (Pages 5 - 6)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 25 June 2018.

#### 3 Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

#### 4 Chairman's Announcements

To receive any announcements through the Chair.

#### 5 **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

#### <u>Statements</u>

If you would like to make a statement at this meeting on any item on this agenda, please register to do so at least 10 minutes prior to the meeting. Up to 3 speakers are permitted to speak for up to 3 minutes each on any agenda item.

Please contact the officer named on the front of the agenda for any further clarification.

#### Questions

To receive any questions from members of the public or members of the Council received in accordance with the constitution.

Those wishing to ask questions are required to give notice of any such questions in writing to the officer named on the front of this agenda no later than 5pm on 29 August 2018 in order to be guaranteed of a written response. In order to receive a verbal response questions must be submitted no later than 5pm on 31 August 2018. Please contact the officer named on the front of this agenda for further advice. Questions may be asked without notice if the Chairman decides that the matter is urgent.

Details of any questions received will be circulated to Committee members prior to the meeting and made available at the meeting and on the Council's website.

#### 6 Electoral Review Update - Stage One Consultation (Pages 7 - 28)

Full Council on 10 July 2018 approved an additional submission to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) in support of the original submission arguing a future council size of 99 was the most appropriate figure.

On 28 August 2018 the LGBCE announced it was minded to agree a figure of 98 councillors to apply from 2021.

A consultation on a pattern of divisions is therefore running from 28 August – 5 November 2018.

The Electoral Review Committee is asked to consider the next stage of the review and how it wishes to proceed.

Towns and parishes, other organisations and members of the public are also invited to make representations directly to the LGBCE, but also the Committee, to assist the Committee in preparing its own submission, which will be considered at Full Council on 16 October 2018.

Attached for information are the techincal guidance from the LGBCE on how to prepare a submission on division boundaries, and Members' Briefing note 366

<u>Timeline</u> 28 August – LGBCE consultation begins 5 September – Electoral Review Committee 2 October – Electoral Review Committee 16 October – Full Council 5Novembr – End of LGBCE consultation

#### 7 Urgent Items

Any other items of business, which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency