

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Title/Subject Matter: Community Governance Review – Great and Little Gidding Parish Council

Meeting/Date: 17th January 2018

Executive Portfolio: Councillor G J Bull, Executive Leader

Report by: Elections and Democratic Services Manager

Ward(s) affected: Sawtry

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report is to update Members on the Community Governance Review of Great and Little Gidding following the request from the Parish Council to increase the size from 7 to 8 parish councillors.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Committee note the request to cancel the Community Governance Review for Great and Little Gidding Parish Council following a number of recent changes at the Parish Council.

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 Following a request received from Great and Little Gidding Parish Council to increase the council size from 7 to 8 parish councillors and the Committee agreeing the terms of reference of the Community Governance Review at their last meeting on 29th November 2017, correspondence has been received from the Parish Council.
- 1.2 The current Chairman reported that there has been a number of changes at the Parish Council recently, including the resignation of the previous Chairman and Clerk without notice. The Parish Council have therefore requested that the Community Governance Review now not proceed as they are concerned that following the recent resignations there would be an increased difficulty now in filling the seats on the Parish Council.

2. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDED DECISIONS

- 2.1 As Great and Little Gidding Parish Council has requested that the Community Governance Review no longer proceed, the necessary work to undertake the consultation and preparation of final order is now deemed not necessary.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007
Communities and Local Government Guidance on Community Governance Reviews
March 2010
Request from Great and Little Gidding Parish Council dated 21st September 2017 &
20th December 2017

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