

RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT

INTRODUCTION

Local Authorities must comply with a number of legislative requirements regarding the location and accessibility of Polling Districts and Polling Places. The mandatory review process comprises a number of specified steps set out in Schedule A1 to the Representation of the People Act 1983, which include a public consultation.

The last review for Plymouth City Council was conducted in 2013. A full polling place and polling district review will now be conducted over the next 16 months.

The review will consider any representations from local residents and stakeholders in the city, including any issues regarding access to premises or facilities for persons with disabilities. Any elector can make their views known and the process for doing so will be publicised. In addition, the review will consider the impact of the next four years' worth of planned residential developments on existing electoral arrangements.

In encouraging views, it is of course the case that the availability of suitable polling places is the key determining factor in the makeup of polling districts. Therefore, in asking for comments, we will request that alternative proposals should include suggestions for polling station locations.

It is the Returning Officer's role to select the polling stations. It will be Full Council which will make decisions on any proposed changes to polling districts or polling places. The final scheme for polling arrangements will be adopted by the Chief Executive in accordance with the Council's constitution.

The polling districts, polling places and polling stations finally decided on will be used for the May 2020 local and Police and Crime Commissioner elections.

Scope of the review

Plymouth is divided into 116 polling districts each associated with one of 114 polling stations (two of those polling stations are double). Polling districts, geographic subdivisions of each ward, as well as polling stations for each of those districts are within the scope of this review. The review is considering the continued suitability of the existing arrangements and, when necessary, will make proposals for:

- The creation or removal of districts,
- "Change" or "no change" to the boundaries between districts,
- "Change" or "no change" to the referencing of those districts,
- "Change" or "no change" to the polling stations within those districts.

Not in scope

City ward boundaries and parliamentary constituency boundaries are not in scope of this review. The legislation requires that ward boundaries are reviewed by the Electoral Commission, not by Local

Authorities themselves. We do not have a mandate to suggest alterations to the boundaries between the wards.

The review will not be able to consider comments regarding local authority boundaries, neighbouring parliamentary constituencies, the names of local authorities or other electoral areas within or bordering Plymouth City.

Glossary of terms

Polling District - A polling district is a geographical sub-division of an electoral area.

Polling Place - A polling place is the area in which the Returning Officer selects the polling station. In Plymouth, polling places represent the same area as the polling district to allow a greater degree of flexibility in deciding where a polling station should be located.

Polling Station - The polling station is the room or building where the poll takes place.

Accessing information

The report presents information for each ward of the city. These are presented in alphabetical order and are listed in a contents table on page 3.

In order to illustrate those recommendations for each ward, maps of the existing arrangements as well as maps of our proposed arrangements are available on our polling station page:

<https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/votingandelections/pollingdistrictreview2018>

In the polling district information tables provided for each ward, the word “Electorate” refers to the total number of registered voters in the district, as of August 2018.

In the polling station information tables provided for each ward, the expression “Polling Station Electorate” refers to the total number of registered voters in the district who have opted to attend a polling station to vote, as of August 2018. This figure excludes electors from the district who may have opted to vote by other means. This figure informs us of the maximum number of electors who may attend the polling station on polling day.

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BUDSHEAD WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate¹	Recommendations
EA	Mobile Unit at Canterbury Drive	1,415	No change
EB	St. Peters RC Primary School	1,447	No change
EC	Bethany Evangelical Church	1,066	No change
ED	Salvation Army Community Hall	1,410	No change
EE	Mobile Unit at Kirkwall Road	739	No change
EF	Manadon Masonic Hall	854	No change
EG	Derriford United Reformed Church Hall	2,690	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling Station	Polling district	Polling station electorate²	Disabled access	Recommendations
Mobile Unit at Canterbury Drive	EA	1,143	Yes ³	No change
St. Peters RC Primary School	EB	1,204	Yes - ramped	No change
Bethany Evangelical Church	EC	881	Yes	No change
Salvation Army Community Hall	ED	1,117	Yes	No change
Mobile Unit at Kirkwall Road	EE	554	Yes ³	Replacement
Manadon Masonic Hall	EF	684	Yes	No change
Derriford United Reformed Church Hall	EG	2,153	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

³ Although mobile polling stations are suitably equipped to enable access for all voters (ramps and handrails for disabled access) there are still ongoing concerns due to inherent characteristics of mobile units, such as their narrow entrance and limited internal area.

Recommendations**District EC and ED – Alterations to district boundaries**

In order to facilitate access to a polling station for most residents, a small alteration to the boundaries between district EC and ED are suggested.

The residents of the south eastern side of Taunton Avenue, in the portion of the road between Woodfield Primary School and the junction with Lancaster Gardens would now vote at Bethany Evangelical Church in district EC.

Mobile Unit at Canterbury Drive in district EA – No change

This review investigates opportunities to remove mobile polling stations whenever circumstances allow. However, this must be balanced against the necessity to provide accessible and convenient polling stations that meet the specific needs of each ward. This mobile polling stations serves a substantial number of electors in a part of the ward where no alternatives could be identified. The review therefore does not recommend a change unless alternative polling arrangements are put forward.

Mobile Unit at Kirkwall Road in district EE - Replacement of polling station

Although mobile polling stations are suitably equipped to enable access for all voters (ramps and handrails for disabled access) there are still ongoing concerns due to inherent characteristics of mobile units, such as their narrow entrance and limited internal area. The review therefore investigates opportunities to remove mobile polling stations whenever circumstances allow. However, this must be balanced against the necessity to provide accessible and convenient polling stations that meet the specific needs of each ward.

An alternative polling station has been identified and will be further investigated at the Crownhill Community Centre. The Centre is within the polling district, 0.6 miles away from the current polling station. The centre is located on the north east side of Budshead Road. Electors from the south side of Budshead Road would have to cross this main road to access this proposed polling station. The Centre is accessible by public transport and by car, and offers excellent facilities, including disabled car parking spaces.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate ¹	Estimated Polling station electorate ²
EA	Mobile Unit at Canterbury Drive	At junction with Budshead Road, PL5 4HH	1,415	1,143
EB	St. Peters RC Primary School	Brentford Avenue, PL5 4HD	1,447	1,204
EC	Bethany Evangelical Church	Budshead Road, PL5 4DT	1,078	891
ED	Salvation Army Community Hall	Whitleigh Court, PL5 4AA	1,397	1,106
EE	Crownhill Family Centre	Crownhill Fort Road, PL6 5BX	739	554
EF	Manadon Masonic Hall	Tavistock Road, PL6 5EL	854	684
EG	Derriford United Reformed Church Hall	Powisland Drive, PL6 6AB	2,690	2,153

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

COMPTON WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling station	Electorate ¹	Recommendations
LA	Mobile Unit at Kneele Gardens	817	No change
LB	Compton C of E Primary School	1,699	No change
LC	Compton Methodist Church Hall	2,765	No change
LD	Emmanuel Parish Hall	1,907	No change
LE	Mutley Baptist Church - Main Hall	2,071	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling station	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Recommendations
LA	Mobile Unit at Kneele Gardens	700	Yes ³	No change
LB	Compton C of E Primary School	1,327	Yes	No change
LC	Compton Methodist Church Hall	2,270	Yes	No change
LD	Emmanuel Parish Hall	1,514	Yes	No change
LE	Mutley Baptist Church - Main Hall	1,779	Yes	No change

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Recommendations

No changes of polling districts are proposed in this ward.

Mobile Unit at Kneele Gardens in district LA – no change.

Residents around Kneele Gardens currently have access to a mobile polling station. For reasons stated above, this review investigates opportunities to remove mobile polling stations whenever circumstances allow. However, this must be balanced against the necessity to provide accessible and convenient polling stations that meet the specific needs of each district. On this occasion, an alternative polling station could not be identified, this report therefore does not recommend changes, unless alternative polling arrangements are put forward during the consultation.

DEVONPORT WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate ¹	Recommendations
AA	Marlborough Primary Academy	1,541	Change of boundaries with district AE
AB	Salvation Army Hall	2,361	No change
AC	Keyham Green Places Centre	2,377	No change
AD	Keyham Methodist Community Centre	1,649	No change
AE	Mount Wise Neighbourhood Centre	3,026	Change of boundaries with district AA

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Recommendations
AA	Marlborough Primary Academy	1,276	Yes	No change
AB	Salvation Army Hall	1,981	Yes	No change
AC	Keyham Green Places Centre	1,938	Yes	No change
AD	Keyham Methodist Community Centre	1,414	Yes	No change
AE	Mount Wise Neighbourhood Centre	2,428	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

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Recommendations**District AA and AE – Alterations to district boundaries**

In order to lower the number of electors in district AE, and to facilitate access to a polling station for most residents, the following alterations to the district boundaries are suggested.

The boundaries between ward district AA and AE would move southwards to include more residents into ward district AA. The residents of the following streets would now vote at Marlborough Primary Academy in Morice Square in district AA:

- Fore Street,
- Phelps Street,
- Wall Street,

- Mill Street,
- Mildren Way,
- St Aubyn Street and
- Duke Street.

No changes of polling stations are proposed in this ward.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate¹	Estimated Polling station electorate²
AA	Marlborough Primary Academy	Morice Square, PL1 4NJ	2,117	1,734
AB	Salvation Army Hall	Balfour Terrace, PL2 1RS	2,361	1,981
AC	Keyham Green Places Centre	Renown Street, PL2 2DT	2,377	1,938
AD	Keyham Methodist Community Centre	Admiralty Street, PL2 2BR	1,649	1,414
AE	Mount Wise Neighbourhood Centre	Clowance Street, PL1 4LQ	2,441	1,954

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DRAKE WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate¹	Recommendations
MA	Creative Courts on Central Park Avenue	1,725	No change
MB	Sherwell Church Hall	1,053	No change
MC	Charles-with-St Matthias Church	1,084	No change
MD	Mount Street Primary School	1,922	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling station electorate²	Disabled access	Recommendations
MA	Creative Courts on Central Park Avenue	1,484	Yes	No change
MB	Sherwell Church Hall	952	Yes	No change
MC	Charles-with-St Matthias Church	955	Currently out of order	Replacement
MD	Mount Street Primary School	1,719	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

Recommendations**Charles-with-St Matthias Church in district MC - Replacement of polling station**

The last elections brought about some comments regarding the continued suitability of this polling station, as the lift which is intended to improve access to the church to disabled electors is not functional.

This review proposes considering a replacement for this polling station, unless the accessibility of the church can be improved. Alternative locations for a new polling station within this district are being investigated, and we would like to invite residents and stakeholders to suggest alternative polling stations in this district.

EFFORD AND LIPSON WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling station	Electorate ¹	Recommendations
PA	Mobile Unit at Kensington Road	1,366	No change
PB	Lipson Vale Primary School	1,369	No change
PC	Laira Green Primary School Children's Centre	1,368	No change
PD	Mobile Unit at the corner of Pike Street and Old Laira Road	1,556	No change
PE	Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel	708	No change
PF	Mobile Unit adjacent to Humber Close	895	No change
PG	St. Pauls Church Community Hall	2,774	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling station	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Recommendations
PA	Mobile Unit at Kensington Road	1,207	Yes ³	No change
PB	Lipson Vale Primary School	1,147	Yes	No change
PC	Laira Green Primary School Children's Centre	1,170	Yes	No change
PD	Mobile Unit at the corner of Pike Street and Old Laira Road	1,241	Yes ³	No change
PE	Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel	585	Yes	No change
PF	Mobile Unit adjacent to Humber Close	717	Yes ³	No change
PG	St. Pauls Church Community Hall	2,279	Yes	No change

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Recommendations**No changes are recommended in this ward.**

This review investigates opportunities to remove mobile polling stations whenever circumstances allow. This must be balanced against the necessity to provide accessible and convenient polling stations that meet the specific needs of each ward. The mobile polling stations in this district serve substantial numbers of electors in areas of the ward where no alternatives could be identified. The review therefore does not recommend a change unless suitable alternative polling arrangements are put forward during the consultation.

EGGBUCKLAND WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling station	Electorate¹	Recommendations
HA	Manadon Vale Primary School	1,987	No change
HB	Crownhill Methodist Church	815	No change
HC	Courtlands Special School Academy	1,702	No change
HD	The Village Hall	1,529	No change
HE	Austin Farm Academy - Nursery	2,287	No change
HF	St. Edwards Primary School	1,846	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling station	Polling station electorate²	Disabled access	Recommendations
HA	Manadon Vale Primary School	1,478	Yes	No change
HB	Crownhill Methodist Church	652	Yes	No change
HC	Courtlands Special School Academy	1,275	Yes	No change
HD	The Village Hall	1,212	Yes	No change
HE	Austin Farm Academy - Nursery	1,819	Yes	No change
HF	St. Edwards Primary School	1,513	Yes	No change

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No changes of polling districts or polling stations are proposed in this ward.

HAM WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district reference	Polling Station	Electorate ¹	Proposed changes
BA	St. Philips C of E Church Hall	1,522	No change
BB	Weston Mill Oak Villa Social Club	707	No change
BC	North Prospect Library	2,706	Change of district boundaries
BD	Mobile Unit at Tewkesbury Close ³	561	Merger with BE
BE	Morice Baptist Church	1,703	Merger with BD and change of district boundaries
BF	St. Pancras Church	3,040	Change of district boundaries

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district reference	Polling Station	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Proposed changes
BA	St. Philips C of E Church Hall	1,241	Yes	No change
BB	Weston Mill Oak Villa Social Club	552	Yes	No change
BC	North Prospect Library	2,227	Yes	No change
BD	Mobile Unit at Tewkesbury Close	471	Yes ³	Removal
BE	Morice Baptist Church	1,407	Yes	No change
BF	St. Pancras Church	2,422	Yes	No change

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Recommendations**District BC and BE - Alteration to polling district boundaries**

This review proposes alterations to the western side of this district, between the current district BE and BC.

Residents of the following streets would join district BC and would now attend the North Prospect Library to vote:

- Grassendale Avenue,
- Woodville close,
- Vixen Way,

- Foliot Road,
- Ash Grove,
- Burrator Gardens and
- Overdale Road.

District BD and BE – Merger of two districts

District BD is substantially smaller than other districts in the ward. The merger of district BD with district BE is proposed. Morice Baptist Church would become the new polling station for the now larger district. The proposed new district would grow to an estimated size of 1,878 electors.

Mobile Polling Station on Tewkesbury Close – Removal of mobile polling station.

The review investigates opportunities to remove mobile polling stations whenever circumstances allow.

The merger of districts BD and BE would lead to the decommissioning of this mobile polling unit. Residents would now vote at Morice Baptist Church which is located 0.3 miles away from the current polling station. Morice Baptist church is currently used as a polling station and offers good facilities, car parking, and good access.

District BE and BF - Alteration to polling district boundaries

In order to facilitate access to a polling station for most residents, a small alteration to the boundaries between districts BE and BF is suggested.

The residents of the Conway Gardens would now vote at St Pancras Church in current district BF.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate¹	Estimated Polling station electorate²
BA	St. Philips C of E Church Hall	Bridwell Road, PL5 IAF	1,522	1,241
BB	Weston Mill Oak Villa Social Club	Ferndale Road, PL2 2EL	707	552
BC*	North Prospect Library	North Prospect Road, PL2 2NE	3,243	2,691
BD*	St. Pancras Church	Honicknowle Lane, PL2 3QT	3,095	2,456
BE	Morice Baptist Church	Ham Drive, PL2 2NJ	1,667	1,368

* The creation of double polling stations at those venues is proposed in this district to cater for their large electorate.

HONICKNOWLE WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate¹	Recommendations
DA	West Park Library	1,338	No change
DB	Honicknowle Youth & Community Centre	1,837	Change of boundaries with district DG
DC	Mobile Unit at Chaucer Way	1,343	No change
DD	Mobile Unit at Sedley Way	1,342	No change
DE	Ernesettle Community School	1,208	No change
DF	St. Aidan's Church Hall	2,020	No change
DG	Knowle Primary School	1,180	Change of boundaries with district DB

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling station electorate²	Disabled Access	Recommendations
DA	West Park Library	1,132	Yes	Replacement
DB	Honicknowle Youth & Community Centre	1,562	Yes	No change
DC	Mobile Unit at Chaucer Way	1,100	Yes ³	No change
DD	Mobile Unit at Sedley Way	1,131	Yes ³	No change
DE	Ernesettle Community School	1,002	Yes	No change
DF	St. Aidan's Church Hall	1,649	Yes - ramped	No change
DG	Knowle Primary School	970	Yes	No change

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Recommendations**Districts DB and DG – Alterations to district boundaries**

In order to even out the electorate between the two districts, and to simplify access to a polling station, it is proposed that residents from the following streets will move from district DB to DG:

- Shaldon Crescent,
- Marldon Close,
- Modbury Close,

- Kenn Close,
- Haytor Close and
- Foxtor Close.

Those residents would now vote at Knowle Primary School instead of the Honicknowle Youth and Community Centre.

Districts DE and DF – Alterations to district boundaries

In order to even out the electorate between the two districts, and to simplify access to a polling station, it is proposed that residents from the following streets will move from district DF to DE:

- Redhill Close,
- Acklington Place,
- Yelverton Close,
- Culdrose Close and
- Perranporth Close.

Those residents would now vote at Ernesettle Community School instead of St Aidan's Church Hall.

West Park Library – Replacement of Polling Station

There is a plan to repurpose the use of West Park Library building in the next few years. As a replacement, this report proposes to move the polling station to St Francis Church on Little Dock Lane in the east of the district. St Francis Church is located 0.4 miles away from the current polling station. Although this proposed polling station is not central to the district, it is very accessible on foot and by public transport.

Mobile unit at Chaucer Way in district DC

This review investigates opportunities to remove mobile polling stations whenever circumstances allow. However, in this instance, no suitable alternatives were identified in the area. The review therefore does not recommend a change unless suitable alternative polling arrangements are put forward during the consultation.

Mobile unit at Sedley Way in district DD

This review investigates opportunities to remove mobile polling stations whenever circumstances allow. However, in this instance, no suitable alternatives were identified in the district.

In extreme circumstances, polling stations can be situated outside a polling district. An alternative location has been put forward on the boundary between this ward and Egguckland ward. The Manadon Sport and Community Hub, on the site of the former Ministry of Defence pitches on St Peter's Road is very close to the current mobile polling station. It is very accessible and visible to residents in this district. The Hub is in its final phase on construction and scheduled to be complete March 2019. Its suitability as a polling station will be investigated further after construction.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate¹	Estimated Polling station electorate²
DA	St Francis of Assisi Church	Little Dock Lane, PL5 2LP	1,338	1,132
DB	Honicknowle Youth & Community Centre	Honicknowle Green, PL5 3PX	1,471	1,246
DC	Mobile Unit at Chaucer Way	Entrance to Masefield Gardens, PL5 3EF	1,343	1,100
DD	Manadon Sports and Community Hub	St Peters Road, PL5 3FD	1,342	1,131
DE	Ernesettle Community School	Biggin Hill, PL5 2RB	1442	1,179
DF	St. Aidans Church Hall	Ernesettle Green, PL5 2SS	1,783	1,467
DG	Knowle Primary School	Ringmore Way, PL5 3QG	1,542	1,276

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

MOOR VIEW WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate ¹	Recommendations
GA	Leigham Community Hall	2,233	No change
GB	Mainstone Sports & Social Club	1,206	No change
GC	Elm Community Centre	2,061	Creation of a new district
GD	Thornbury Primary School	2,573	Creation of a new district
GE	St. Annes Church Hall - Glenholt	1,823	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Recommendations
GA	Leigham Community Hall	1,857	Yes	No change
GB	Mainstone Sports & Social Club	978	Yes	No change
GC	Elm Community Centre	1,641	Yes	No change
GD	Thornbury Primary School	2,083	Yes	No change
GE	St. Annes Church Hall - Glenholt	1,412	Yes	No change
GF	A new Polling Station is still to be identified in the proposed new district			

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

Recommendations

The number of electors in the ward is large. In district GD and GC the number of electors is slightly higher than the recommended 2,000 electors by district. The number of electors in the district could grow beyond this limit in the next five years as the ward is anticipated to welcome 1000 new electors by 2020 due to developments.

The creation of a new District GF is proposed in the western side of the ward. This new district would reduce the size of district GD and GC. A new polling station, located within the Plymouth Business Park still needs to be identified and secured, although a range of options are being investigated.

The proposed boundary for this new district would follow a near vertical line across the ward. It would run along Runway Road to the north, down to its junction with Plymbridge lane, then along Derriford Road, down Blunts Lane all the way down to its junction with Forder Valley Road.

Residents in the south west of this new boundary would join the new district GF. This new district would comprise Derriford Hospital and the Plymouth Science Park.

In the north of the ward, residents of the following streets would join the new district GF:

- Runway Road
- Radar Road,
- Albacore Drive,

- Lysander Lane,
- Canberra Road,
- Piper Street,
- Brymon Way,
- Airborne Drive and
- the South East of Plymbridge Lane.

Residents of the new Palmerston Heights and Bircham Combe estates, south of William Prance Road would join the new district GF. This includes:

- Buttercup Road,
- Bluebell Street,
- Sandpiper Road,
- Cornflower Walk,
- Pintail Way and
- Jackdaw Road.

Residents in the north east of the new boundary would continue to be part of district GD and vote at Thornbury Primary School. All estates to the east of Blunts Lane, and adjacent to Miller Way would remain in Ward District GD.

Residents in the south east of the new boundary would continue to be part of district GC and vote at the Elm Community Centre.

No changes of polling stations are proposed in this ward.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate ¹	Estimated Polling station electorate ²
GA	Leigham Community Hall	Thurlestone Walk, PL6 8QG	2,233	1,857
GB	Mainstone Sports & Social Club	Pattinson Drive, PL6 8RU	1,206	978
GC	Elm Community Centre	Leypark Walk, PL6 8UE	1,846	1,447
GD	Thornbury Primary School	Miller Way, PL6 8UL	2,142	1,732
GE	St. Annes Church Hall - Glenholt	Glenholt Road, PL6 7JA	1,823	1,412
GF	Potential Polling Stations are being investigated for this new district		637*	530*

*The electorate numbers in this district will increase with the new developments at Palmerston Heights and Bircham Combe.

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

PEVERELL WARD

Existing Polling Districts

Polling district	Polling stations	Electorate ¹	Recommendations
KA	St. Gabriel The Archangel Church	2,675	Alterations to district boundaries
KB	St. Edwards Church Hall	2,021	Alterations to district boundaries
KC	Montpelier Primary School	2,378	Alterations to district boundaries
KD	Pennycross Methodist Church Hall	2,193	Alterations to district boundaries
KE	Trinity United Reformed Church Hall	1,157	Alterations to district boundaries

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling stations	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Recommendations
KA	St. Gabriel The Archangel Church	2,191	Yes	No change
KB	St. Edwards Church Hall	1,674	Yes – temporary ramp	No change
KC	Montpelier Primary School	1,850	Yes	Replacement
KD	Pennycross Methodist Church Hall	1,855	Yes	Replacement
KE	Trinity United Reformed Church Hall	931	Yes – temporary ramp	No change

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Recommendations

District KA and KB – changes to district boundaries

The boundary between district KA and KB would move northwards to include more residents into district KB. Residents of the following streets would move to district KB and vote at St Edward's Church on Home Park Avenue:

- Elim Terrace,
- Hawkers Lane,
- Trelorin Gardens and
- Verden Close.

Residents of the whole of Weston Park Road would remain in district KB.

Residents of Wesley Avenue and Wesley Cottages would remain in district KA and vote at St Gabriel the Archangel on Peverell Terrace.

District KB and KD – changes to district boundaries

The boundary between district KD and KB would move northwards to include more residents into district KB. Residents of Bickham Park Road and Burleigh Park Road would move to district KB and vote at St Edwards' Church Hall. Residents of Torr View Avenue, Pounds Park Road and St Martin's Avenue would remain in district KD and vote at Holy Family Church on Beacon Park Road.

District KB and KE – changes to district boundaries

The boundary between district KE and KB would move northward to include more residents into district KB. Residents of Pine Gardens would now join district KB and vote at St Edward's Church on Home Park Avenue.

District KC and KD – changes to district boundaries

In order to ensure the new polling stations are central to the districts, the following alterations to the district boundaries are suggested.

The boundaries between ward district KC and KD would move southwards to include more residents into ward district KD. Residents of the following streets would move to district KD and vote at Holy Family Church on Beacon Park Road:

- Beaconfield Road,
- Elmcroft,
- Birchfield Avenue,
- Oakcroft Road,
- Fircroft Road,
- Cedarcroft Road,
- Beechcroft Road,
- St Boniface Drive,
- Beacon Park Rd (No. 186 to No. 200),
- Belair Villas,
- St Boniface Close and
- Vaughan Close.

Residents of Montpelier Road, Elphinstone Road and all road adjacent to these would remain in district KD and vote at Holy Family Church on Beacon Park Road.

Residents of Northdown Road, Parker Road, Lyndhurst Road, and all roads south of these would remain in district KC and vote at St Bartholomew on Outland Road.

District KD and KE – changes to district boundaries

The boundary between district KD and KE would move northwards to include more residents into districts KE. The new boundary would now run along the west side of West Park Road. Residents of Limetree Road and Chestnut Road would now join district KE and vote at the Trinity United Reformed Church on Torr Lane.

Montpelier Primary School in district KC - Replacement of polling station

The last elections brought about comments regarding the continued suitability of this polling station due to the limited size of the polling room and the impact of the poll on the running of the school.

This report proposes to move the polling station to St Bartholomew on Outland Road in the south of the district. St Bartholomew is located 0.5 miles away from the current polling station. Although this proposed polling station is not central to the district, it is very accessible by car, on foot and by public transport. The venue provides good facilities and a car park.

Pennycross Methodist Church Hall in district KD - Replacement of polling station

The 2017 elections brought about a comment about the poor accessibility of this polling station, due to its location in a narrow cul-de-sac, and the shortage of amenities for elections staff.

This reports proposes to move the polling station to Holy Family Roman Catholic Church on Beacon Park Road in the north of the district. Holy Family Church is located 0.2 miles away from the current polling station on a main road. Although this proposed polling station is out of the current district boundaries, it provides ramped access throughout and offers good facilities. A redrawing of the district boundaries will be necessary to ensure this station is central to the new district.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate ¹	Estimated Polling station electorate ²
KA	St. Gabriel The Archangel Church	Peverell Terrace, PL3 4JJ	2,515	2,058
KB	St. Edwards Church Hall	Home Park Avenue, PL3 4PG	2,370	1,942
KC	St Bartholomew Church	Outland Road, PL2 3BZ	1,688	1,291
KD	Holy Family Catholic Church	Beacon Park Road, PL2 3JR	2,507	2,100
KE	Trinity United Reformed Church Hall	Torr Lane, PL3 5NY	1,313	1,065

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

PLYMPTON CHADDLEWOOD WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate ¹	Recommendations
QA	Chaddlewood Primary School	874	Merger with district QB or redrawing of boundaries
QB	Glen Park Primary School	2,727	Merger with district QA or redrawing of boundaries
QC	Chaddlewood Farm Community Centre	2,472	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Recommendations
QA	Chaddlewood Primary School	715	Yes	Removal or No change
QB	Glen Park Primary School	2,168	Yes	No change
QC	Chaddlewood Farm Community Centre	2,091	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

Recommendations

Two options have been identified with regards to district QA and QB.

Option 1 – Redrawing of the boundaries between district QA and QB

The number of polling station electors in district QB is currently 2,168, which is higher than the recommended number of electors by district. It is adjacent to district QA which is smaller than the recommended size of electorate per district.

A change of district boundaries between district QA and QB is proposed in order to balance the electorate across both wards. Both existing polling stations would be retained.

The new boundary between district QA and QB would move eastwards and run along Hillcrest Drive.

Residents of the following streets would move to district QA and vote at Chaddlewood Primary School:

- Hillcrest Close,
- Kenmare Drive,
- Chelmer Close,
- Beauy Close,
- Deveron Close,
- Wensum Close,
- Wain Park,

- Grange Road,
- Manor Park Road and
- Chaddlewood Close.

Option 2 - Merger of districts QA and QB

The merger of district QA and QB and the relocation of the polling station to Glen Park Primary school are proposed. Although the resulting district would become very large, the merger has the benefit of reducing the number of schools being used as polling stations. However, this new district would be larger than the maximum number of electors recommended by the electoral commission.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

Option 1 – Change of district boundaries between district QA and QB

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate ¹	Estimated Polling station electorate ²
QA	Chaddlewood Primary School	Hemerdon Heights, PL7 2EU	1,519	1,194
QB	Glen Park Primary School	Glen Road, PL7 2DE	2,069	1,679
QC	Chaddlewood Farm Community Centre	Chaddlewood Centre, PL7 2XS	2,472	2,091

Option 2 – Merger of district QA and QB

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate ¹	Estimated Polling station electorate ²
QA	Glen Park Primary School	Glen Road, PL7 2DE	3,601	2,883
QB	Chaddlewood Farm Community Centre	Chaddlewood Centre, PL7 2XS	2,472	2,091

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

PLYMPTON ERLE WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate ¹	Recommendations
SA	St. Mary's C of E Infants School	1,379	Merger with district SB
SB	Mobile Unit at Merafield Road	1,026	Merger with district SA
SC	Rees Youth & Community Centre	851	No change
SD	Longcause Community School	1,512	No change
SE	Yealmpstone Farm Primary School	2,019	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Recommendations
SA	St. Mary's C of E Infants School	1,153	Yes	Replacement
SB	Mobile Unit at Merafield Road	838	Yes ³	Removal
SC	Rees Youth & Community Centre	701	Yes	No change
SD	Longcause Community School	1,177	Yes	Replacement
SE	Yealmpstone Farm Primary School	1,652	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

³ Although mobile polling stations are suitably equipped to enable access for all voters (ramps and handrails for disabled access) there are still ongoing concerns due to inherent characteristics of mobile units, such as their narrow entrance and limited internal area.

Recommendations**St Mary's C of E Infant School in district SA – Replacement of polling station**

The last elections brought about concerns regarding the closing of the school on polling day. St Mary's Church Hall is being put forward as an alternative to this polling station. St Mary's Church Hall is located immediately next to the school. Amenities are very good, and include good car parking facilities.

District SA and SB – Merger of the districts

In order, whenever possible, to reduce the number of mobile polling stations, a merger of district SA and district SB is suggested. There is a possibility of creating a large district served by a polling station at St Mary's Church Hall, which is a well-appointed polling station.

Residents of the following streets would now join district SA and vote at St Mary's Church Hall on Market Road:

- Merafield Road,
- Grantham Close,
- Woodland Drive,
- Amados Close,

- Merafield Drive and
- Amados Drive.

The mobile unit at Merafield Road in district SA would be decommissioned as a result of the merger.

Longcause Community School in district SD – Replacement of polling station

The last elections brought about a representation from the management of the school regarding the continued suitability of the schools' main hall for use as a polling station. Concerns were raised about the impact of the poll on the running of the school and the wellbeing of its pupils.

The creation of a new polling station in alternative location within the district is proposed. Alternative locations are being investigated for this purpose and The Brook Inn has been put forward. This venue is located 0.2 miles away from the school and offers a car park with disabled spaces, and a convenient function room which would need to be ramped on polling day to enable access to disabled residents.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate¹	Estimated Polling station electorate²
SA	St Mary's Church Hall	Market Road, PL7 IQW	2,405	1,991
SB	Rees Youth and Community Centre	Mudge Way, PL7 2PS	851	701
SC	The Brook Inn	Longbrook Street, PL7 1 NJ	1,512	1,177
SD	Yealmpstone Farm Primary School	Meadowfield Place, PL7 IXQ	2,019	1,652

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

PLYMPTON ST MARY WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling place	Electorate¹	Recommendations
RA	Woodford Methodist Church	2,200	No change
RB	St. Peters Lutheran Church	1,721	No change
RC	Boringdon Primary School	2,300	No change
RD	Colebrook Community Centre	1,868	No change
RE	Plympton Fire Station	2,059	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling place	Polling station electorate²	Disabled access	Recommendations
RA	Woodford Methodist Church	1,755	Yes	No change
RB	St. Peters Lutheran Church	1,374	Yes	No change
RC	Boringdon Primary School	1,821	Yes	No change
RD	Colebrook Community Centre	1,518	Yes	No change
RE	Plympton Fire Station	1,653	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

No changes of polling districts or polling stations are proposed in this ward.

PLYMSTOCK DUNSTONE WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling station	Electorate¹	Recommendations
UA	Mobile Unit at Holmwood Avenue	1,112	Merger with district UB
UB	Staddiscombe Club Function Room	1,687	Merger with district UA
UC	Goosewell Primary School	1,949	No change
UD	Elburton Methodist Church	2,220	No change
UE	Morley Youth & Community Centre	1,647	No change
UF	St. Matthews Church	1,177	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling station	Polling station electorate²	Disabled access	Recommendations
UA	Mobile Unit at Holmwood Avenue	933	Yes ³	Decommissioning
UB	Staddiscombe Club Function Room	1,449	Yes – temporary ramp	No change
UC	Goosewell Primary School	1,459	Yes	No change
UD	Elburton Methodist Church	1,706	Yes	No change
UE	Morley Youth & Community Centre	1,302	Yes	No change
UF	St. Matthews Church	942	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

³ Although mobile polling stations are suitably equipped to enable access for all voters (ramps and handrails for disabled access) there are still ongoing concerns due to inherent characteristics of mobile units, such as their narrow entrance and limited internal area.

Recommendations

District UA and UB – Merger of the districts

The residents on Holmwood Avenue currently have access to a mobile polling station. One of the criteria for the review was to explore, whenever possible, the possibility to reduce the number of mobile polling stations. Therefore, the merger of district UA and UB and the relocation of the polling station to the Staddiscombe Club on Staddiscombe Road are proposed. This would result in the creation of a large ward, served by a double polling station at the Staddiscombe Club Function Room.

Residents of the following streets would now vote at the Staddiscombe Club Function Room:

- Paddock Close
- Great Orchard Close
- Southgate Avenue
- Southgate Close
- Basinghall Close
- Tudor Close
- Holmwood Avenue
- Hurst Close
- Arnison Close
- Budleigh Close and
- Marlow Gardens
- Cophorn Gardens
- Goosewell Road
- Goswela Gardens
- Long Park Close
- Gowela Close

The Staddiscombe Club is already the polling stations for district UB. There is capacity at the club to cater for the needs of this enlarged ward, with spacious parking facilities and existing arrangements to improve access for people with reduced mobility. There are existing public transport connections to this polling station from both district UA and district UB. Paddock Close, which is the furthest away from the proposed polling station, is a 0.7 miles walking distance away from the Staddiscombe Club.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate¹	Estimated Polling station electorate²
UA	Staddiscombe Club Function Room	Staddiscombe Road, PL9 9LT	2,799	2,382
UB	St. Matthews Church	Sherford Road, PL9 8DQ	1,177	942
UC	Goosewell Primary School	Furzehatt Villas, PL9 9HD	1,949	1,459
UD	Elburton Methodist Church	Springfield Road, PL9 8PR	2,220	1,706
UE	Morley Youth & Community Centre	Off Stentaway Drive, PL9 8TU	1,647	1,302

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

PLYMSTOCK RADFORD WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district reference	Polling place	Electorate ¹	Recommendations
TA	Oreston Methodist Church	1,543	Change of district boundaries
TB	Hooe Baptist Church	3,761	Change of district boundaries
TC	Goosewell Primary School	1,120	Change of district boundaries
TD	Plymstock Sports Pavilion	2,305	Change of district boundaries
TE	Pomphlett Methodist Church Hall	2,072	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district reference	Polling place	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Recommendations
TA	Oreston Methodist Church	1,256	Yes	No change
TB	Hooe Baptist Church	3,002	Yes	No change
TC	Goosewell Primary School	889	Yes - temporary ramp	Replacement
TD	Plymstock Sports Pavilion	1,792	Yes - temporary ramp	No change
TE	Pomphlett Methodist Church Hall	1,775	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

Recommendations**District TB and TC – change of boundaries between districts**

The number of polling station electors in district TB is currently 3,002, which is higher than the recommended 2,000 electors by district. It is adjacent to district TC which is smaller than the recommended size of electorate per district.

A change of district boundaries between district TB and TC is proposed in order to balance the electorate across both wards, and facilitate access to a polling station to the greatest number of residents. An alternative polling stations in Radford Park is proposed for the new district TC.

The east of district TB would now be combined with district TC. The following streets would now be included into district TC:

- Homer Park,
- Homer Park Lane,
- Furland Close,
- Broom Park,
- Westcombe Crescent,
- Reddicliff Road,

- Reddicliff Close,
- Rowland Close,
- Barnwood Close,
- White Lady Road,
- Badger View and
- Mitchell Close.

The Beckly Centre near Radford Park is proposed as the new polling station for district TC, as a replacement to Goosewell Primary School.

Districts TD and TA – change of boundaries between districts

In order to even out the electorate between ward TD and TA and improve accessibility to residents some changes of boundary are proposed. Residents of the following streets could join district TA and now vote at Oreston Methodist Church instead of the Plymstock Sports Pavillion:

- Dean Park Road,
- Quarry Park Road and
- Quarry Park Avenue.

District TC and TD – change of boundaries between districts

To improve accessibility to residents, moving the boundary between the north of district TC and the south of district TD is proposed.

Residents on both sides of Burrow Hill would move from TC to TD and now vote at the Plymstock Sports Pavillion.

Cobb Lane, and the portion of Furzehatt Road parallel to it would be removed from district TC and included to district TD. Residents of Cobb Lane and this short stretch of Furzehatt Road would now vote at the Plymstock Sports Pavillion.

Goosewell Primary School in district TC – replacement of polling station

The last election brought about some comments from members of the public about the suitability of using this school to hold elections. Goosewell Primary School currently hosts a double polling station, which is inconvenient and confusing for electors. In addition, this polling station is currently out of the boundaries of this ward, which should be avoided unless in extreme circumstances.

The Beckly Centre near Radford Park is proposed as the new polling station for district TC, as a replacement to the school. This change is subject to the changes of district boundaries being approved.

The Beckly Centre is location near the junction between Hooe Road and White Lady Road. Although this is not a central location, this is accessible to all residents of the new district. There are car parking facilities near the centre. There are existing public transport connections to this polling station from across district TC. The west side of Staddon Park Road, which is the furthest away from the proposed polling station, is a 0.7 miles walking distance away from the Beckly Centre.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate¹	Estimated Polling station electorate²
TA	Oreston Methodist Church	Plymstock Road, PL9 7LL	1,659	1,340
TB	Hooe Baptist Church	Hooe Road, PL9 9RS	2,897	2,337
TC	The Beckly Centre	Mayers Way, PL9 9DF	1,878	1,460
TD	Plymstock Sports Pavilion	Dean Cross Road, PL9 7AZ	2,234	1,725
TE	Pomphlett Methodist Church Hall	Pomphlett Road, PL9 7BL	2,065	1,762

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

SOUTHWAY WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate¹	Recommendations
FA	Mary Dean Primary School	679	Merger with district FA
FAB	Mary Dean Primary School	992	Merger with district FAB
FB	Mobile Unit at Dunnet Road	1,317	No change
FC	Southway Youth Centre	1,165	No change
FD	Beechwood Primary School	1,380	No change
FE	Widewell Primary School	1,451	Changes to boundaries with district FF
FF	Church of the Holy Spirit	2,187	Changes to boundaries with district FE
FG	Mobile Unit at Hessary Drive ³	808	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling station electorate²	Disabled access	Recommendations
FA	Mary Dean Primary School	522	Yes – temporary ramp	No change
FAB	Mary Dean Primary School	766	Yes – temporary ramp	No change
FB	Mobile Unit at Dunnet Road	1,005	Yes ³	No change
FC	Southway Youth Centre	968	Yes	No change
FD	Beechwood Primary School	1,074	Yes	No change
FE	Widewell Primary School	1,155	Yes	No change
FF	Church of the Holy Spirit	1,727	Yes	No change
FG	Mobile Unit at Hessary Drive	683	Yes ³	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

³ Although mobile polling stations are suitably equipped to enable access for all voters (ramps and handrails for disabled access) there are still ongoing concerns due to inherent characteristics of mobile units, such as their narrow entrance and limited internal area.

Recommendations

This review investigates opportunities to remove mobile polling stations whenever circumstances allow. However, this must be balanced against the necessity to provide accessible and convenient polling stations that meet the specific needs of each ward.

Mobile Unit at Dunnet Road in district FB – no change

In this instance, no suitable alternative could be identified. The area is residential only, with no suitable alternative polling station. Residential development are taking place in the district on the site of the old Oakwood primary school, and the number of electors is anticipated to grow. The review therefore does not recommend a change unless suitable alternative polling arrangements are put forward during the consultation.

Mobile Unit at Hessary Drive – FG – no change

District FG is the smallest in the ward with 808 electors, but it is also geographically isolated from the rest of the ward, due to the topography of the area. The only access to the area is via a dual carriage way, and there are few practicable walkways to connect this north-eastern district to others. It is therefore not practicable to suggest a merger with a neighbouring district. No suitable alternative polling stations were identified in the area or its vicinity. The review therefore does not recommend a change unless suitable alternative polling arrangements are put forward during the consultation.

Districts FA and FAB - Merger of the two districts

The number of electors in each district is currently lower than the numbers recommended by good practice. Residents from both districts vote at the same polling station at Mary Dean Primary School.

Recommendation: Merge district FA and FAB. Merge the two polling stations into one at Mary Dean Primary School.

District FF and District FE – Changes to district boundaries

District FF is the largest district in the ward, and its electorate is anticipated to grow in the next five years. It is adjacent to district FE which has a much smaller electorate. In addition, electors in the east and south east of district FF may have equivalent, or better access to the polling station for district FE, Widewell Primary School.

Redrawing the district boundaries between district FF and district FE will ensure that the electorate is more evenly distributed across both districts. This will create capacity in district FF to sustain growth in the next five years.

The review proposes changes to the district boundary between FF and FE. Other boundaries will not be affected.

The district boundary along the south-east of Southway Drive would be moved. The south-east and east portion of the current district FF could merge with district FE. The south-east boundary of district FF would now run along the watercourse at the back of Barningham Gardens.

Residents of the following streets, known as Birdcage Farm, would now vote at Widewell Primary School:

- Barningham Gardens,
- Corsham Close,
- Davenham Close,
- Barndale Crescent and all streets adjacent to Barndale Crescent.

Residents of the west side of Tavistock Road, up to Widewell Lane, including residents of Boundary Place will now join district FE and vote at Widewell Primary School.

Residents of Frewin Gardens and Butler Close would remain in district FF and continue to vote at the Church of the Holy Spirit.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate¹	Estimated Polling station electorate²
FA	Mary Dean Primary School	Mary Dean Avenue, PL5 4LS	1,671	1,288
FB	Mobile Unit at Dunnet Road	Near junction with Tamerton Foliot Road, PL6 6LR	1,317	1,005
FC	Southway Youth Centre	Hendwell Close, PL6 6TB	1,165	968
FD	Beechwood Primary School	Rockfield Avenue, PL6 6DX	1,380	1,074
FE	Widewell Primary School	Lulworth Drive, PL6 7ER	2,154	1,676
FF	Church of the Holy Spirit	Clifford Road, PL6 6DJ	1,479	1,192
FG	Mobile Unit at Hessary Drive	Hessary Drive, PL6 7DG	808	683

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

ST BUDEAUX WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate¹	Recommendations
CA	Tamar View Community Resource Centre	1,901	No change
CB	The Barn, Kit Hill Crescent	1,605	No change
CC	St. Boniface Church Hall	1,913	No change
CD	Plaistow Hill Infant and Nursery School	830	Merger of district CD and CE
CE	Kings Tamerton Community Centre	2,009	Merger of district CD and CE
CF	St. Pauls Church Hall - St Budeaux	1,589	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling Station Electorate²	Disabled Access	Recommendations
CA	Tamar View Community Resource Centre	1,703	Yes - Ramped	No change
CB	The Barn, Kit Hill Crescent	1,249	Yes	No change
CC	St. Boniface Church Hall	1,588	Yes	Replacement
CD	Plaistow Hill Infant and Nursery School	644	Yes	Replacement or no change
CE	Kings Tamerton Community Centre	1,595	Yes - ramped	No change
CF	St. Pauls Church Hall - St Budeaux	1,286	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

Recommendations

Districts CD and CE

Two options have been identified with regards to district CD and CE.

Option 1 – No change

Although district CD is smaller than others in the ward, the topography of the district has been a decisive factor in the design of this district. The school is the only suitable location in this district.

Plaistow Hill Primary School provides an accessible polling station to residents in the north of the ward at the top of a steep hill. The school provides good access to residents with reduced mobility, and car parking facilities.

Option 2 - Merger of districts CD and CE

The number of polling station electors in district CE is currently 2,009 which makes it the largest in the ward. It is adjacent to district QA which is smaller than the recommended size of electorate per district.

District CD is substantially smaller than other districts in the ward. To remove the need to use Plaistow Hill infant school as a polling station, the merger of district CD with district CE is proposed. The proposed new district would grow to a size of 2839 electors, which is larger than the maximum number of electors recommended by the electoral commission.

St Boniface Church Hall in district CC - Replacement of polling station

The 2017 elections brought about a comment about the poor accessibility of this polling station, due to its location at the bottom of a very steep hill, thus preventing access for residents with mobility issues.

The replacement of St Boniface Church Hall is proposed. Alternative locations in the ward are being investigated. We would welcome suggestions from residents as to suitable alternative polling stations.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

Option 1 No change of district boundaries

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate ¹	Estimated Polling station electorate ²
CA	Tamar View Community Resource Centre	Poole Park Road, PL5 IDD	1,901	1,703
CB	The Barn, Kit Hill Crescent	Barne Barton, PL5 IEJ	1,605	1,249
CC	Alternative Polling Stations are being investigated as replacement for St Boniface Church Hall		1,913	1,588
CD	Plaistow Hill Infant and Nursery School	Roman Way, PL5 2DT	830	644

CE	Kings Tamerton Community Centre	Trevithick Road, PL5 2BH	2,009	1,595
CF	St. Pauls Church Hall - St Budeaux	Pemros Road, PL5 1NE	1,589	1,286

Option 2 Merger of districts CD and CE

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate ¹	Estimated Polling station electorate ²
CA	Tamar View Community Resource Centre	Poole Park Road, PL5 1DD	1,901	1,703
CB	The Barn, Kit Hill Crescent	Barne Barton, PL5 1EJ	1,605	1,249
CC	Alternative Polling Stations are being investigated as replacement for St Boniface Church Hall		1,913	1,588
CD	St. Pauls Church Hall	Pemros Road, PL5 1NE	1,589	1,286
CE	Kings Tamerton Community Centre	Trevithick Road, PL5 2BH	2,839	2,239

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

ST PETER AND THE WATERFRONT WARD**Existing Polling districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate¹	Recommendations
NA	St. Jude's Church Hall	656	Change of boundaries with district NB
NB	The Burgess Hall	2,408	Change of boundaries with district NA
NC	St. Andrew's C of E Primary School	1,662	Change of boundaries with district NG
ND	St. Paul's Church Hall	1,008	No change
NE	High Street Primary Academy	1,736	No change
NF	Howesons in St. Peter's Church	1,284	Merger with district NG
NG	Frederick Street Centre	1,041	Merger with district NF
NH	Pilgrim Primary School	1,347	Change of boundaries with district NB

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling station electorate²	Disabled access	Recommendations
NA	St. Jude's Church Hall	554	Yes	Replacement
NB	The Burgess Hall	1,931	Yes	No change
NC	St. Andrew's C of E Primary School	1,293	Yes	No change
ND	St. Paul's Church Hall	800	Yes	No change
NE	High Street Primary Academy	1,425	Yes	Replacement
NF	Howesons in St. Peter's Church	1,095	Yes	No change
NG	Frederick Street Centre	822	Yes	Decommissioning
NH	Pilgrim Primary School	1,157	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

Recommendations**District NA and NB – Change of district boundaries****St Jude's Church Hall – Replacement of Polling Station**

The polling station at St Jude's Church Hall is outside of ward boundaries, which is a situation that must be avoided unless in extreme circumstances. Currently, the polling station caters for a small number of electors. Suitable alternative are being investigated in the new district. We welcome suggestions from residents for alternative polling stations in the new district.

The district is very small, and is adjacent to one much larger. In order to balance the number of electors between the two districts, and to cater for a likely increase of population in both wards, a change of district boundaries is proposed.

The current district NA would merge with the north of district NB. A new polling station in the current district NB would need to be identified and secured, but this part of the district presents many opportunities to identify an accessible polling station.

The new boundaries of an enlarged district NA would run along Exeter Street and Royal Parade to the south. The boundary to the west of the new district NA would run along western approach, Market Avenue and Raleigh Street. The north boundary would follow Cobourg Street, Regent Street and Tothill Avenue. The eastern boundary would follow St Jude's Road.

Residents of the following streets would now join district NA and vote at a location yet to be identified in the new district:

- Courtenay Street,
- New George Street,
- Cornwall Street,
- Mayflower Street and
- Old Town Street.

High Street Primary Academy – district NE – Replacement of Polling Station

In order to minimise, wherever possible, the use of schools during elections, a change of polling station is proposed. The new proposed polling station would now be the Millfield Trust's HQ Business Centre on Union Street. The Millfield Trust's HQ Building is conveniently located on a main road, with excellent public transport link, and a car park with disabled spaces. The proposed polling station would be located on the first floor of the building. A lift is available for residents with restricted mobility. This venue is central to the district, located less than 0.3 miles away from the current polling station.

District NG and NH - Change of district boundaries

To facilitate access to a polling station to residents on the south eastern side of Western Approach, a change of district boundaries is proposed. Residents of the following streets would now join the current district NH and vote at Pilgrim Primary School:

- Colin Campbell Court,
- Morley Court
- Harwell Court and
- any residents in the flats adjacent to the Colin Campbell Court car park.

District NG and NC – Change of district boundaries

To facilitate access to a polling station to residents on the south side of Union Street, a change of district boundaries is proposed between district NG and NC. Residents of the following streets would now join district NC and vote at St Andrews C of E Primary School:

- Martin Street,
- the east of Sawrey Street,
- Bath Lane,
- Bath Place and
- the east of Millbay Road.

District NG and NF – Merger of the two districts

In order to minimise the number of polling stations, the merger of district NG and NF are recommended. The polling station for current district NF, Howesons in St Peter's Church would be retained as the polling station for this enlarged district.

The resulting district would now be referenced NF.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate ¹	Estimated Polling station electorate ²
NA	Alternative Polling Stations are being investigated as a replacement to St Jude's Church		703	598
NB	The Burgess Hall	Notte Street, PL1 2HG	2,349	1,877
NC	St. Andrews C of E Primary School	Citadel Road, PL1 3AY	1,657	1,287
ND	St. Pauls Church Hall	Durnford Street, PL1 3QW	1,008	800
NE	The Millfield Trust HQ Business Centre	Union Street, PL1 3HQ	1,736	1,425
NF	Howesons in St. Peters Church	Wyndham Square, PL1 5EG	2,133	1,795
NG	Pilgrim Primary School	Oxford Street, PL1 5BQ	1,530	1,261

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

STOKE WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling station	Electorate¹	Recommendations
JA	St. Barnabas Church	2,691	No change
JB	Stoke Damerel Centre	1,835	No change
JC	Stoke Methodist Church	1,499	No change
JD	Pilgrim United Reformed Church	2,808	No change
JE	St. Marks Church	1,213	No change

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling station	Polling Station Electorate²	Disabled Access	Recommendations
JA	St. Barnabas Church	2,185	Yes	No change
JB	Stoke Damerel Centre	1,477	Yes	No change
JC	Stoke Methodist Church	1,221	Yes	No change
JD	Pilgrim United Reformed Church	2,330	Yes	No change
JE	St. Marks Church	1,042	Yes	No change

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

No changes of polling district or polling stations are proposed in this ward.

SUTTON AND MOUNT GOULD WARD**Existing Polling Districts**

Polling district	Polling Station	Electorate ¹	Recommendations
OA	Mount Gould Methodist Church	1,505	No change
OB	Salisbury Road Primary School	1,488	No change
OC	Salisbury Road Baptist Church Hall	1,482	No change
OD	Tothill Community Centre	1,268	No change
OE	Plymouth & District Table Tennis League HQ	1,067	Merger with district OF
OF	Prince Rock Primary School	1,722	Merger with district OE
OG	Tresillian Street Centre	852	Merger with district OH
OH	Tresillian Street Centre	371	Merger with district OG

Existing Polling Stations

Polling district	Polling Station	Polling station electorate ²	Disabled access	Recommendations
OA	Mount Gould Methodist Church	1,316	Yes	No change
OB	Salisbury Road Primary School	1,313	Yes	No change
OC	Salisbury Road Baptist Church Hall	1,291	Yes	No change
OD	Tothill Community Centre	1,047	Yes	No change
OE	Plymouth & District Table Tennis League HQ	942	Yes*	Replacement
OF	Prince Rock Primary School	1,414	Yes	No change
OG	Tresillian Street Centre	726	Yes	No change
OH	Tresillian Street Centre	258	Yes	No change

* Although this polling stations is equipped to enable access for all voters a recent inspection visit brought about a concern regarding the accessibility of this polling station to electors with disabilities.

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.

Recommendations**Districts OG and OH – merger of the districts**

District OG and OH are small adjacent districts which both use the **Tresillian Street Centre** as a polling place, following the closure of the previous polling station in district OH in 2017. There is a possibility to merge district OG and OH and to retain the Tresillian street centre as the polling station for this district.

In order to facilitate access to this polling station, a redrawing of the boundaries of this district is proposed. The new boundary for district OG would now follow Gdynia Way and the Laira Bridge Road. Residents south of these streets would now vote at the Tresillian Street Centre.

Districts OE and OF – merger of the districts

A recent inspection visit brought about a concern regarding the accessibility of the **Plymouth & District Table Tennis League HQ** to electors with disabilities. A suitable alternative polling station could not be identified in this district. There is a possibility to merge district OE and OF and to continue using Prince Rock Primary School as a double polling station for an enlarged district. Prince Rock Primary School is already a polling station for district OF. It would be conveniently located in the centre of the proposed new district with good public transport links.

Summary of proposed new Polling Districts and Polling Stations

New Polling district	New Polling Station	Address	Estimated Electorate¹	Estimated Polling station electorate²
OA	Mount Gould Methodist Church	Faringdon Road, PL4 7NW	1,505	1,316
OB	Salisbury Road Primary School	Salisbury Road, PL4 8QZ	1,488	1,313
OC	Salisbury Road Baptist Church Hall	Rosebery Avenue, PL4 8SX	1,482	1,291
OD	Tothill Community Centre	Knighton Road, PL4 9DA	1,268	1,047
OE	Prince Rock Primary School	Embankment Road, PL4 9JF	2,789	2,356
OF	Tresillian Street Centre	Tresillian Street, PL4 0QP	1,223	984

¹ Total number of registered electors in the district.

² Number of registered electors in the district who have opted to vote at a polling station.