

# Cheshire West & Chester Council

## **Publication of final recommendations for the Community Governance Review of Lach Dennis parish**

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

As part of the current Community Governance Review of Lach Dennis parish, under the terms of reference published on 31 January 2014, 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 Lach Dennis be redrawn to the north along the Railway Line (to its junction with the A556) and the A556 (to the border with Cheshire East borough) to transfer the properties south of the Railway Line and A556 from Lach Dennis parish to Lach Dennis parish;
- 2) the parish of Lach Dennis should not be abolished;
- 3) the name of the parish of Lach Dennis 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 Lach Dennis parish in accordance with the timescales set within statutory guidance and in line with local preference; and to determine more appropriate parish boundaries and local governance arrangements which better reflect the identities and interests of local residents and enhance local capacity.

The current total electorate for the area is 216 based on the Register of Electors in force from 7 May 2014. This figure is not expected to increase over the next five years as a result of planned development. However, the proposed boundary change detailed in recommendation (1) would significantly increase the size of the current electorate to 525. Similar sized ungrouped parishes have Parish Councils of between seven and nine seats.

### **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](mailto:partnershipsandareaworking@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk) quoting 'Community Governance Review – Lach Dennis' in the subject field.

The deadline for receipt of comments is midnight on 28 September 2014.

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