

BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Boundary Review Committee held on Wednesday 11 February 2026 at 6.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, Southwater One, Telford, TF3 4JG

Present: Councillors G Luter (Chair), Z Hannington (Vice-Chair), K T Blundell, M Boylan, N A Dugmore, N A M England and R A Overton

In Attendance: A Lowe (Director: Policy & Governance), M Wallace (Member Support Officer) and R Phillips (Head of Registrars, Public Protection, Legal & Democracy)

Apologies for Absence:

None.

BRC14 Declarations of Interest

None.

BRC15 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 November 2025 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

BRC16 Polling Districts, Places and Stations Review 2026

The Director: Policy & Governance presented a series of slides to the Committee to seek agreement on progressing the Polling Districts, Places and Stations Review. To support Members' understanding, the Director provided an overview of what a polling district review involved and outlined why it was an important part of ensuring effective electoral arrangements.

The Committee heard that the purpose of the review was to maintain accessible democratic participation across the Borough. This included ensuring that voters knew where they should vote, that polling stations were safe, suitable and accessible, that electoral arrangements reflected local community structures and population size, and that the Council met its legal duties under electoral law. Members were reminded that a full review must be carried out every five years, with the last one having been completed in November 2023. Although smaller interim reviews could be undertaken more frequently, a full statutory review must still be completed within the five-year cycle.

An overview of the current polling arrangements was provided, noting that the Borough contained 102 polling districts—56 in Telford and 46 in The Wrekin—with one polling station operating within each district. As part of the review process, officers would visit every polling station to assess each venue

