

Terms of Reference: Haworth, Cross Roads and Stanbury Community Governance Review

Summary:

City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council (the Council) through its Governance and Audit Committee will undertake a Community Governance Review of part of the Worth Valley ward and polling districts 29D, 29E, 29H, 29J and 29K in order to consider the community governance arrangements within it. These terms of reference set out the terms of that review.

Legal basis for the Review:

The Council is obliged to undertake the review because it has received a request to that effect within a petition submitted to it under Section 80 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (the Act). The Governance and Audit Committee has determined that the petition is valid.

Subject of the Review:

The Review is to consider whether to recommend the dissolving of Haworth, Cross Roads & Stanbury Parish Council and creation of two new parish councils, Cross Roads Parish Council, to include properties within 29H polling district boundary, and Haworth & Stanbury Parish Council, to cover 29D, 29E, 29J and 29K polling districts.

Conduct of Review:

The Governance and Audit Committee of the Council will undertake the Review in accordance with Article 9 of the Council's Constitution and in compliance with its duties set out in Section 93 of the Act. It will:

- i. Consider the relevant facts objectively, acting impartially transparently and independently;
- ii. Seek to ensure that the community governance arrangements within the area of the Review (as per the attached map) reflect the identities and interests of the community within it and are effective and convenient;
- iii. Take into account any other community governance arrangements (apart from those relating to parishes) that have already been made, or that could be made for the purposes of community representation or community engagement in respect of the same area;
- iv. Consult with Local government electors for the area under review and with any other person or body who appears to have an interest in the review and take their representations into account;
- v. Record its conclusions within a final written report, together with its recommendations, the reasons for them and any consequential matters arising from its conclusions.

Provisional timetable for the Review

Date	Action
14 July 2022	Terms of reference presented to Governance and Audit Committee
15 July to 26 August 2022	Subject to approval by the GAC, consultation period, with representations invited
26 August 2022	Closing date for representations
22 September 2022	Governance and Audit Committee to receive report with recommendations from the Governance Review
11 October 2022	Subject to approval by the GAC, Council to receive report with recommendations
May elections	To be determined

Maps of the area covered by the review.

