

REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES

The Regulatory and Licensing Committee considered the report on the Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places at their meeting on 19 January 2015 and they agreed the following be recommended to Council:-

Paragraph 4.2 – update to the proposal in that there is no longer a need to look at alternative premises for BA polling district, since more meeting rooms have been identified at the Armitage with Handsacre Village Hall. Subsequently no decision needs to be made as the polling scheme will remain as it is.

Paragraph 4.6 – A preference for the return to the Main Hall at Chadsmead Primary (if the Nursery Block was unable to accommodate the increase in electorate) rather than finding alternative premises at the Friary Grange Leisure Centre or Cricket and Hockey Club for voters in RG1. (The proposal is therefore that Chadsmead Primary School would be designated as the polling place for voters within RG1.)

Paragraph 4.7 – The Electoral Services team have been advised that Burntwood Youth Centre will remain in the ownership of Staffordshire County Council with a view to it being leased out to another party. The terms of the lease will include the requirement for it to be made available to the (Acting) Returning Officer for polling on 7th May 2015. The proposal is still for Council to designate the whole of CL polling district as the polling place, so that suitable premises within it can be sought for any elections beyond May 2015.

Paragraph 4.8 – delete part of 1st sentence which reads “....that has transferred from Chadsmead Ward....” as that is incorrect.

Paragraph 4.9 - to clarify that this recommendation doesn't effect the voters of Stonnall, which are within a different polling district to UA and UC1 referred to in this paragraph. The only reference to Stonnall being in the new ward name of “Ward No.15 (Little Aston & Stonnall)” which was used in the title to this paragraph.