

# **SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW OF THE PARISHES OF SHREWSBURY AND ADJOINING PARISHES**

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2007**

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

#### **FINAL PROPOSALS**

##### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 Shropshire Council has resolved to undertake a Community Governance Review of the Parishes of Shrewsbury and adjoining Parishes. The area to be included in the review is the whole of the Parishes of Shrewsbury and adjoining Parishes.
- 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 Shrewsbury and adjoining Parishes 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 have been received from Bicton Parish Council in support of the proposed changes

1.6. Representations have also been received from local residents.

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

2.1 It is proposed that the boundary of the Parish of Shrewsbury be amended as follows:

2.1.1 the Bicton Urban ward (hatched and coloured yellow on Plan A attached) of Bicton Parish be moved into the Bowbrook ward of the Shrewsbury Parish;

2.1.2 the Upper Edgebold ward (hatched and marked in green on Plan A attached) of Great Hanwood Parish be moved into the Radbrook ward of the Shrewsbury Parish;

2.1.3 the Hendrick Crescent ward (hatched and marked in red on Plan A attached) of Atcham Parish be moved into the Sutton and Reabrook ward of the Shrewsbury Parish ;

2.1.4 the area of land north of the A5 (Hatched blue and marked in red on Plan A attached) currently in the Berrington Parish be moved into the Sutton and Reabrook ward of the Shrewsbury Parish;

2.1.5 the Pimley Manor ward (hatched and marked in blue on Plan A attached) of Uffington Parish be moved into the Sundorne ward of the Shrewsbury Parish;

2.2 It is further proposed that the names of the following wards of the Parish of Shrewsbury be amended to match the Shropshire Council electoral divisions:

2.2.1 the Bowbrook ward be renamed Bicton Heath

2.2.2 the Sutton and Reabrook ward be renamed Oteley and Reabrook

2.2.3 the Sundorne ward be renamed Sundorne and Old Heath

2.3 It is proposed that the boundary between the Severn Valley and Oteley and Reabrook divisions be amended as follows:

2.3.1 the area of land north of the A5 (hatched blue and marked in red on Plan A attached) currently in the Severn Valley division be moved into the Oteley and Reabrook division.

2.4 No further changes to current governance arrangements are proposed.

### 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:-

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

### 4.0 **Summary of Final 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 following amendments to Parish Council boundaries are appropriate:

4.1.1 the Bicton Urban ward (hatched and coloured yellow on Plan A attached) of Bicton Parish be moved into the Bowbrook ward of the Shrewsbury Parish;

4.1.2 the Upper Edgebold ward (hatched and marked in green on Plan A attached) of Great Hanwood Parish be moved into the Radbrook ward of the Shrewsbury Parish;

4.1.3 the Hendrick Crescent ward (hatched and marked in red on Plan A attached) of Atcham Parish be moved into the Sutton and Reabrook ward of the Shrewsbury Parish ;

4.1.4 the area of land north of the A5 (Hatched blue and marked in red on Plan A attached) currently in the Berrington Parish be moved into the Sutton and Reabrook ward of the Shrewsbury Parish and be moved from the Severn Valley Division to the Oteley and Reabrook division;

- 4.1.5 the Pimley Manor ward (hatched and marked in blue on Plan A attached) of Uffington Parish be moved into the Sundorne ward of the Shrewsbury Parish
- 4.2 It is further proposed that the names of the following wards of the Parish of Shrewsbury be amended to match the Shropshire Council electoral divisions:
- 4.2.1 the Bowbrook ward be renamed Bicton Heath
- 4.2.2 the Sutton and Reabrook ward be renamed Oteley and Reabrook
- 4.2.3 the Sundorne ward be renamed Sundorne and Old Heath
- 4.3 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](mailto:communitygovernance@shropshire.gov.uk). Alternatively, you can contact us at the following address:

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Should you require any further information or need clarification on the review process, please the above contact details.