

NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Your attendance is requested at a meeting to be held at

The Jeffrey Room, The Guildhall, St. Giles Square, Northampton, NN1
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on Tuesday, 17 September 2019

at 6:00 pm.

George Candler
Chief Executive

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Minutes**
- 3. Declarations of Interest**
- 4. Deputations / Public Addresses**
- 5. Matters of Urgency which by reason of special circumstances the chair is of the opinion should be considered**
- 6. Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places**
(Copy herewith)
- 7. Exclusion of Public and Press**

THE CHAIR TO MOVE:

“THAT THE PUBLIC BE EXCLUDED FROM THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING ON THE GROUNDS THAT THERE IS LIKELY TO BE DISCLOSURE TO THEM OF SUCH CATEGORIES OF EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED BY SECTION 100(1) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS LISTED AGAINST SUCH ITEMS OF BUSINESS BY REFERENCE TO THE APPROPRIATE PARAGRAPH OF SCHEDULE 12A TO SUCH ACT.”

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NORTHAMPTON
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GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE REPORT

Report Title

Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

AGENDA STATUS:

PUBLIC

Committee Meeting Date:

17th September 2019

Policy Document:

No

Directorate:

Borough Secretary

1. Purpose

1.1 To present to the Committee recommendations from the Local Returning Officer relating to the Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places under The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 and seek the Committee's comments before the commencement of formal consultation.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the Committee notes the representations of the Local and Acting Returning Officer and the public consultation that will now take place (appendix 1).

2.2 That the Committee makes any comments on the Local and Acting Returning Officer's proposals that it would wish to inform the consultation.

2.3 That the Committee notes that final recommendations will be brought to a meeting of the Committee on the 5th November 2019.

3. Issues and Choices

3.1 Report Background

3.1.1 The introduction of The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 requires each local authority to carry out a review of UK Parliamentary Polling Districts and Polling Places every fifth year after 1st October 2013. The next compulsory review needs to be completed between 1st October 2018 and 31st January 2020 inclusive and will be in compliance with the Electoral

Commissions guidance on reviews of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations.

- 3.1.2 The scope and methodology of the review and consultation was agreed by General Purposes committee on 18th March 2019
- 3.1.3 The proposals attached at appendix 1 have also been informed and shaped by reports and Lessons Learnt from Polling Staff and Inspectors at the May 2019, European Elections, information preparatory consultations and inspections of existing and potential polling places. The process of consultations and inspections will continue during the rest of the review period.

4. Implications (including financial implications)

4.1 Resources and Risk

- 4.1.1 Additional resources will be required to manage and run any additional Polling Stations. European, National, Police, County and Parish elections, ballots and referendums are not funded by the Borough Council but costs are reclaimed from the responsible body. The Borough Council is responsible for its own elections and for specified local ballots such as Community Planning Referendums or any Mayoral Referendum.
- 4.1.2 The number of Polling Stations within each Polling Place is a matter for the discretion of the Returning Officer at each election. In the attached recommendations a number of Polling Districts are identified as potentially having two Polling Stations.
- 4.1.3 The costs of establishing a larger number of Polling Places, with attendant increase in Polling Stations, will depend on the nature and costs of the Polling Places used and the size of the Polling Stations. Under Electoral Commission guidance there are minimum staffing levels depending on the number of voters in person at each Polling Station. It does not therefore follow that one Polling Station becoming two is double the cost, it is usually less than double.
- 4.1.4 The arrangements proposed in this paper will be reviewed again in 2023, or when the new Parliamentary Boundaries or Unitary Wards come into effect.

4.2 Legal

- 4.2.1 The Election area is highly regulated by legislation. Formal guidance from the Electoral Commission is being followed for the review which ensures that all parts of the legislation are adhered to.

4.1 Equality

- 4.1.1 Advice has been sought from specialist groups and agencies relating to access needs of protected groups, specifically those with a disability.

4.1.2 Full inspections of Polling Places have taken place which included accessibility and incorporated any initial advice given by the groups above.

4.2 Consultees (Internal and External)

4.2.1 Consultation has been carried out informally and will now be carried out formally in relation to these proposals.

4.2.2 Compulsory consultees are stated in the guidance issued by the Electoral Commission and include the following:

- Candidates and agents for the Parliamentary, Local and Parish elections
- Elected representatives (County Councillors, MEP's etc)
- (Acting) Returning Officers from neighbouring authorities (e.g. South Northamptonshire)
- Electors
- Council officers with relevant experience

4.3 Other Implications

4.3.1 None

5. Background Papers

5.1 Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places files and records, held by the Borough Secretary's department.

Francis Fernandes
Borough Secretary and Local and Acting Returning Officer

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Proposals are presented, for ease of reference, Borough Council Ward by Borough Council Ward. Details of Polling District boundaries and projected numbers of voters in person are contained within the Appendices.

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The current designated Polling Places are: Abington Avenue Reformed Church, Stimpson Avenue Academy (for 2 Polling Districts), Old Northamptonians, Barry Road School and Vernon Terrace Community Centre.

We received representations regarding Barry Road School. Following inspection it is proposed to use a Mobile polling station in the Co-op Car Park on Barry Road for polling district NNAB5. At present NNAB2 and NNAB3 vote at Stimpson Avenue Academy. We looked at including them in the mobile at Barry Road, however, the electorate would be too large to accommodate a triple station in the mobile. While Stimpson Avenue remains the designated polling station we will continue to seek an alternative venue if possible.

The proposed arrangements are considered to be the best possible in Abington Ward and are recommended on that basis.

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It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

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The area to the south of the ward has Polling Places of Gloucester Avenue Nursery School and a Polling District with a Polling Place at The Abbey Primary School

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It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

East Hunsbury Ward

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The current Polling Places are Collingtree Golf Club, Blackymore Community Centre (2), East Hunsbury Primary School and Abbey Centre Baptist Church(2)

In relation to the Polling Station at Collingtree Golf Club, we have identified Greens Restaurant as a suitable venue. The Polling Place will remain as Collingtree Golf Club to give flexibility in the event the restaurant is not available.

The polling district currently at East Hunsbury Primary School will be allocated to Blackymore Community Centre.

The proposed arrangements are considered to be the best possible in East Hunsbury Ward and recommended on that basis.

Eastfield Ward

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Two Polling Districts are served by St Albans Jubilee Hall which sits on the boundary between the two Districts, as the Polling Place.

The other Polling District is served by Eden Close Community Room as the Polling Place.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Headlands Ward

Headlands Ward has two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places.

The current arrangements in this ward are Headlands United Reformed Church and Abington Community Centre.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Kings Heath Ward

King's Heath Ward has two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places.

One Polling District covers the King's Heath Estate and Dallington Heath. The other covers the Ryehill area. These arrangements match the topography of the area and the location of the Polling Place on the Estate is a good central location for that District.

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The two Polling Places are Montague Crescent Community Room and King's Heath Community Centre, both of which are currently used. The Polling Station at Kings Heath can be split into two Polling Stations if this becomes necessary.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Kingsley Ward

Kingsley Ward currently has three Polling Districts operating from three Polling Places.

This Ward contains an area that falls in a different County Division. The land involved is currently undeveloped and expected to remain so. This Polling District will therefore have no voters in person and for technical purposes only will be allocated to the Polling Place at the Pioneer Public House.

The three Polling Places are: The Pioneer Public House, Kingsley Primary School and Kingsley Park Methodist Church.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Kingsthorpe Ward

Kingsthorpe Ward currently consists of two Polling Districts at two Polling Places. The boundary between these Polling Places is determined by a County Council Division boundary.

It is proposed to retain the current arrangements until a further review is done for the Unitary Authority with the facility to have two Polling Stations at Kingsthorpe Community Centre if necessary at any election. The other Polling Place is The Pastures Community Centre.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Nene Valley Ward

This ward is geographically widely spread. It currently contains six Polling Districts with three Polling Places and five Polling Stations.

For Parish election reasons, and for accessibility, there are Polling Districts at Hardingstone and at Collingtree which will need to remain in place.

The Polling Place at Hardingstone is the Village Hall, and at Collingtree the Village Room. Both are currently used.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

New Duston Ward

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New Duston Ward currently has seven Polling Districts, the boundaries of which are largely determined by Parish and County Council boundaries, served by five Polling Places.

It is proposed to retain the Polling Districts in their current configuration. This reflects the different boundary requirements and also the geography of the ward.

The Polling Places are: Mobile Unit on Errington Park (2 Districts), Mobile Unit at Bordeaux Close, Mobile Unit at Park Lane Island, Duston Community Centre, and Duston Eldean Primary School (2 Districts).

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Obelisk Ward

Obelisk Ward contains two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places. One District, is determined by County Council Division boundaries.

The current polling places are Reynard Way Evangelical Church and Sunley Conference Centre.

Reynard Way Evangelical Church is a very well located and accessible central point in the Polling District that includes it. The Polling Place can take two Polling Stations and this may be necessary at some elections.

The other Polling Place was the Sunley Management and Conference Centre at the University which has been demolished. It is proposed to use All Saints CEVA Primary School for this polling district, they are able to provide a room that doesn't involve the closure of the school.

The proposed arrangements are considered to be the best possible in Obelisk Ward and recommended on that basis.

Old Duston

Old Duston Ward currently has five Polling Districts, the boundaries of which are largely determined by Parish and County Council boundaries, served by three Polling Places.

The current polling stations are Duston Community Centre, Chiltern Primary School, Duston United Reformed Church and Lyncrest Primary School.

The Polling District NSOD5 served by Lyncrest Primray School is defined by County Council Division and Parish boundaries, and is bounded by major roads. The only premises identified in this District are those at the Primary School.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Park Ward

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Spring Park Ward currently has two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places.

The current Polling Places St Peter's Church Hall, and Bridgewater Primary School.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements

Parklands Ward

Parklands Ward currently has three Polling Districts served by three Polling Places.

One Polling Place is Boothville Community Centre as there are no suitable alternatives within the District.

The two other Polling Places are Parklands Community Centre and Parklands Nursery School and Childrens Centre. It is proposed to use Parklands Learning and Care Centre instead of the Nursery School which will mean the school are able to stay open. The groups normally in the Care Centre on polling day will be covered by the school.

The proposed arrangements, which involve minimal change, are considered to be the best possible in Parklands Ward and recommended on that basis.

Phippsville Ward

Phippsville Ward is divided into two Polling Districts with the boundary between them determined by a County Council Division. These are served by two Polling Places.

The Polling Places are: St Matthew's Parish Centre, and Cedar Road Primary School. There was representation that the school should not be used due to disruption to its operation but no suitable alternatives have been identified.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Rectory Farm Ward

Rectory Farm Ward is currently made up of three Polling Districts. One is determined by Parliamentary Constituency boundaries. These are served by two Polling Places.

Two Polling Districts are served by Rectory Farm Community Centre as their Polling Place.

The other Polling Place is Growing Together Blackthorn Good Neighbours.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Riverside Ward

Riverside Ward currently consists of three Polling Districts served from a single Polling Place, Standens Barn Community Centre.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Rushmills Ward

Rushmills Ward is currently divided into four Polling Districts. One District is determined by the Parish of Great Houghton and a Parliamentary Constituency boundary. These are served by four Polling Places. The ward is geographically widespread.

The current polling places are Bridgewater Primary School, Mobile Unit Old Scouts and Vernon Terrace Community Centre.

The Polling Place at Great Houghton is Parsons Memorial Hall.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Semilong Ward

Semilong Ward currently contains four Polling Districts, significantly affected by Parliamentary Constituency and County Council Division boundaries. These are served by three Polling Places.

The Polling Places for Semilong Ward are Holy Trinity Church Hall (2 Districts), Semilong Community Centre and Alliston Gardens Youth and Community Centre.

We had a suggestion of a mobile unit in either ASDA or ALDI Car Park, however, ASDA was not suitable due to the incline and ALDI have refused to accommodate. Northgate School, as a special needs school are unable to close and are unable to accommodate us with the school open

It is therefore proposed to retain the existing arrangements.

Spencer Ward

Spencer Ward currently contains three Polling Districts, two using Spencer Dallington Community Centre as the Polling Place and mobile polling station at Dallington Park Road

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Spring Park

Spring Park Ward currently contains two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places.

This Polling District is served by The Pastures Community Centre and if necessary at elections in the future will have two Polling Stations. No changes to boundaries or Polling Places are proposed. The other Polling District is served by St Mark's Church Hall.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

St David's Ward

St David's Ward currently contains three Polling Districts each based at one Polling Place.

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The current polling places are Kingsthorpe Grove Primary School, St David's Church Room and The Liburd Rooms

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

St James Ward

St James Ward currently consists of two Polling Districts at two Polling Places.

The current polling places are Heroes Room, Franklin Gardens and the Doddridge Center

It is proposed to retain these arrangements

Sunnyside Ward

Sunnyside Ward currently consists of three Polling Districts served by two Polling Places. One Polling District is determined by the County Council Division boundary.

Representations were made that the Polling Place at Hinton Road Community Rooms was too small and inaccessible at the time of the elections. The Sunley Centre at the University has now been demolished.

The proposal is that Polling District NNSU1 and NSSU2 would vote at Hinton Road Community Centre and NNSU3 at Green Oaks School. NNSU1 previously voted in Obelisk Ward, the new arrangements will keep them voting within the correct ward.

The proposed arrangements are intended to provide more accessible voting arrangements for electors in Sunnyside Ward and are recommended on that basis.

Talavera Ward

Talavera Ward currently consists of six Polling Districts served by six Polling Places. One Polling District is required to meet Parliamentary Constituency boundaries and the Ward is also affected by County Council Divisions.

The current polling stations are Thorplands Primary School, Southfields Primary School, Lodge Farm Community Centre, Mobile Unit Goldings Shopping Centre, Growing Together Blackthorn Community Centre and a Mobile at Rectory Farm.

Lodge Farm Community Centre there are concerns with the recent anti-social behavior including boarded up windows and overgrown surroundings. We have contacted Community Spaces to see if this can be addressed. We also visited Woodvale Primary Academy however due to safeguarding issues they would need to close the school and this would impact on their statutory timetable. We will continue to investigate a possible alternative to Lodge Farm in the next consultation period and will report this back in the final report in November.

The only change proposed at this time in this ward is that NSTV6 will vote in Rectory Farm Community Centre not the mobile outside.

The proposed arrangements are intended to provide more accessible voting arrangements for electors in Talavera Ward and are recommended on that basis.

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Trinity Ward

Trinity Ward currently consists of two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places.

The current Polling Places are: The Newton Building at the University Avenue Campus, and Holy Trinity Church Hall

The Newton Building have already told us that it will not be available in May 2020 and we have had issues with availability at previous elections.

It is proposed that Bethany Homestead be used instead of the Newton Building.

The proposed arrangements, are considered to be the best possible in Trinity Ward and recommended on that basis.

Upton Ward

Upton Ward currently consists of five Polling Districts served by four Polling Places. The boundary of one Polling District was affected by a Parish boundary. The polling Districts of SNUP1 and SNUP2 are now both in Hunsbury Meadows Parish

The existing polling places are Mobile Unit, Banbury Lane, The Elgar Centre, St Crispin Retirement Village and St Crispin Social Club.

It is proposed to use Pineham Barns Primary School at Hunsbury Meadows for polling district SNUP2 instead of the mobile unit at Banbury Lane.

The proposed arrangements are intended to provide more accessible voting arrangements for electors in Upton Ward and are recommended on that basis

West Hunsbury Ward

West Hunsbury Ward consists of two Polling Districts served by Parsons Mead Community Room and a mobile unit at Ladybridge Park.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Westone Ward

Westone Ward currently consists of three Polling Districts served by three Polling Places.

To improve accessibility it is proposed to assign James Lewis Court, Community Hub instead of Headlands United Reformed Church as the polling station for NNWT2, thus all the polling stations are within in the Westone Ward.

The other Polling Places are: Weston Favell Parish Hall, and a Mobile Unit at Northampton College.

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One Polling District covers the King's Heath Estate and Dallington Heath. The other covers the Ryehill area. These arrangements match the topography of the area and the location of the Polling Place on the Estate is a good central location for that District.

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The two Polling Places are Montague Crescent Community Room and King's Heath Community Centre, both of which are currently used. The Polling Station at Kings Heath can be split into two Polling Stations if this becomes necessary.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Kingsley Ward

Kingsley Ward currently has three Polling Districts operating from three Polling Places.

This Ward contains an area that falls in a different County Division. The land involved is currently undeveloped and expected to remain so. This Polling District will therefore have no voters in person and for technical purposes only will be allocated to the Polling Place at the Pioneer Public House.

The three Polling Places are: The Pioneer Public House, Kingsley Primary School and Kingsley Park Methodist Church.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Kingsthorpe Ward

Kingsthorpe Ward currently consists of two Polling Districts at two Polling Places. The boundary between these Polling Places is determined by a County Council Division boundary.

It is proposed to retain the current arrangements until a further review is done for the Unitary Authority with the facility to have two Polling Stations at Kingsthorpe Community Centre if necessary at any election. The other Polling Place is The Pastures Community Centre.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Nene Valley Ward

This ward is geographically widely spread. It currently contains six Polling Districts with three Polling Places and five Polling Stations.

For Parish election reasons, and for accessibility, there are Polling Districts at Hardingstone and at Collingtree which will need to remain in place.

The Polling Place at Hardingstone is the Village Hall, and at Collingtree the Village Room. Both are currently used.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

New Duston Ward

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New Duston Ward currently has seven Polling Districts, the boundaries of which are largely determined by Parish and County Council boundaries, served by five Polling Places.

It is proposed to retain the Polling Districts in their current configuration. This reflects the different boundary requirements and also the geography of the ward.

The Polling Places are: Mobile Unit on Errington Park (2 Districts), Mobile Unit at Bordeaux Close, Mobile Unit at Park Lane Island, Duston Community Centre, and Duston Eldean Primary School (2 Districts).

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Obelisk Ward

Obelisk Ward contains two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places. One District, is determined by County Council Division boundaries.

The current polling places are Reynard Way Evangelical Church and Sunley Conference Centre.

Reynard Way Evangelical Church is a very well located and accessible central point in the Polling District that includes it. The Polling Place can take two Polling Stations and this may be necessary at some elections.

The other Polling Place was the Sunley Management and Conference Centre at the University which has been demolished. It is proposed to use All Saints CEVA Primary School for this polling district, they are able to provide a room that doesn't involve the closure of the school.

The proposed arrangements are considered to be the best possible in Obelisk Ward and recommended on that basis.

Old Duston

Old Duston Ward currently has five Polling Districts, the boundaries of which are largely determined by Parish and County Council boundaries, served by three Polling Places.

The current polling stations are Duston Community Centre, Chiltern Primary School, Duston United Reformed Church and Lyncrest Primary School.

The Polling District NSOD5 served by Lyncrest Primray School is defined by County Council Division and Parish boundaries, and is bounded by major roads. The only premises identified in this District are those at the Primary School.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Park Ward

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Spring Park Ward currently has two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places.

The current Polling Places St Peter's Church Hall, and Bridgewater Primary School.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements

Parklands Ward

Parklands Ward currently has three Polling Districts served by three Polling Places.

One Polling Place is Boothville Community Centre as there are no suitable alternatives within the District.

The two other Polling Places are Parklands Community Centre and Parklands Nursery School and Childrens Centre. It is proposed to use Parklands Learning and Care Centre instead of the Nursery School which will mean the school are able to stay open. The groups normally in the Care Centre on polling day will be covered by the school.

The proposed arrangements, which involve minimal change, are considered to be the best possible in Parklands Ward and recommended on that basis.

Phippsville Ward

Phippsville Ward is divided into two Polling Districts with the boundary between them determined by a County Council Division. These are served by two Polling Places.

The Polling Places are: St Matthew's Parish Centre, and Cedar Road Primary School. There was representation that the school should not be used due to disruption to its operation but no suitable alternatives have been identified.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Rectory Farm Ward

Rectory Farm Ward is currently made up of three Polling Districts. One is determined by Parliamentary Constituency boundaries. These are served by two Polling Places.

Two Polling Districts are served by Rectory Farm Community Centre as their Polling Place.

The other Polling Place is Growing Together Blackthorn Good Neighbours.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Riverside Ward

Riverside Ward currently consists of three Polling Districts served from a single Polling Place, Standens Barn Community Centre.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Rushmills Ward

Rushmills Ward is currently divided into four Polling Districts. One District is determined by the Parish of Great Houghton and a Parliamentary Constituency boundary. These are served by four Polling Places. The ward is geographically widespread.

The current polling places are Bridgewater Primary School, Mobile Unit Old Scouts and Vernon Terrace Community Centre.

The Polling Place at Great Houghton is Parsons Memorial Hall.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Semilong Ward

Semilong Ward currently contains four Polling Districts, significantly affected by Parliamentary Constituency and County Council Division boundaries. These are served by three Polling Places.

The Polling Places for Semilong Ward are Holy Trinity Church Hall (2 Districts), Semilong Community Centre and Alliston Gardens Youth and Community Centre.

We had a suggestion of a mobile unit in either ASDA or ALDI Car Park, however, ASDA was not suitable due to the incline and ALDI have refused to accommodate. Northgate School, as a special needs school are unable to close and are unable to accommodate us with the school open

It is therefore proposed to retain the existing arrangements.

Spencer Ward

Spencer Ward currently contains three Polling Districts, two using Spencer Dallington Community Centre as the Polling Place and mobile polling station at Dallington Park Road

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Spring Park

Spring Park Ward currently contains two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places.

This Polling District is served by The Pastures Community Centre and if necessary at elections in the future will have two Polling Stations. No changes to boundaries or Polling Places are proposed. The other Polling District is served by St Mark's Church Hall.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

St David's Ward

St David's Ward currently contains three Polling Districts each based at one Polling Place.

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The current polling places are Kingsthorpe Grove Primary School, St David's Church Room and The Liburd Rooms

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

St James Ward

St James Ward currently consists of two Polling Districts at two Polling Places.

The current polling places are Heroes Room, Franklin Gardens and the Doddridge Center

It is proposed to retain these arrangements

Sunnyside Ward

Sunnyside Ward currently consists of three Polling Districts served by two Polling Places. One Polling District is determined by the County Council Division boundary.

Representations were made that the Polling Place at Hinton Road Community Rooms was too small and inaccessible at the time of the elections. The Sunley Centre at the University has now been demolished.

The proposal is that Polling District NNSU1 and NSSU2 would vote at Hinton Road Community Centre and NNSU3 at Green Oaks School. NNSU1 previously voted in Obelisk Ward, the new arrangements will keep them voting within the correct ward.

The proposed arrangements are intended to provide more accessible voting arrangements for electors in Sunnyside Ward and are recommended on that basis.

Talavera Ward

Talavera Ward currently consists of six Polling Districts served by six Polling Places. One Polling District is required to meet Parliamentary Constituency boundaries and the Ward is also affected by County Council Divisions.

The current polling stations are Thorplands Primary School, Southfields Primary School, Lodge Farm Community Centre, Mobile Unit Goldings Shopping Centre, Growing Together Blackthorn Community Centre and a Mobile at Rectory Farm.

Lodge Farm Community Centre there are concerns with the recent anti-social behavior including boarded up windows and overgrown surroundings. We have contacted Community Spaces to see if this can be addressed. We also visited Woodvale Primary Academy however due to safeguarding issues they would need to close the school and this would impact on their statutory timetable. We will continue to investigate a possible alternative to Lodge Farm in the next consultation period and will report this back in the final report in November.

The only change proposed at this time in this ward is that NSTV6 will vote in Rectory Farm Community Centre not the mobile outside.

The proposed arrangements are intended to provide more accessible voting arrangements for electors in Talavera Ward and are recommended on that basis.

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Trinity Ward

Trinity Ward currently consists of two Polling Districts served by two Polling Places.

The current Polling Places are: The Newton Building at the University Avenue Campus, and Holy Trinity Church Hall

The Newton Building have already told us that it will not be available in May 2020 and we have had issues with availability at previous elections.

It is proposed that Bethany Homestead be used instead of the Newton Building.

The proposed arrangements, are considered to be the best possible in Trinity Ward and recommended on that basis.

Upton Ward

Upton Ward currently consists of five Polling Districts served by four Polling Places. The boundary of one Polling District was affected by a Parish boundary. The polling Districts of SNUP1 and SNUP2 are now both in Hunsbury Meadows Parish

The existing polling places are Mobile Unit, Banbury Lane, The Elgar Centre, St Crispin Retirement Village and St Crispin Social Club.

It is proposed to use Pineham Barns Primary School at Hunsbury Meadows for polling district SNUP2 instead of the mobile unit at Banbury Lane.

The proposed arrangements are intended to provide more accessible voting arrangements for electors in Upton Ward and are recommended on that basis

West Hunsbury Ward

West Hunsbury Ward consists of two Polling Districts served by Parsons Mead Community Room and a mobile unit at Ladybridge Park.

It is proposed to retain these arrangements.

Westone Ward

Westone Ward currently consists of three Polling Districts served by three Polling Places.

To improve accessibility it is proposed to assign James Lewis Court, Community Hub instead of Headlands United Reformed Church as the polling station for NNWT2, thus all the polling stations are within in the Westone Ward.

The other Polling Places are: Weston Favell Parish Hall, and a Mobile Unit at Northampton College.

The proposed arrangements are intended to provide more accessible voting arrangements for electors in Westone Ward and are recommended on that basis.

Survey Monkey Report

Barry Road Primary School

Polling Station Ward – Abington

Easy Access? I consider it atrocious that a whole school has to close for this purpose. While it may be argued by the election officials that they only require access to one room for use as a polling station, anyone who is familiar with modern safeguarding procedures in schools knows that to allow the public access to one classroom is to put all students at an unacceptable level of risk; the school has had the polling station forced upon them and has no choice but to close. As a parent of the school I cannot understand why the sports annexe (PDC) cannot be used for this purpose, as it was previously. Imagine the level of disruption to hundreds of working parents when the school has to close to become a polling station and imagine the frustration that, on that same day, the PDC is available for use as a polling station but instead sits empty.

Suitable? No. As above. The building should be used as a school, not a polling station.

Other Option of Polling Station. Barry Road Primary Schools Sports Annexe.

Easy Access? Yes **Suitable?** No, because the whole school has to close for the day and it is very difficult for working parents.

Other Option of Polling Station. Abington PDC

Easy Access? Yes **Suitable?** Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Barry Road School Sports Annexe

Polling Station Ward – Abington

Easy Access? No, the location is hidden away, down an unlit alleyway, the building entrance immediately enters a kitchen/scullery area. Both of these factors act as disincentives to voting. I found myself wondering if I was going in the right direction, was it the right place? Walking past someone making a drink in the kitchen gave the impression I had come in through the back door.

The lack of lighting and the alleyway approach must surely intimidate some folk. Suitable? No. See previous answer and in my opinion, polling stations should be street front locations – preferably a high street front. The entrance, especially, should be clear and welcoming. The approach route should be safe and well lit.

Other Option of Polling Station. Empty restaurant premises at 247 Wellingborough Road

Bellinge Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Blackthorn Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes. I know sometimes schools are used and I do not agree with that. Children having days off impacts the parents and the children's learning time.

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Blackymore Community Centre

Polling Station Ward - East Hunsbury

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No. Too small with two polling stations but one access door, the queues were out the door with one set of staff busy and the other not. If one centre is going to be used there needs to be separate rooms for people to access.

Other Option of Polling Station. East Hunsbury Primary School or Danes Camp Leisure Centre.

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None, the building is much more suitable than closing an entire local school

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Briar Hill

Polling Station Ward - Briar Hill

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No. Unbalanced mobile on a grass verge, hard for disabled to get up, porta loo kept tipping over, no parking, dangerous.

Other Option of Polling Station. Community centre or school nearby or flat surfaced area.

Bridgewater Primary School

Easy Access? Could be better, from where I live both Northampton Old Scouts Rugby Club (Rushmere Road) and the Old Northamptonians Sports Pavilion are more convenient to access and would not disrupt children's education as much as using the primary school. Suitable? No, potential for either causing safeguarding issues (if school remains in use), disrupting children's education (if school has to close for election).

Other Options of Polling Station. The ON's is used as a polling station and the Old Scouts Pavilion would be suitable.

Cedar Road Primary School

Can you please explain to me why you have to constantly use Cedar Road Primary School as a polling station? There are three churches within 400 to 500 yards of the school which I'm sure would be perfectly capable of carrying out this function. Now on 23rd of May the parents of 420 school children are going to have to take time off work or find alternative childcare.

Duston Eldean School

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No, very inappropriate having people in and out the school premises with children at school.

Other Options of Polling Station. Co-op

East Hunsbury Primary School

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No – it required closing a whole school for use as a polling station. Should either use the sports hall at Danes Camp, put a marquee in the Tesco car park or am happy to use the existing option at Blackymore. Parents get fined for taking their kids out of school so it is crazy to close a school to use as a polling station.

Other Options of Polling Station. Sports Hall at Danes Camp or put a marquee in the Tesco car park or use existing option at Blackymore

Easy Access? No response Suitable? No, why use a school as a polling station, it is very disruptive to the children and parents of this school.

Other Options of Polling Station. Blackymore Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No, a school should not be shut to use as a polling station. We are hammered all the time that even taking our children out of school for one day is detrimental to their education and we will be fined, but the Council think it's ok to shut a school for polling day when there are plenty of other places... it seems rules about children missing school is bad until it suits the Council. If the school is shut for these type of reasons we should fine the Council. So stop shutting the school for polling day... you have libraries, leisure centres etc... use them.

Other Options of Polling Station. Blackymore Community Centre, Abbey Centre, Danes Camp

Easy Access? Could be better. Suitable? No, because it is a school which causes huge inconvenience! If you are closing you should fund childcare for the day.

Other Options of Polling Station. Blackymore Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes. Could be better, a school should NOT be used for a polling station when there are community centres and a library in close proximity. Ridiculous to affect a child's education in this way. Suitable? No, a school should NOT be used for a polling station when there are community centres and a library in close proximity.

Other Options of Polling Station. Blackymore Community Centre or East Hunsbury Library

Easy Access? Could be better, it is unacceptable that this school is used for a polling station as it creates extreme disruption to the school and children, one year the school was closed 4 times! There are numerous other polling station locations in the very near vicinity and these should be used going forward and the school no longer used. Suitable? No. It is unacceptable that this school is used for a polling station as it creates extreme disruption to the school and children, one year the school was closed 4 times. There are numerous other polling station locations in the very near vicinity and these should be used going forward and the school no longer used

Other Options of Polling Station. It is unacceptable that this school is used for a polling station as it creates extreme disruption to the school and children, one year the school was closed 4 times. There are numerous other polling station locations in the very near vicinity and these should be used going forward and the school no longer used.

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No. Being a school where my children attend, it is very disruptive being a working parent.

Other Options of Polling Station. Blackymore Community Centre

Far Cotton ASDA

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No comment

Other Options of Polling Station. None

Far Cotton Rec Centre

Polling Station Ward – Delapre

Easy Access? Yes. Could be better. Automatic doors not working. Suitable? Yes, if doors were working.

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Franklins Gardens

Polling Station Ward – Sixfields

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Great Houghton

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Hardingstone Village Hall

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Hinton Community Room

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Easy Access? No. No parking, causes grief to residents. Totally unsuitable.

Suitable? No. Parking issues.

Other Option of Polling Station. Pub function room, marquee on playing fields.

Lings Primary School

Polling Station Ward – Brookside

Easy Access? No Response Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Parklands Primary School

Could I request that, in future elections, the community centre is used? We are having to close the school on the 23rd as we cannot securely close off an area that would restrict access to our pupils. This is obviously very frustrating for our parents, and I think it would help if they knew that this would not be a

regular thing as I have had lots of questions asking why the school and not the community centre.

Park Lane Duston

Polling Station Ward – Duston

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Reynard Way

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Options of Polling Station. None

St Andrews CEVA Primary

Polling Station Ward - Ecton Brook

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No, the building is a school and it has to be closed to pupils in order for it to be used as a polling station. The pupils are missing out on education on polling day.

Other Option of Polling Station. Bipin Brook Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No, affecting my sons education, would fine me for taking my child out of school for a day for no reason. It's wrong and do you not think about the children at all.

Other Option of Polling Station. Bipin Brook Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No, St Andrews CEVA Primary School in Ecton Brook is unsuitable as it has to shut in order to be used as a polling station. The children's education suffers when there is a suitable place next door which could be used. We get fined for taking our children out of school but the authority finds it acceptable to close a school for this.

Other Option of Polling Station. Bipin Brook Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No. Children should be in school learning and the school should not be shut for voting day. We as parents are not supposed to take them out of school therefore authorities should not shut the school.

Other Option of Polling Station. Bipin Brook Community Centre

Easy Access? No Response Suitable? No. It's my child's school and I don't think that it's right that my children lose a day from their education. One of my children had their SATs that week and because of the closure had to cram 4 days of SATs into 3. I don't agree with this seen as we get fined for taking them out of school to go on holiday. I would never take my children out of school when they have important tests, so I don't think it's acceptable to use the school as a polling station when there is a community centre that could be used right next to the school, which would not disrupt the children's education.

Other Option of Polling Station. Bipin Brook Community Station

Easy Access? Could be better, would be better if a building other than a school was used. Suitable? No, disruption to children's education. Unfair on working parents. There are two primary schools in Ecton Brook but it is always St Andrews that is used and therefore always the same children whose education is affected. Council penalises parents who take children out of school but enforce an unnecessary non-attendance day. There is now a community centre Bipin Brook and an unused care home that are used during the day and would be better suited as polling stations than a school.

Other Option of Polling Station. Bipin Brook Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No, it is a school which has had to close for the day which disrupts the children's education.

Other Option of Polling Station. Bipin Brook Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? No, the parents are concerned the closure of the school is denying our children education and will impact their future.

Other Option of Polling Station. Bipin Brook Community Centre

Easy Access? No Response Suitable? No, children should be learning not be off because some voting, sorry government doesn't allow parents to take children from school during terms, why you taking 2nd time children , it is not easy to parents they have to take time off work.

Other Option of Polling Station. None

St Davids Church

Polling Station Ward - St Davids

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

St Peters Church Hall

Polling Station Ward - Weston Favell

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. Weston Favell Parish Hall

Vernon Terrace Community Centre

Polling Station Ward – Castle

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Wootton Community Centre

Easy Access? Yes Suitable? Yes

Other Option of Polling Station. None

Other

In response to your polling station review Duston Parish Council believes the current arrangements within Duston are satisfactory.

I note we are still using a number of schools. Does it cost too much to put mobiles in the playgrounds or in the case of Barry Road - a mobile the Co-op car park? The Castle Community Hub is no longer in community use.

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Ward	Polling District	Polling Station
Abington	NNAB1	Abington Avenue Utd. Reformed Church
	NNAB2	Stimpson Avenue Academy
	NNAB3	Stimpson Avenue Academy
	NNAB4	Old Northamptonians Association, Billing Road
	NNAB5	Mobile Co-op Car Park, Barry Road
Brookside	NNBR1	Lumbertubs Primary School
	NNBR2	Brookside Hall, Billing Brook Road
	NNBR3	Arbury Road Community Room Arbury Road
Boothville	NNBV1	Kings Meadow School, Manning Road
	NNBV2	Boothville Community Centre, Booth Lane
Eastfield	NNEF1	St Albans Jubilee Hall, Mayfield Road
	NNEF2	St Albans Jubilee Hall, Mayfield Road
	NNEF3	Eden Close Community Hub, Eden Close
Headlands	NNHD1	Headlands United Reformed Church, Church Hall
	NNHD2	Abington Community Centre, Wheatfield Road South
Kingsley	NNKG1	Pioneer Public House, Fulford Drive
	NNKG2	Kingsley Primary School, Wallace Road
	NNKG3	Kingsley Park Methodist Church, Milton Street
Kingsthorpe	NNKT1	The Pastures Community Centre, Acre Lane
	NNKT2	Kingsthorpe Community Centre, Mill Lane
Obelisk	NNOL1	Reynard Way Evangelical Church, Reynard Way
	NNOL2	All Saints CEVA Primary School
Phippsville	NNPH1	St Matthew's Parish Centre, 27A The Drive
	NNPH2	Cedar Road Primary School, Cedar Road East
Parklands	NNPL1	Parklands Community Centre, Devon Way
	NNPL2	Parklands Learning and Care Centre, Spinney Hill Road
	NNPL3	Boothville Community Centre, Booth Lane North
Rectory Farm	NNRF3	Growing Together Blackthorn Good Neighbours, Longmead Court
St Davids	NNSD1	Kingsthorpe Grove Primary School, St David's Road
	NNSD2	St David's Church Room, Eastern Avenue
	NNSD3	The Liburd Rooms, Whilton Rd/Holdenby Rd
Semilong	NNSM1	Holy Trinity Church Hall, Edinborough Road
	NNSM2	Holy Trinity Church Hall, Edinborough Road
Spring Park	NNSP1	The Pastures Community Centre, Acre Lane
	NNSP2	The Pastures Community Centre, Acre Lane
	NNSP3	St Mark's Church Hall, St Mark's Crescent
Sunnyside	NNSU1	Hinton Road Community Centre, Hinton Road
	NNSU2	Hinton Road Community Centre, Hinton Road
	NNSU3	Green Oaks Primary School
Trinity	NNTR1	Bethany Homestead, The Chapel, Kingsley Road
	NNTR2	Holy Trinity Church Hall, Edinburgh Road
Talavera	NNTV1	Thorplands Primary School, Farmfield Court
	NNTV2	Southfields Community Centre, Farnhill Road
	NNTV3	Lodge Farm Community Centre, Off Crestwood Road
	NNTV4	Mobile Unit Goldings Shopping Centre, Prentice Court

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	NNTV5	Growing Together Blackthorn Community Centre, Longmead Court
Westone	NNWT1	Mobile Unit, Northampton College, Booth Lane
	NNWT2	James Lewis Court Community Hub
	NNWT3	Weston Favell Parish Hall, Booth Lane South
Abington	NSAB6	Vernon Terrace Community Centre, Stockley Street
Billing	NSBL1	The Institute, High Street
	NSBL2	The Bipin Brook
	NSBL3	Bellinge Community Centre, Fieldmill Square
	NSBL4	All Saints Church, Church Lane, Little Billing
Castle	NSCT1	Spring Boroughs Hub, St Peters House, Bath Street
	NSCT2	The Great Hall, The Guildhall
	NSCT3	Victoria Road Congregational Church
	NSCT4	Mounts Baths, Upper Mounts
	NSCT5	Northampton Music Trust, Clare Street
	NSCT6	Northampton Music Trust, Clare Street
	NSCT7	Northampton Music Trust, Clare Street
Delapre & Briar Hill	NSDB1	Mobile Unit, Hunsbarrow Road/Ironstone Lane
	NSDB2	Briar Hill Community Centre, The Springs, Briar Hill
	NSDB3	Far Cotton Rec. Centre, Towcester Road
	NSDB4	Mobile Unit Far Cotton ASDA, London Road
	NSDB5	Far Cotton Rec. Centre, Towcester Road
	NSDB6	Far Cotton Rec. Centre, Towcester Road
	NSDB7	Gloucester Nursery School, Camborne Close
	NSDB8	The Abbey Primary School, Winchester Road
Kings Heath	NSKH1	Montague Crescent Community Room Montague Crescent
	NSKH2	Kings Heath Community Centre, North Oval
New Duston	NSND1	Mobile Unit Local Centre Car Park, Bordeaux Close, off Weggs Farm Road
	NSND2	Mobile Unit Errington Park, Off Ryeland Road
	NSND3	Mobile Unit, Park Lane, Island Opposite 218/220 Park Lane
	NSND4, NSND7	Duston Eldean Primary School, Main Road
	NSND5	Mobile Unit Errington Park, Off Ryeland Road
	NSND6	Duston Community Centre, Pendle Road
Old Duston	NSOD1	Duston Community Centre, Pendle Road
	NSOD2	Chiltern Primary School Hall, Chiltern Way
	NSOD3	Duston United Reformed Church, Main Road
	NSOD4	Duston United Reformed Church, Main Road
	NSOD5	Lyncrest Primary School, Lyncrest Avenue
Park	NSPK1	St Peter's Church Hall, High Street
	NSPK2	Bridgewater Primary School, Bridgewater Drive
Rectory Farm	NSRF1	Rectory Farm Community Centre, Olden Road
	NSRF2	Rectory Farm Community Centre, Olden Road
Rushmills	NSRM2	Bridgewater Primary School, Bridgewater Drive
	NSRM3	Mobile Unit, Old Scouts, Car Park Opposite, Rushmere

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		Road
	NSRM4	Vernon Terrace Community Centre, Stockley Street
Riverside	NSRV1	Standens Barn Community Centre, Walledwell Court
	NSRV2	Standens Barn Community Centre, Walledwell Court
	NSRV3	Standens Barn Community Centre, Walledwell Court
St James	NSSJ1	Heroes Room, Franklins Gardens, Northampton Saints
	NSSJ2	Doddridge Centre, 109 St James Road
Semilong	NSSM3	Semilong Community Centre, Norfolk Terrace
	NSSM4	Alliston Gardens Youth & Community Centre, 2 Adelaide Street, Semilong
Spencer	NSSP1	Mobile Unit, Dallington Park, Dallington Park Road
	NSSP2	Spencer Dallington Community Centre, Tintern Avenue
	NSSP3	Spencer Dallington Community Centre, Tintern Avenue
Talavera	NSTV6	Rectory Farm Community Centre, Olden Road
East Hunsbury	SNEH1	Collingtree Golf Club, Windingbrook Lane
	SNEH2	Blackymore Community Centre, Butts Croft Close
	SNEH3	Blackymore Community Centre, Butts Croft Close
	SNEH4	Blackymore Community Centre, Butts Croft Close
	SNEH5	Abbey Centre Baptist Church, Overslade Close
	SNEH6	Abbey Centre Baptist Church, Overslade Close
Nene Valley	SNNV1	Hardingstone Village Hall, High Street
	SNNV2	Wootton Community & Sports Centre, Curtlee Hill
	SNNV3	Wootton Community & Sports Centre, Curtlee Hill
	SNNV4	Wootton Community & Sports Centre, Curtlee Hill
	SNNV5	Wootton Community & Sports Centre, Curtlee Hill
	SNNV6	Collingtree Village Room, High Street
Rushmills	SNRM1	Parsons Memorial Hall, Leys Lane
Upton	SNUP1	Mobile Unit Banbury Lane
	SNUP2	Pineham Barns Primary School
	SNUP3	The Elgar Centre, 1A High Street
	SNUP4	St Crispin Retirement Village, St Crispin Drive
	SNUP5	St Crispin Social Club, Berrywood Road, Duston
West Hunsbury	SNWH1	Parsons Mead Community Hub, Parsons Mead
	SNWH2	Mobile Unit, Ladybridge Drive, West Hunsbury

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