

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

CABINET: 28TH FEBRUARY, 2022

REFERENCE FROM COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE: 25TH JANUARY, 2022

“785 POLLING PLACES AND POLLING STATIONS: MINI REVIEW (REF) –

The Electoral Registration Officer for the Vale of Glamorgan Council presented the reference from Cabinet on 22nd November 2021 for the Committee’s information.

The report advised that a mini review of Polling Places and Stations had been undertaken with consideration given to feedback from Presiding Officers and representations made by stakeholders following the Senedd and Police and Crime Commissioner Elections in May 2021. Regard had also been given to the Covid safety measures in place at the time and anticipated for the May 2022 Local Government Elections.

The Electoral Registration Officer added that as part of the mini-review, visits had been made to each of the current and proposed Polling Places and Stations identified as requiring attention and Local Ward Members had been consulted.

The outcome of the mini-review and its proposed changes to Polling Places and / or Stations in a number of electoral wards (as set out in paragraphs 2.2 – 2.18 of the appended Cabinet report) reflected electoral ward changes made by The County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) 2021 Order (“the Order”).

In conclusion, the Electoral Registration Officer advised of two further changes to polling station locations since the report was considered by Cabinet due to the present closure of a building that had previously been used as a polling station (Ewenny Community Village hall) and the completion of refurbishment works (Llandow Village Hall). To ensure that Cabinet were notified of the subsequent changes, the Committee agreed that the updates be referred back to Cabinet for its consideration.

For completeness, Cllr Cave then stated that as a result of the review the Ewenny (WD0) polling district no longer fell under the polling districts within her local ward; Llandow.

With no further comments or questions, the Committee subsequently

AGREED – T H A T the proposed changes to the Polling Places and / or Polling Stations as set out in paragraphs 2.2 – 2.18 of the referred Cabinet report be noted subject to the following updates also being referred to Cabinet for information:

St. Brides Major – WE0

Change of polling station venue:

From: Ewenny Community Village Hall Corntown Road, Ewenny, CF35 5BG.

To: Vale Cricket Club, Corntown Road, Corntown, CF35 5BA.

Reason: Village Hall closed pending refurbishment works.

Llandow – TD0

Change of polling station venue:

From: Holy Trinity Church Llandow – opposite Great House, Llandow, Cowbridge Vale Of Glamorgan, CF71 7NT.

To: Llandow Village Hall, Llandow, CF71 7NT.

Reason: Refurbishment works now completed within the Village Hall with improved amenities.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference, appended Cabinet report and verbal update from the Vale of Glamorgan Electoral Registration Officer.”