A meeting of the ELECTIONS PANEL will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON, PE29 3TN on WEDNESDAY, 16 MAY 2007 at the conclusion of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Service Support) and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

APOLOGIES

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

To elect a Chairman of the Panel.

2. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 2)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 19th February 2007.

3. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

To receive from Members declarations as to personal and/or prejudicial interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any Agenda Item. Please see Notes 1 and 2 below.

4. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

To appoint a Vice-Chairman of the Panel.

Dated this 8th day of May 2007

Chief Executive

Notes

- 1. A personal interest exists where a decision on a matter would affect to a greater extent than other people in the District
 - (a) the well-being, financial position, employment or business of the Councillor, a partner, relatives or close friends;
 - (b) a body employing those persons, any firm in which they are a partner and any company of which they are directors;
 - (c) any corporate body in which those persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £5,000; or
 - (d) the Councillor's registerable financial and other interests.
- A personal interest becomes a prejudicial interest where a member of the public (who has knowledge of the circumstances) would reasonably regard the Member's personal interest as being so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Councillor's judgement of the public interest.

Please contact Ms C Deller, Democratic Services Manager, Tel No 01480 388007/email: Christine.Deller@huntsdc.gov.uk if you have a general query on any Agenda Item, wish to tender your apologies for absence from the meeting, or would like information on any decision taken by the Panel.

Specific enquiries with regard to items on the Agenda should be directed towards the Contact Officer.

Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting as observers except during consideration of confidential or exempt items of business.

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If you would like a translation of Agenda/Minutes/Reports or would like a large text version or an audio version please contact the Democratic Services Manager and we will try to accommodate your needs.

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Agenda Item 2

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the ELECTIONS PANEL held in Meeting Room 1, Pathfinder House, St. Mary's Street, Huntingdon on Monday, 19 February 2007.

PRESENT:	Councillor D Harty – Chairman.
	Councillors J E Garner, M F Newman, K Reynolds and T D Sanderson.
APOLOGY:	An apology for absence from the meeting was submitted on behalf of Councillor A N Gilbert.
IN ATTENDANCE:	Councillors J T Bell, P L E Bucknell and P J Downes.

16. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 15th December 2006 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

17. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

No declarations were received.

18. PARISH ELECTORAL REVIEW - UPDATE

Further to Minute No. 14, the Panel considered a report by the Head of Administration (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) advising Members of the current position in relation to the parish electoral review of the District. Following the publication of draft proposals for changes to parish boundaries and electoral arrangements attention was drawn to representations received in respect of the proposals for the Ramsey and Bury parish boundaries and Councillor P L E Bucknell acquainted the Panel with concerns raised by the residents living in the affected areas. The Panel concluded that alternative proposals should be drafted and formulated two proposals for further consultation to reflect the views of the representations received thus far.

Having been acquainted with details of a summary of representations received to date affecting other parishes in response to the draft proposals, the Panel concluded that the issues raised did not require further investigation at this stage. Whereupon, it was

RESOLVED

that the two alternative proposals affecting the Ramsey and Bury parishes be circulated to the Parish Clerks and Ward Councillors for further comment.

Chairman

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