

South Cambridgeshire District Council

Community Governance Review for Haslingfield Parish

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Why undertake a Community Governance Review of Haslingfield Parish?

The development at Trumpington Meadows will alter the spread of housing across the parish.

The two population centres will no longer correspond to a parish boundary that reflects a "natural settlement pattern".



A community governance review aims to secure an arrangement which

- Reflects the identifies and interests of the community in that area
- Is effective and convenient
- Takes into account any other arrangements for the purpose of community representation or community engagement

It ought to bring about "improved community engagement, better local democracy and result in more effective and convenient delivery of local services"



Terms of Reference, published 15 Feb 2016





Parishes

- Alter existing parish boundaries and/or create new parish?
- Is a parish council the right choice, or could an alternative or intermediate arrangement be made?
- What should the parish boundaries be which would make most sense? Are they easily identifiable?
- If a new parish council was created would it be viable?



Names and Styles

- Should a new parish require naming, what name should it take?
- Should an alternative style be adopted,

 i.e. community council, village council?
 (powers are the same as for a parish council)



Electoral Arrangements

- The Council has moved to all out elections, first all out elections will be held in 2018.
- If a new parish was to be formed, this would entail reducing the term of office of the new parish so it could synchronise with the normal cycle at the next ordinary election.
- If a new council was to be formed how many councillors should it have? It can not have fewer than five, with three needed to be quorate. The eventual number should relate to the number of electors.
- Should a new or existing parish be warded?



Consequential Matters

- Transfer and management or custody of property;
- The setting of precepts for new parishes;
- Provision with respect to transfer of functions, property, rights and liabilities;
- Provision for the transfer of staff, compensation for loss of office, pensions and other staffing matters (apportionments will be guided by population of the area)
- District ward boundaries: should the Council make recommendations to the Local Government Boundary Commission re. district ward and county electoral divisions?



Existing parish boundaries:







Extent of the development falling within South Cambridgeshire District (Haslingfield Parish)





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Timetable for the Community Governance Review		
Publication of the Terms of Reference	15 Feb 2016	
Local briefings and meetings	Feb / March 2016	
Stage One: Submissions invited	From 15 March to 13 June 2016	
Stage Two: Submissions considered and recommendations prepared	Draft recommendations published 15 August 2016	
Stage Three: Consultation on draft recommendations	Consultation closes 14 November 2016	
Final recommendation to Civic Affairs committee	December 2016	
Council resolves to make a Reorganisation Order	January 2017	



Timetable for local meetings and briefings		
Meeting of the Trumpington Residents Association	Fawcett Primary School, Trumpington	Wednesday 24 Feb 2016 7.30 pm
Hauxton Parish Council meeting	Hauxton Parish Hall	Wednesday 02 March 2016 8pm
Drop in session followed by presentation to Haslingfield Parish Council meeting	Haslingfield Village Hall	Monday 14 March 2016 Drop in from 5pm Parish Council meeting 7.30pm
Briefing to Grantchester Parish Council 's Parish Council meeting, public welcome	Grantchester Reading Room	Monday 14 March 2016 As an agenda item at 8.30pm



Final recommendations for Cambridgeshire County Council divisions





Detail of parish boundary – Haslingfield and Grantchester





Existing parish and district council ward boundaries







Plan of the Trumpington Estate (1816?)