

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting27th September 2007

1. Title of Item/Report

Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations

2. Record of the Decision

Cabinet was informed that it was a requirement of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 for the Council to undertake and complete a review of all polling districts, polling places and polling stations in the Borough by 31 December 2007.

Stockton had recently undertaken this review and this report presented Cabinet with proposed changes coming from it.

Members noted details of the review process and consultation. Consultees included all Members, Parish Clerks, Disability access groups, Viewpoint Focus groups and BME representatives. Advice was also sought from In addition a compulsory submission was received from the Returning Officer which was required to focus on

- Access for all electors
- Facilities for the required staff, tables booths and notices

Cabinet was provided with a copy of the Returning Officer's Submission as well as details of all the responses received from the consultees.

It was explained that all of the detailed representations had been taken into account and had informed the proposals contained within the report at Appendix 4.

RECOMMENDED to Council that the report be noted and the changes proposed in the Appendix 4 of the report be approved

3. Reasons for the Decision

To ensure that all electors have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances and to ensure that so far as is

reasonable and practicable, the polling places in the Borough are accessible to all electors.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None

6. Details of any Dispensations

None

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Not applicable

Proper Officer
01 February 2007