

FULL COUNCIL, 25 September 2019

REPORT OF GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Polling District and Polling Places Review

Governance Committee, at its meeting on 28 August considered a report by the Election Services Manager which gave findings of the recent review of parliamentary polling places and polling districts in Havering. This review was required to be completed under the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013.

The report of Governance Committee and its appendices (attached) summarise the consultation process and the responses received. It is accordingly **RECOMMENDED** that Council agrees the following as regards the outcome of the review and any actions to be taken:

- **Polling District BL2 – That there are to be no changes to Brooklands Ward at this time.**
- **BL5 – That Romford and Gidea Park Rugby and Football Club becomes a double station.**
- **CM1 and CM2 – That there are to be no changes in the Cranham Ward at this time.**
- **GS6 – Drapers Pyrgo Priory School – That there are to be no changes to the Gooshays Ward at this time.**
- **HP8 – Dame Tipping School (Havering Park Ward) – That investigations be made following the suggestion at the Committee that the local Community Hall and Church Hall be considered as viable alternatives in order to potentially provide greater accessibility for all including disabled voters. Should these venues turn out not to be suitable following investigation, the venue to revert back to the Pepperell Education Centre, as recommended in the report.**
- **HT1 and HT2 – That there be no changes to the Heaton Ward at this time.**
- **SQ1 – The Royal Liberty School – That there be no changes to the Squirrels Heath Ward at this time.**
- **ST4 – The Herons – That there be no change to this Polling Station at this time.**
- **ST3 – Olive Academy. That that HOPWA House be used as an alternative Polling Station for Polling District ST3.**
- **Upminster Ward – UP1, UP4 and UP6 – That there be no changes to the Upminster Ward at this time.**