

BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Boundary Review Committee held on Thursday 13 February 2025 at 6.00 pm in Council Chamber, Third Floor, Southwater One, Telford, TF3 4JG

Present: Councillors P Davis (Chair), R A Overton (Vice-Chair),
K T Blundell, E M Callear, N A M England, G C W Latham-Reynolds and
G Thomas

In Attendance: M Wallace (Member Support Officer), J Power
(Organisational Delivery & Development Service Delivery Manager) and
R Phillips (Registrars, Public Protection, Legal & Democracy Service Delivery
Manager)

Apologies:

None.

BRC25 Declarations of Interest

None.

BRC26 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on 5 September be
confirmed and signed by the Chair.

BRC27 Community Governance Review 2025

The Service Delivery Manager: Policy & Governance presented the
Community Governance Review 2025 report.

Members were reminded of the process that started in September 2023,
which had been completed in September 2024. The outcome of the process
concluded that no changes to parish arrangements within the Borough would
be made at that time.

Following agreement at the previous committee meeting it was set out that the
next Community Governance Review would take place this year in 2025. It
was explained to the committee how the process should take place. A key
element of this being to maximise engagement for stakeholders, parish
councils, key partners, borough councillors, MPs and community groups. The
Service Delivery Manager: Policy & Governance presented the timetable (set
out at paragraph 6.3 of the report) for the community governance review and
indicated the proposed completion time of 5 months. The committee were
asked to approve the Terms of Reference (TOR) for publication.

The committee thanked officers for their work. They expressed the
importance of timing within the review and allowing everyone enough time to
submit their responses following careful thought.

Members commented that the timetable was important to ensure all wards were represented whilst ensuring any proposed changes were understood by residents and communities. The committee were keen to hear back from as many people as possible and would really encourage everyone to respond to the review in order to gain the best results.

Following the discussions; Members voted on the recommendations.

RESOLVED – that:

- a) the Terms of Reference for the 2025 Community Governance Review for publication be approved;
- b) the information pack provided as part of the consultation be approved;
- c) the timetable and conclusion of the Community Governance Review 2025 be approved and;
- d) the next steps set out in paragraph 4.3 of the report regarding engagement activity be noted.

The meeting ended at 6.13 pm

Chairman:

Date: Monday 12 May 2025