SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW OF THE PARISHES OF ALBRIGHTON, DONINGTON & BOSCOBEL

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PARISH AND PARISH COUNCILS) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2008

FINAL PROPOSALS

1. <u>Introduction</u>

- 1.1 Shropshire Council has resolved to undertake a Community Governance Review of the Parishes of Albrighton, Boscobel and Donington. The area to be included in the review is the whole of the Parishes of Albrighton, Boscobel and Donington.
- 1.2 The Council gave public notice of a Community Governance Review and published the Terms of Reference for the review of the Parishes of Albrighton, Boscobel and Donington in December 2023. Copies of the Terms of Reference were sent by e-mail to the Parish Councils and to other stakeholders in the area. Information on the effect of the review was also available for inspection at the Council's offices at Shirehall, Shrewsbury and on the Council's website.
- 1.3 The Terms of Reference were intended to prompt local consideration and initiate discussion in order that the Council could take account of local feeling when preparing its Draft Proposal Document. All concerned were invited to submit their comments in writing by 26 January 2024.
- 1.4 The Council published its Draft Proposals on 21 March 2024 and gave the same level of publicity as had been given when the Terms of Reference had been published.

1.5 Comments in support of the proposed creation of 1 parish have been received from a combined group representing Albrighton and Donington with Boscobel Parish Councils. Representations have also been received from residents.

2. **Proposed Changes to the Electoral Arrangements**

- 2.1 It is proposed that the Parishes of Albrighton, Boscobel and Donington be merged to form a single parish, known as the Parish of Albrighton and Donington, represented by a single Parish Council.
- 2.2 It is proposed that the Parish of Albrighton and Donington have three wards Albrighton East (with 5 Councillors), coloured blue on Plan A, attached; Albrighton West ward (with 6 Councillors), coloured red on Plan A, attached; and Donington and Boscobel ward (with 4 Councillors), coloured green on Plan A attached.

3. What Happens Next

3.1 A revised timetable for this review was outlined in the draft proposals document published on 21 March 2024 as follows:-

Stage	What Happens?	<u>Timescales</u>
	Final Recommendations are published – concluding review	10 July 2024
	Council resolves to make Reorganisation Order	18 July 2024

4.0 **Summary of Draft Recommendations**

4.1 In order to promote effective and convenient community governance for the area, avoid potential confusion and in order to accurately reflect the identities and interests of the local community, the Shropshire Council Community

Governance Review Working Party considers that the parishes of Albrighton, Boscobel and Donington should be merged to form a single parish with a Parish Council separated into 3 wards).

4.2 There will now be a short period after the final proposals are published before the Council approves the recommendations. This will allow further time for any final submissions and/or arguments to be made covering matters which did not arise during earlier stages of the Review.

5. How to contact us

5.1 Comments should be submitted to the Democratic Services Section of Shropshire Council by e-mail at communitygovernance@shropshire.gov.uk.

Alternatively, you can contact us at the following address:

Democratic and Electoral Services
Shropshire Council
The Shirehall
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Shrewsbury
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Should you require any further information or need clarification on the review process, please the above contact details.