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## Cherwell District Council

### Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA, on 27 January 2015 at 6.30 pm

Present: Councillor Alastair Milne Home (Chairman)  
Councillor Melanie Magee (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Ken Atack  
Councillor Andrew Beere  
Councillor Claire Bell  
Councillor Maurice Billington  
Councillor Norman Bolster  
Councillor Mark Cherry  
Councillor Colin Clarke  
Councillor Surinder Dhesi  
Councillor John Donaldson  
Councillor Diana Edwards  
Councillor Michael Gibbard  
Councillor Simon Holland  
Councillor Chris Heath  
Councillor David Hughes  
Councillor Russell Hurle  
Councillor Tony Ilott  
Councillor Ray Jelf  
Councillor Mike Kerford-Byrnes  
Councillor James Macnamara  
Councillor Nicholas Mawer  
Councillor Nigel Morris  
Councillor D M Pickford  
Councillor Lynn Pratt  
Councillor Nigel Randall  
Councillor G A Reynolds  
Councillor Alaric Rose  
Councillor Dan Sames  
Councillor Les Sibley  
Councillor Trevor Stevens  
Councillor Lawrie Stratford  
Councillor Lynda Thirzie Smart  
Councillor Bryn Williams  
Councillor Douglas Williamson  
Councillor Barry Wood  
Councillor Sean Woodcock

Apologies  
for  
absence: Councillor Fred Blackwell  
Councillor Ann Bonner  
Councillor Andrew Fulljames  
Councillor Carmen Griffiths  
Councillor Timothy Hallchurch MBE

Councillor Matt Johnstone  
Councillor Kieron Mallon  
Councillor Jon O'Neill  
Councillor Neil Prestidge  
Councillor Barry Richards  
Councillor Rose Stratford  
Councillor Nicholas Turner  
Councillor Douglas Webb

Officers: Sue Smith, Chief Executive  
Kevin Lane, Head of Law and Governance / Monitoring Officer  
James Doble, Democratic and Elections Manager

61 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

62 **Cherwell Boundary Review: Response to Local Government Boundary Commission for England Draft Recommendations**

The Chief Executive submitted a report to agree Cherwell District Council's response to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England's ("LGBCE" or "the Commission") draft recommendations of the further electoral review for Cherwell District Council.

In the course of debate many members from all political groups expressed strong concern regarding the effects of the proposals from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. Members did not feel the proposals reflected the geography of the district, community identity and did not improve the representational role of councillors, all of which were addressed in the original proposals put forward by the council. In particular there was concern expressed regarding the size of rural wards, the effect on the adverse impact on the town and parish wards of Banbury and Kidlington.

**Resolved**

- (1) That Cherwell District Council's response to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England's draft recommendations of the further electoral review for Cherwell District Council (annex to the minutes as set out in the minute book be agreed).
- (2) That the Chief Executive be delegated to make any necessary amendments to the council's response to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England's draft recommendations of the further electoral review for Cherwell District Council prior to submission in light of the resolutions of Council.

## **Polling District and Polling Places Review 2014**

The Returning Officer submitted a report to agree the recommendations from the Council's Polling District and Polling Place Review 2014

### **Resolved**

- (1) That the recommendations for Polling Districts and Polling Places within Cherwell (annex to the minutes as set out in the minute book be agreed.
- (2) That it be noted that a further polling place review will be undertaken following the conclusion of the Boundary Commission review.
- (3) That authority be delegated to the Returning Officer and Chief Executive to conduct and implement a review of polling places once the District Boundary Review has been completed in 2015.

The meeting ended at 7.05 pm

Chairman:

Date:

LGBCE Proposed Ward Name	Details	CDC Comments
<b>Banbury Wards</b>		
Banbury Calthorpe and Easington	The southern part of Banbury Town, including the residential areas on both side of Bloxham Road and Oxford Road	Whilst the Working Group didn't have any strong objections to the proposed District Wards for Banbury, they were very concerned about the proposed changes to the Town Council electoral arrangements and the 15 Town wards. They felt that the proposals contradicted the Commission's aim of community identity, as the lack of co-terminosity across district and Town Council boundaries would lead to confusion amongst electors.
Banbury Cross and Castle	Includes Banbury Town Centre, extends north to Oxford Canal, east to the railway line, south to junction of Bloxham Road and Queensway and west to the streets behind Woodgreen Leisure Centre	
Banbury Grimsbury and Hightown	Eastern part of the town. Bounded to the north and east by the district boundary. Western Boundary is the A4260 and the southern boundary runs behind properties on Hightown Leyes, Foscoate Rise and Meadow View	
Banbury Hardwick	The northern part of Banbury, including Hardwick, the Hanwell Fields estate and the new developments off Dukes Meadow Drive	
Banbury Ruscote	Ruscote and Neithrop residential areas, as far north as Warwick Road and extending South to Broughton Road. Extends west to the edge of Town and east to the back of Woodgreen Leisure Centre	

<b>Bicester Wards</b>		
Bicester East	Town Centre, as far south as Church Street/Casueway, and the residential areas north of the centre extending to the parish boundary with Launton.	The Working Group felt that the Southern boundary of the proposed district Ward should be moved further south, to follow the railway line down to where it meets the A41, then follow the A41 to the roundabout with the B4030. The railway line and the road act as a physical boundary, and the area of Bicester currently proposed to be in the Bicester South ward would be better suited to the Bicester East Ward, due to the detachment the positioning of the railway line and road creates.
Bicester North	Parish of Caversfield and residential areas either side of Banbury Road, stretching to the railway line in the South and Buckingham Road to the East	The Working Group had no specific comments regarding the proposal.
Bicester South	South of Bicester town centre, including Bicester village, Langford village, new development south of Middleton Stoney Road, and Ambrosden.	Please see comments against the proposed Bicester East Ward.
Bicester West	Residential area bounded by the railway line to the north, Queens Avenue/Field Street to east, Middleton Stoney Road to south and parish boundary with Bucknell to the west.	The Working Group had no specific comments regarding the proposal.
<b>Rural Wards</b>		
Adderbury, Bloxham and Bodicote	Adderbury, Bloxham, Bodicote and Milton	The Working Group had no specific comments regarding the proposal, other than to reiterate that they felt the CDC submission met the statutory criteria and was more

		appropriate to local community and geographical considerations, and would better enable effective democratic representation.
Cropredy, Sibfords and Wroxton	Parishes of Bourton, Broughton, Claydon with Clattercott, Cropredy, Drayton, Epwell, Hanwell, Horley, Hornton, Mollington, North Newington, Prescote, Shenington with Alkerton, Shutford, Sibford Ferris, Sibford Gower, Swalcliffe, Tadmarton, Wardington and Wroxton	The LGBCE draft recommendation is the same as the CDC submission. The working group therefore support the draft recommendation.
Deddington	Barford St John and St Michael, Deddington, Duns Tew, Hook Norton, Fritwell, Middle Aston, Milcombe, North Aston, Somerton, Souldern, South Newington, Steeple Aston and Wigginton	The Working Group had no specific comments regarding the proposal, other than to reiterate that they felt the CDC submission met the statutory criteria and was more appropriate to local community and geographical considerations, and would better enable effective democratic representation.
Fringford and Heyfords	Ardley with Fewcott, Bucknell, Cottisford, Finmere, Fringford, Godington, Hardwick with Tusmore, Hethe, Kirtlington, Lower Heyford, Middleton Stoney, Mixbury, Newton Purcell with Shelswell, Stoke Lyne, Stratton Audley and Upper Heyford	The Working Group had no specific comments regarding the proposal, other than to reiterate that they felt the CDC submission met the statutory criteria and was more appropriate to local community and geographical considerations, and would better enable effective democratic representation.
Kidlington East	North-west of Kidlington Town, as far south as the High Street, and the parish of Gosford and Water Eaton	The LGBCE draft recommendation is extremely similar to the CDC submission. The working group therefore support the draft recommendation for District level, subject to clarification on the exact positioning of the ward boundary between east and west. The map available on the LGBCE consultation site <a href="https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/2727">https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/2727</a> when zoomed in appears to show two ward boundaries in the High

		<p>Street area.</p> <p>The Working Group were concerned about the proposed amendments to the Parish Wards in Kidlington. The proposal to reduce the parish wards from five to four and change the number of parish councillors per ward does not appear to be in keeping with the rationale of community identity, it seems to confuse it, and makes it more difficult for elected members to accurately represent their communities. The parish proposal is not supported at District or Parish level.</p>
Kidlington West	South-east of Kidlington Town, as far north as the High Street, and the parishes of Begbroke and Yarnton	The LGBCE draft recommendation is extremely similar to the CDC submission. The working group therefore support the draft recommendation for District level, subject to the clarification as detailed above and the comments regarding the Parish proposals.
Launton and Otmoor	Arcott, Blackthorn, Launton, Piddington, Wendlebury, Bletchingdon, Charlton-on-Otmoor, Fencott and Murcott, Hampton Gay and Poyle, Horton-cum-Studley, Islip, Merton, Noke, Oddington, Weston-on-the-Green, Shipton-on-Cherwell and Thrupp	The LGBCE draft recommendation is the same as the CDC submission. The working group therefore support the draft recommendation.

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## Appendix 1

<b>Ward</b>	<b>Polling District</b>	<b>Polling Place Address</b>
<b>Adderbury</b>	CAA1	The Institute, The Green, Adderbury
	CAA1	The Institute, The Green, Adderbury
	CCR1	The Meeting Room, Manor Farm, Milton
<b>Ambrosden &amp; Chesterton</b>	CAB1	Ambrosden Village Hall, Ambrosden
	CBS1	Chesterton Village Hall, Alchester Road, Chesterton
	CBS2	Chesterton Village Hall, Alchester Road, Chesterton
	CCP1	Middleton Stoney Village Hall, Heyford Road, Middleton Stoney
	CDN1	Wendlebury Village Hall, Main Street, Wendlebury
<b>Banbury Calthorpe</b>	CAE1	Mobile Station @ Morrisons Car Park, Banbury
	CAF1	Chasewell Community Centre, Avocet Way, Banbury
	CAF1	Chasewell Community Centre, Avocet Way, Banbury
<b>Banbury Easington</b>	CAG1	The Peoples Church, Horsefair, Banbury
	CAH1	Easington Methodist Church Hall, Grange Road, Banbury
	CAH1	Easington Methodist Church Hall, Grange Road, Banbury
	CAH2	Harriers Banbury Academy, Bloxham Road, Banbury
	CAJ2	Harriers Banbury Academy, Bloxham Road, Banbury
	CAI1	Harriers Banbury Academy, Bloxham Road, Banbury
	CAI3	Queensway Primary School, Queensway, Banbury
	CAJ1	Queensway Primary School, Queensway, Banbury
	CAJ1	Queensway Primary School, Queensway, Banbury
<b>Banbury Grimsbury &amp; Castle</b>	CAK1	St Leonards Church, Middleton Road, Banbury
	CAK1	St Leonards Church, Middleton Road, Banbury
	CAL1	Grimsbury Community Hall, 2 Burchester Place, Banbury
	CAM1	East Street Centre, Calder Close, Banbury



<b>Banbury Grimsbury &amp; Castle (cont..)</b>	CAM1	East Street Centre, Calder Close, Banbury
	CAN1	St Mary`s School, Southam Road, Banbury
	CAO1	Banbury Methodist Church, Marlborough Road, Banbury
	CAO2	St Johns Church, South Bar, Banbury
<b>Banbury Hardwick</b>	CAP1	Hillview County Primary School, Hillview Crescent, Banbury
	CAQ1	Hardwick Community Centre, Ferriston, Banbury
	CAQ1	Hardwick Community Centre, Ferriston, Banbury
	CAR1	Hanwell Fields Community Centre, Rotary Way, Hanwell Fields, Banbury
	CAR1	Hanwell Fields Community Centre, Rotary Way, Hanwell Fields, Banbury
<b>Banbury Neithrop</b>	CAS1	St. Pauls Church Hall, Warwick Road, Banbury
	CAT1	Woodgreen Leisure Centre, Woodgreen Avenue, Banbury
	CAT1	Woodgreen Leisure Centre, Woodgreen Avenue, Banbury
	CAU1	Ruscote Community Centre, Ruscote Arcade, Longelandes Way, Banbury
<b>Banbury Ruscote</b>	CAV1	St. Josephs Church Hall, Edmunds Road, Banbury
	CAV1	St. Josephs Church Hall, Edmunds Road, Banbury
	CAW1	Woodgreen Leisure Centre, Woodgreen Avenue, Banbury
	CAW1	Woodgreen Leisure Centre, Woodgreen Avenue, Banbury
	CAX1	The Sunshine Centre, Edmunds Road, Banbury
	CAX1	The Sunshine Centre, Edmunds Road, Banbury
<b>Bicester East</b>	CAZ1	Bicester East Community Centre, Keble Road, Bicester
	CAZ1	Bicester East Community Centre, Keble Road, Bicester
	CBA1	Salvation Army, Worship Centre, Hart Place, Off Sunderland Dr, Bicester
<b>Bicester North</b>	CBB1	Emmanuel Church, Barberry Place, Bicester
	CBB1	Emmanuel Church, Barberry Place, Bicester
	CBC1	Southwold Community Centre, Holme Way, Bicester
	CBC1	Southwold Community Centre, Holme Way, Bicester

<b>Bicester South</b>	CBD1	Langford Village Centre, Nightingale Place, Bicester
	CBD1	Langford Village Centre, Nightingale Place, Bicester
	CBE1	Mobile station @ corner of Corncrake/Mallards Way, Mallards Way, Bicester
<b>Bicester Town</b>	CBF1	Bicester Methodist Hall, Bell Lane, Bicester
	CBG1	John Paul II Centre, Causeway, Bicester
	CBH1	Scout Hall, Ashdene Road, Bicester
<b>Bicester West</b>	CBI1	West Bicester Community Centre, Bowmont Square, Bicester
	CBI1	West Bicester Community Centre, Bowmont Square, Bicester
	CBJ1	Highfield Social Club, George Street, Bicester
	CBJ1	Highfield Social Club, George Street, Bicester
	CBK1	Bicester Leisure Sports Centre, Queens Avenue, Bicester
<b>Bloxham &amp; Bodicote</b>	CBM1	The Bloxham Ex-Servicemen`s Village Hall, High Street, Bloxham
	CBM1	The Bloxham Ex-Servicemen`s Village Hall, High Street, Bloxham
	CBN1	Church House, Church Street, Bodicote
	CBN2	Church House, Church Street, Bodicote
	CCQ1	Milcombe Village Hall, Main Road, Milcombe
<b>Caversfield</b>	CAC1	Ardley with Fewcott Community Hall, Ardley Playing Fields, Ardley
	CBQ1	Bucknell Village Hall, Bainton Road, Bucknell
	CBR1	The Bunker (Building 50), Skimmingdish Lane, Caversfield
	CDH1	Stoke Lyne Parish Room, Stoke Lyne
<b>Cropredy</b>	CBO1	The Bourtons Village Hall, Main Street, Great Bourton
	CBT1	Claydon Church Hall, Church Lane, Claydon
	CBV1	Cropredy Village Hall, Red Lion Street, Cropredy
	CCY1	Cropredy Village Hall, Red Lion Street, Cropredy
	CCT1	Mollington Village Hall, Chestnut Road, Mollington
	CDM1	Wardington Memorial Hall, Mount Pleasant, Wardington
<b>Deddington</b>	CAY1	Barford St. Michael Village Hall, Lower Street, Barford St. Michael

<b>Deddington (cont..)</b>	CBW1	Windmill Community Centre, Hempton Road, Deddington
	CBX1	Windmill Community Centre, Hempton Road, Deddington
	CBY1	Hempton Meeting Room, Rear of Hempton Church, Hempton
<b>Fringford</b>	CBU1	St Mary the Virgin Church, Cottisford
	CCH1	St Mary the Virgin Church, Cottisford
	CCC1	Finmere Village Hall, Water Stratford Road, Finmere
	CCU1	Finmere Village Hall, Water Stratford Road, Finmere
	CCD1	Fringford Village Hall, The Green, Fringford
	CCF1	The Meeting Room At the Red Lion, Stoke Lyne Road, Stratton Audley
	CDI1	The Meeting Room At the Red Lion, Stoke Lyne Road, Stratton Audley
	CCI1	Hethe Village Hall, Hardwick Road, Hethe
	CCS1	Mixbury Parish Church, Church Lane, Mixbury
<b>Hook Norton</b>	CCJ1	The War Memorial Hall, Chapel Street, Hook Norton
	CDF1	South Newington Village Hall, Barford Road, South Newington
	CDO1	Wigginton Parish Hall, School Lane, Wigginton
<b>Kidlington North</b>	CKC1	Kidlington Baptist Church, High Street, Kidlington
	CKC1	Kidlington Baptist Church, High Street, Kidlington
	CKD1	Mobile Station At Lyne Road, Lyne Road, Kidlington
	CKD1	Mobile Station At Lyne Road, Lyne Road, Kidlington
<b>Kidlington South</b>	CKE1	Kidlington Youth Football Club, Evans Lane, Kidlington
	CKF1	Kidlington Methodist Church Hall, Oxford Road, Kidlington
	CKG1	The Church of St John the Baptist, The Broadway, Kidlington
	CKG1	The Church of St John the Baptist, The Broadway, Kidlington
	CKH1	Exeter Hall, Oxford Road, Kidlington
<b>Kirtlington</b>	CHA1	Bletchingdon Village Hall, Station Road, Bletchingdon
	CHD1	Bletchingdon Village Hall, Station Road, Bletchingdon
	CHG1	Kirtlington Village Hall, South Green, Kirtlington
	CKI1	Millennium Village Hall, Shipton-on-Cherwell

	CHK1	Weston-on-the-Green Village Hall, Mill Lane, Weston-on-the-Green
<b>Launton</b>	CAD1	Arncott Village Hall, Murcott Road, Upper Arncott
	CBL1	Blackthorn Village Hall, Thame Road, Blackthorn
	CCM1	Launton Parish Hall, Bicester Road, Launton
	CCX1	Piddington Village Hall, Ludgershall Road, Piddington
<b>Otmoor</b>	CHB1	Charlton on Otmoor Community Hall, Fencott Road, Charlton-on-Otmoor
	CHJ1	Charlton on Otmoor Community Hall, Fencott Road, Charlton-on-Otmoor
	CHC1	The Village Hall, Fencott and Murcott
	CHE1	Horton-Cum-Studley Millennium Hall, The Straight Mile, Horton-Cum-Studley
	CHF1	Islip Village Hall, Church Lane, Islip
	CHH1	Merton Village Hall, Merton
	CHI1	The Parish Church of St Giles, Noke
<b>Sibford</b>	CBP1	St. Marys House, Wykham Lane, Broughton
	CCB1	Epwell Village Hall, The Square, Epwell
	CCW1	Bishop Carpenter School, School Lane, North Newington
	CDB1	Sibford Gower Village Hall, Acre Ditch, Sibford Gower
	CDC1	Sibford Gower Village Hall, Acre Ditch, Sibford Gower
	CDJ1	Swalcliffe Village Hall, Green Lane, Swalcliffe
	CDK1	Tadmarton Village Hall, Main Street, Upper Tadmarton
<b>The Astons &amp; Heyfords</b>	CCA1	Duns Tew Village Hall, Middle Barton Road, Duns Tew
	CCE1	Fritwell Village Hall, Fewcott Road, Fritwell
	CCN1	Lower Heyford Sports & Social Club, Mill Lane, Lower Heyford
	CCO1	Steeple Aston Village Hall, Fir Lane, Steeple Aston
	CDG1	Steeple Aston Village Hall, Fir Lane, Steeple Aston
	CCV1	Meeting Room At the Bakery, 9 Somerton Road, North Aston
	CDD1	The Barnes Memorial Hall, Heyford Road, Somerton
	CDE1	Souldern Village Hall, Souldern

	CDL1	Upper Heyford Village Hall, Somerton Road, Upper Heyford
<b>Wroxton</b>	CBZ1	Drayton Village Hall, Stratford Road, Drayton
	CCG1	Hanwell Village Hall, Main Street, Hanwell
	CCK1	The Old School, Church Lane, Horley
	CCL1	Hornton Methodist Church, Millers Lane, Hornton
	CCZ1	Shenington Village Hall, Shenington
	CDA1	The George and Dragon, Church Lane, Shutford
	CDP1	Wroxton Village Hall, Stratford Road, Wroxton
<b>Yarnton, Gosford &amp; Water Eaton</b>	CKA1	Begbroke Village Hall, Begbroke Lane, Begbroke
	CKB1	Kidlington and Gosford Sports Centre, Gosford Hill, Oxford Road, Kidlington
	CKJ1	Yarnton Village Hall, The Paddocks, Yarnton
	CKJ1	Yarnton Village Hall, The Paddocks, Yarnton