

## **COUNCIL MEETING – 17 JULY 2018**

### **NEWARK COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW**

#### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To approve and publish final proposals for the Community Governance Review of the Newark Town Council boundaries.

#### **2.0 Background Information**

- 2.1 In accordance with the Local Government & Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 the Council has the responsibility for undertaking community governance reviews.
- 2.2 At their meeting held on 10 April 2018 the Council approved draft proposals for the review of the Newark Town Council boundaries and agreed to publish these for a period of consultation.
- 2.3 This consultation on the draft proposals opened on 16 April 2018 and closed on 25 May 2018 in accordance with the revised review timetable. The revised timetable was agreed by the Council at their meeting held on 10 April 2018.
- 2.4 A total of 22 responses were received during this final consultation process. These included representations from Newark Town Council and Balderton Parish Council, one letter and 19 emails (with one additional representation received outside of the deadline) from local residents including a parish and district councillor. These were considered by the Community Governance Review Working Party at their meeting held on 28 June 2018.

#### **3.0 Proposals**

- 3.1 At their meeting the Community Governance Review Working Party considered the representations received and put forward final proposals for consideration by the Council. These are attached as **Appendix A** to the report.
- 3.2 In view of the representations from those residents living in properties 92 – 102 London Road, Newark the Working Party had agreed one amendment to the draft proposals with the final proposals now showing an be unaltered boundary apart from a slight change to redraw along the back gardens to several properties (map 2 refers).
- 3.3 The Working Party also recommended that the whole of the Highfields development site be unified in a single parish and they considered this should be Balderton. Map 2 has also been revised from the draft proposals to indicate the whole development site.

#### **4.0 Next Steps**

- 4.1 Subject to the Council approving the proposals the Council will adopt a Reorganisation of Community Governance Order. Copies of the Order will be deposited at Castle House and will be published on the Council's website.
- 4.2 This Order will require the consent of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.

4.3 The Community Governance Order will take effect from 1 December 2018 to coincide with the publication of the Register of Electors with the electoral arrangements being in place for the elections to be held on 2 May 2019.

**5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS that:**

- (a) the Council consider and approve proposals for the Community Governance Review of Newark Town Council boundaries as set out in Appendix A to the report; and**
- (b) following consent from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, Officers draw up the Community Governance Order to take effect from 1 December 2018.**

Background Papers

Guidance on Community Governance Reviews

Reports and appendices to previous Council Meetings

Stage 2 Representations

Notes from the meeting of the Community Governance Review Working party held on 28 June 2018

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