

## Electoral Administration Act 2006

## Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places/Polling Stations 2011

## Representations made in response to initial consultation exercise

No.	From	Date Received	Comments submitted/Recommendations of Returning Officer
1	Mr P McCallister	5 <sup>th</sup> May 2011	<p>The Cardboard Building, within the grounds of Westborough School, was quite inaccessible at the recent election.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the polling station and the Cardboard Building, Gainsborough Drive be relocated to the Hall at Westborough School, MacDonald Avenue.</p>
2	Mr P Ballard	10 <sup>th</sup> June 2011	<p>Opposed the siting of two polling stations in Marine Parade opposite Herschell Road.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the polling stations be relocated back to original sites opposite Theobalds Road and Canvey Road.</p>
3	Councillor Assenheim	12 <sup>th</sup> August 2011	<p>Relocate polling station from Hall at rear of Salvation Army Church Hall, Frobisher Way to a portable polling station located on greensward at the junction of Mountbatten Drive and Ravendale Way.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the existing polling station be retained (one of the main aims of the review is to reduce the number of mobile polling units which are expensive to hire – the units are only used in circumstances where there is no other suitable alternative in the vicinity. The existing arrangements are more convenient to electors).</p>

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4	David Amess MP	23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2011	<p>The relocation of the mobile units on Marine Parade to a position opposite Herschell Road did not work well.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the polling stations be relocated back to original sites opposite Theobalds Road and Canvey Road.</p>
5	Councillor Wexham	31 <sup>st</sup> August 2011	<p>Relocate polling station from Union Congregational Church, Pall Mall to Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall, Marguerite Drive or Leigh Road Baptist Church.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the polling station at the Union Congregational Church Hall be relocated to the Leigh Road Baptist Church Hall, Pall Mall/Marguerite Drive.</p>
6	Councillor Day/Councillor Cox	20 <sup>th</sup> /21 <sup>st</sup> September 2011	<p>The Bishopsteignton polling station should remain sited on the corner of Maplin Way.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the polling station on the corner of Maplin Way, Bishopsteignton be retained.</p>
7	Councillor Day, Jarvis and Cox	20 <sup>th</sup> /21 <sup>st</sup> September 2011	<p>Relocate polling station from Children's Centre to nearest polling station within the ward south of the railway line.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the polling station at the Children's Centre be retained (the nearest polling station south of the railway line within the ward is the Youth Hall, St Andrews Road. This station is already a double station and is some distance for electors from the polling district to travel).</p>
8	Councillor Jarvis	20 <sup>th</sup> September	Relocate polling station from Scout Hut, Kensington Road to HORSA

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		2011	<p>building, Thorpe Greenways Junior School.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the polling station at the Scout Hut, Kensington Road be retained (the Scout Hut has been used for many years without any concerns expressed by voters. Relocating the polling station to a double station at the Thorpe Greenways School outside of the polling district would result in electors having to travel significantly further to vote.</p>
9	Councillor Jarvis	20 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	<p>Relocate polling station from Johnstone Road to St Augustine's.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> Relocate existing polling stations in Johnstone Road to Thorpe Bay Methodist Church (this is a large modern premises which can accommodate a double station).</p>
10	Councillor Jarvis	20 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	<p>Relocate polling station from St Georges School to Hall at rear of Salvation Army Church Hall, Frobisher Way.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the polling station at the Salvation Army Church Hall, Frobisher Way be retained (the relocation of the polling station, as requested, would result in a total of 3,893 electors (net of absent voters) being allocated to the one location. The existing arrangements are more convenient to electors).</p>
11	Mr B Howes	20 <sup>th</sup> September	<p>General comments about the suitability of polling stations in Westborough.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That it be noted that it is not proposed to use the Cardboard building (Westborough School) and that improvements will be made to improve the access arrangements to polling stations in the area where necessary (e.g. St Andrews Parochial Church Hall, Electric</p>

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			Avenue).
12	Mrs A Waite	28 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	<p>Suggested that polling district (Kursaal Ward) EMZ be amalgamated with district EQ.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That polling district EMZ be amalgamated with district EQ. EMZ (Kursaal Ward) is a very small polling district with 302 electors (284 net of absent voters). The amalgamation of the polling districts would create a single district of comparable size to the others in the ward. This proposal would mean that the polling station at Norman Harris House, Queensway would no longer be needed and the voters in EMZ would vote at Porters Grange School.</p>
13	Mrs A Waite	28 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	<p>Relocate polling station at Central Library to Tickfield Centre</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the Central Library be retained for use as a polling station (The Tickfield Centre would not be very accessible for some voters in the polling district. The vehicular access is narrow, could be congested at peak times and hazardous for pedestrians).</p>
14	Mrs A Waite	28 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	<p>Relocate polling station from double station at Ferndale Road Baptist Church to former Tabernacle Church building in Stornaway Road.</p> <p><b>Recommendation of Returning Officer</b> That the polling station at Ferndale Road Baptist Church be retained for use as a polling station (the former Tabernacle church building is not available for use as a polling station).</p>