

# Cheshire West & Chester Council

## **PUBLICATION OF FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEWS OF POULTON AND PULFORD PARISHES**

### **Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007**

As part of the current Community Governance Reviews of Poulton and Pulford parishes, under the terms of reference published on 25 October 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 Pulford be redrawn to the north-east along the Straight Mile to transfer the Business Park from Eaton parish to Pulford parish;
- 2) the grouping of the existing parishes of Poulton and Pulford under the single common council of Poulton and Pulford be dissolved;
- 3) the parishes of Poulton and Pulford be amalgamated to constitute a new single parish comprising the area of those parishes;
- 4) the new parish shall be known as Poulton and Pulford;
- 5) in consequence of paragraph (3) above, the existing parishes of Poulton and Pulford shall cease to exist;
- 6) a new local council for the area be created;
- 7) the local council for the area adopt the style of "parish";
- 8) the new parish shall not be warded
- 9) the parish council for the parish of Poulton and Pulford consist of nine members; and
- 10) 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 save for those recommendations relating to parish electoral arrangements which shall come into force on the ordinary day of election of councillors in May 2015.

### **Reasons for the recommendation**

To enable completion of the community governance reviews of Poulton and Pulford parishes in accordance with the timescales set within statutory guidance; and to enable more effective and appropriate community governance arrangements which are proportionate to the size of the local electorate.

The current total electorate for the area is 443 based on the Register of Electors in force from 17 February 2014. This figure is expected to increase to 469 within the next five years. Similar sized ungrouped parishes have Parish Councils of between seven and ten seats.



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## 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, representations may be submitted by email to [partnershipsandareaworking@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](mailto:partnershipsandareaworking@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk) quoting 'Community Governance Review – Poulton and Pulford' in the Subject field.

The deadline for receipt of comments is midnight on 31 August 2014.

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