

Wiltshire Council

Council

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Community Governance Review – Corsham and Box Update

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 Following the publication of the substantive report on the outcome of the consultation on the Community Governance Review, this report updates the Council on the most recent discussions and consideration of a possible compromise scheme for the Corsham and Box area.

2. Background

2.1 The substantive report informed Council that at a meeting on 23 June 2016 between the Chairman of the Working Group and representatives of Corsham and Box Councils, the possibility of agreeing a new boundary line by way of a compromise was discussed. The formal approval of this scheme was subject to confirmation by both Councils – Box Parish Council on 30 June and Corsham Town Council on 6 July.

2.2 Both Councils have now met and have agreed the proposed compromise scheme as set out in the attached Appendix.

2.3 The Working Group is of the view that the Council should approve the proposed compromise scheme on the basis that: -

- A. It would replace the outdated anomalous boundary that dissected crucially important sites with a clear linear boundary;
- B. It places nationally important industrial sites within one council area, Corsham Town, which would be better placed to support and develop the economic vibrancy and cohesion of the area.

3. Recommendations

That Council approves the recommendation of the Working Group that the compromise scheme for Corsham and Box as set out on the attached plan is approved.

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Background Papers

Letters and documents from councils

Appendices

Mapping for compromise scheme