

Cheshire West & Chester Council

PUBLICATION OF FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW OF LITTLE BUDWORTH PARISH

Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007

As part of the current Community Governance Review of Little Budworth parish, under the terms of reference published on 20 December 2013, the Community Governance Review Committee of Cheshire West and Chester Council has made the following final recommendations to be subject to a further final period of consultation prior to being agreed by Council:

That:

- 1) the boundary of the existing parish of Little Budworth be redrawn to the west at the A49 to transfer the properties of the Fox and Barrel Pub, Sicuani – Fox Bank, Fox Bank Cottage and 2 Fox Bank from Little Budworth parish to Utkinton parish;
- 2) the parish of Little Budworth should not be abolished;
- 3) the name of the parish of Little Budworth should not be altered;
- 4) the parish should continue to have a parish council;
- 5) no changes be made to the electoral arrangements that apply to the parish council; and
- 6) a Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council (Reorganisation of Community Governance) Order be prepared in accordance with the above recommendations and that the Order be effective from 1 April 2015.

Reasons for the recommendation

To enable completion of the community governance review of Little Budworth parish in accordance with the timescales set within statutory guidance and in line with local preference; to determine more appropriate parish boundaries which reflect the identities and interests of local residents; and to endorse that the current community governance arrangements are effective.

The current total electorate for the area is 534 based on the Register of Electors in force from 7 May 2014. This is forecast to increase slightly to 550 over the next five years though the proposed boundary change detailed in recommendation (1) will reduce this forecast to 542. Taking this into account, the current size of Little Budworth Parish Council is comparable with other Councils representing a similar electorate.

Next steps

All residents and any other persons or organisations wishing to make representations on the draft recommendations may do so in writing to the Partnerships Team, Cheshire West and Chester Council, Goldsmith House, Hamilton Place, Chester, CH1 1SE. Alternatively,



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representations may be submitted by email to partnershipsandareaworking@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk quoting 'Community Governance Review – Little Budworth' in the Subject field.

The deadline for receipt of comments is midnight on 21 September 2014.

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