## POLLING PLACES AND POLLING DISTRICTS REVIEW WORKING GROUP

## Meeting held in Committee Room, Council Offices, Urban Road, Kirkby-in-Ashfield,

## on Monday, 21st August 2023 at 2.00 p.m.

**Present:** Councillor Jason Zadrozny in the Chair;

Councillors Thomas Hollis, Rachel Madden, Andrew Meakin,

and Helen-Ann Smith

**Apologies for Absence:** Councillors Samantha Deakin and Philip Rostance

Officers Present: Carla Benedetti, Gillian Bradley, Ruth Dennis, Michael Joy

and Rachel Newton

## PPD6. <u>Declarations of Interest by Members and Officers</u>

No declarations of interest were made.

### PPD7. Minutes

The Chairman requested that an addition be made to minute PPD2 as set out below:

"Additionally, the information would be used to determine if contact with the Local Government Boundary Commission would be required."

## PPD8. Polling Places – Action Required

Issues had been identified at the first meeting at various polling places. The group discussed these, and the following actions were agreed:

### **ABBEY HILL (ABH1)**

Liaise with Abbey Hill school to ascertain if the school could be used as a polling place whilst remaining open for pupils ensuring that safeguarding measures are met. Additionally, investigate the possibility of siting a mobile unit in the Walesby Drive or Chartwell Road area and the associated costs.

### CARSIC (CAR1 & CAR2)

Create a double station at St Marys Court to see electors living in CAR1 and CAR2 voting in one polling place at separate polling stations.

#### **GREENWOOD & SUMMIT (GSM1)**

There are no alternative buildings in which a polling place could be sited that provides reasonable facilities for electors. To ensure that safeguarding of the children is maintained a meeting to be arranged with the headteacher with the offer of a lockable door being installed, the cost being met by the authority.

#### **HUCKNALL CENTRAL (HCE2)**

Members identified a possible alternative as Holy Cross Catholic church, this venue to be explored.

## **HUCKNALL NORTH (HNO4)**

As Leen Valley Golf club offers inadequate transport links and requires electors to travel a relatively long distance, the possibility of using the Jamie Brough Pavilion situated on Kenbrook Road to be considered.

## **HUCKNALL SOUTH (HSO3)**

Revised boundaries in this polling district may be required, the Chairman to provide an example map at the next meeting for consideration by the group.

## **HUCKNALL WEST (HWE2)**

A site visit be undertaken by officers to identify available venues within the Rolls Royce site and subsequently revisit the polling district boundaries.

## **HUTHWAITE & BRIERLEY (HBR1, HBR2 & HBR3)**

GIS to produce new maps illustrating the proposed boundary changes to HBR1. Further discussion to take place around a new venue to accommodate electors who have previously voted at Mill House Community Centre.

## KIRKBY CROSS & PORTLAND (KXP2 & KXP3)

That the polling districts KXP2 with KXP3 merge and for electors to vote at The Hill Methodist Church.

## STANTON HILL & TEVERSAL (SHL1)

A site visit to All Saints Church on Fackley Road to be undertaken by officers and the findings reported back to the group.

# SKEGBY (SKG3)

Liaise with Dalestorth Primary School to ascertain if the school could be used as a polling place whilst remaining open for pupils ensuring that safeguarding measures are met.

## PPD9. GIS Projection Information

The Corporate Information Analyst took the group through the content of the table as attached to the agenda. The Chairman requested that further projection information be produced and presented at the next meeting. This will allow the group to identify any areas with a change of electorate of 10% and subsequently determine if the authority will be required to engage the Local Government Boundary Commission during the review process.

The meeting closed at 3:35 p.m.

Chairman.