

Creation of Parishes Working Party [Hugglescote and Donington le Heath] held on 10th December 2009.

Present

Councillors:-

John Legrys
Paula Purver [from 6.20pm]

Officers:-

Melanie Phillips, Democratic Services Manager
Louise Beeston, Senior Electoral Services Officer

Also in attendance:-

Mr Walker, Chairman of the Hugglescote and Donington le Heath Forum.

1. Appointment of Chairman

RESOLVED:- That Councillor Legrys be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

2. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Matthew Blain, Phil Holland and Graham Partner.

3. Declarations of Interest

No interests were declared.

4. Notes of the Previous Meeting.

The Chairman took the group through the notes of the last meeting and reminded Members of key points which were raised and the decisions made. Thanks were conveyed to officers for the clarity and conciseness of the minutes.

RESOLVED:- That the minutes of the previous meeting and the decisions outlined therein, be received and noted.

5. Draft Recommendations

Members were taken through the report of the Democratic Services Manager which set out the proposed draft recommendations following the outcome of the consultation and the comments made by the Group at its last meeting. It was considered that, in view of the lack of support for the suggested extension to the proposed boundary, the boundary should be that as set out in the original proposal.

The Democratic Services Manager updated the Group on the outcome of the consultation. It was noted that the total number of responses to the consultation based on the original proposal was 23 with 15 being in favour of a Parish Council

and 8 against. The results of the consultation have been made available on the website with the addresses removed for data security purposes.

The Group was advised that the draft recommendations would be submitted to Council for approval in January 2010, following which they would be sent to all those people who had made representations as part of the second stage of the consultation. The Group would need to meet again in March to consider the responses received before recommending to Council its final recommendations.

On discussing the timetable, Councillor Legrys asked that a caveat be added to show that there may be slippage should a general election be called before May, or in the event of any other circumstances which would have resource implications.

The draft recommendations were set out in full in the report of the Democratic Services Manager and are summarised as follows:-

- That a Parish Council be created in Hugglescote and Donington le Heath
- That the boundary of the Parish Council be as proposed in the petition.
- That the new name of the new Parish Council be Hugglescote and Donington le Heath Parish Council.
- That the council size for the Parish Council be 9 parish councillors.
- That the parish of Hugglescote and Donington le Heath not be warded.

RESOLVED:- That the draft recommendations be submitted to Council for approval.

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm and closed at 6.25pm.