

**GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**  
**5 SEPTEMBER 2019**

**STATUTORY REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES**

**1.0 Background Information**

- 1.1 Section 16 of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 introduced a number of changes to the Representation of the People Act 1983 in respect of the way in which reviews of polling districts and polling places must be carried out.
- 1.2 A review must be undertaken every four years with the last review having been completed in December 2014.
- 1.3 By 31 January 2020, every relevant authority must have undertaken and completed a review of all the polling districts and polling places in its area. Attached to this report is the introduction to the consultation document.
- 1.4 Following the consultation, the findings will be reported to the Committee's meeting scheduled for 14 November 2019. The Committee will then be asked to put forward a recommended final scheme to the Full Council for approval. The full timetable for the review is set out in the consultation document introduction.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATION**

**That the process to consult on polling districts and polling places be approved in accordance with the proposed timetable.**

**Background Papers**

Full Consultation Document

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