

## HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL – POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES REVIEW 2023/24

## CONSULTATION RESPONSES SCHEDULE

CONSULTEE	WARD/PARISH	COMMENTS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION	ACTION/PROPOSAL
Bluntisham Parish Council	Bluntisham	No concerns with existing arrangements	No action required
Farcet Parish Council	Farcet	Farcet Village Hall is still the appropriate location – disabled parking and ramp not available	Site visit of polling station required to assess requirements for ramp and disabled parking
Councillor Sarah Conboy – Executive Leader	Godmanchester, Hemingford Abbots and The Offords	No concerns with existing polling stations for Godmanchester, Hemingford Abbots and The Offords.  Worked hard to include Romans Edge, Godmanchester into the Town and Judith’s Field polling station works well as it sits just on the edge of the development, easily accessible and has parking	No action required
Karen Pauley	Godmanchester	No concerns with existing polling districts and existing polling stations in Godmanchester are perfectly suitable and accessible	No action required

<p>Acting Returning Officer – St Neots &amp; Mid Cambridgeshire Constituency</p>	<p>St Neots &amp; Mid Cambridgeshire Constituency</p>	<p>Support the creation of a new polling district for Wintringham, formed within the current St Neots East polling district. Further support the establishment of a new polling station for this district.</p> <p>In general support the principle that each polling district should have it's own polling station, and that ideally that station would be within the polling district. Accept that the establishment of new or better polling stations is somewhat dependent on the availability and suitability of venues</p> <p>Support measures that will help disabled voters in the constituency to cast their vote as easily as possible. This includes a strong preference for using the most accessible buildings available and the provision of appropriate equipment as needed</p>	<p>Creation of new polling district for development in Wintringham and identification of polling station if available</p>
<p>Abbotsley Parish Council</p>	<p>Abbotsley</p>	<p>No concerns with existing arrangements</p>	<p>No action required</p>

St Neots Town Council	St Neots	<p>Agreed to the proposed creation of a new polling district for Wintringham Park, St Neots</p> <p>Identified anomalies in current arrangement –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The town wards are currently unbalanced for councillors versus electors represented and some form of rebalancing should be carried out in the future</li> <li>• The town wards are also currently unbalanced in size with the largest ward having 5 councillors and the smallest 1.</li> <li>• The district wards / county divisions do not match up in places (leading to the 3 small 1 Councillor wards)</li> </ul>	<p>Creation of new polling district for development in Wintringham and identification of polling station if available</p> <p>Out of scope of the review and further discussion on electoral arrangements to be facilitated</p>
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