# AGENDA ITEM 4

**REPORT TO COUNCIL** 

**15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021** 

## REPORT OF CORPORATE MANAGEMENT TEAM

# STOCKTON-ON-TEES ELECTORAL REVIEW 2020 - WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW - FURTHER CONSULTATION - WARDING PATTERNS

## SUMMARY

To note the response to the Local Government Boundary Commission consultation on further draft recommendations on Warding Patterns which ends on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Council note the comments received as part of the consultation on the Local Government Boundary Commission further draft recommendations and they be submitted to the LGBC by the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

# DETAIL

- 1. The Commission have now responded to all comments received during their initial consultation on warding patterns and are now undertaking further limited consultation on proposal in central and southern Stockton. This includes the wards of Bishopsgarth and Elmtree, Fairfield, Grangefield, Newtown, Ingleby, Southern Parishes and Yarm.
- 2. Should these revised proposal be adopted it will result in a council size of 57.
- 3. The Commission have confirmed that they are satisfied with the evidence received for the rest of the Borough and do not require any further evidence or comments.
- 4. This further phase of limited consultation will end on the 10<sup>th</sup> January and final recommendations will be received by the 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022.
- 5. The results from this consultation are summarised at **Appendix 1.**
- 6. The deadline for submission of comments as part of this consultation ends on10th January 2022 and comments can be submitted direct to LGBC via their website. Local Government Boundary Commission for England Consultation Portal (lgbce.org.uk)
- 7. The Commission's Final Recommendations will be agreed and published on the 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

8. The Final Recommendations will describe the complete set of electoral arrangements, including ward names and locations as well as the number of elected members, alongside parish warding arrangements. These recommendations will be implemented at the next election by means of an Order laid before Parliament.

# **COMMUNITY IMPACT IMPLICATIONS**

9. Not applicable

# **CORPORATE PARENTING IMPLICATIONS**

10. Not applicable

# FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

11. Not applicable

# LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

12. Not applicable

# **RISK ASSESSMENT**

13. Not applicable

## WARDS AFFECTED AND CONSULTATION WITH WARD/COUNCILLORS

14. All wards and Councillors have been consulted.

# **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Not applicable

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