

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the ELECTIONS PANEL held at Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon on Monday, 31 October 2005.

PRESENT: Councillor D Harty – Chairman.
Councillors I C Bates, P J Downes,
K Reynolds and J Taylor.

APOLOGY: An Apology for absence from the meeting was submitted on behalf of Councillor M F Newman.

5. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 18th May 2005 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

6. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

No declarations were received.

7. PERIODIC ELECTORAL REVIEWS - CONSULTATION PAPER

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Central Services (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) together with a copy of a consultation paper produced by the Electoral Commission on their evaluation of how periodic electoral reviews are undertaken.

Members were acquainted with the background to the review which sought views on how the statutory criteria for electoral reviews – community identity, electoral equality and effective and convenient local government – had been applied and identified areas for improvements.

Having addressed the questions outlined in the consultation paper, the Panel

RESOLVED

that the conclusions of the Panel be conveyed to the Electoral Commission in response to the consultation paper on periodic electoral reviews.

Chairman