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**Sent:** 23 June 2021 10:45

To: reviews

**Subject:** Fwd: LGBCE Boundary Review Waverley

Categories: Query, Submissions

Good morning, with reference to the boundary review below, is there a possibility to change a ward name from 'Hindhead' to 'Beacon Hill and Hindhead' to reflect the increased development of Hindhead and recognise Beacon Hill as a separate residential area?

Kind regards, Lisa

## Lisa O'Sullivan Town Clerk

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From: Tom Horwood

Date: Tue, 11 May 2021 at 12:46

Subject: Fwd: LGBCE Boundary Review Waverley

To:

To: Waverley Borough Councillors, Parish & Town Clerks

For your information, an update from the Boundary Commission and their recommendation on council size (50 councillors from 2023).

Best wishes

Tom

Tom Horwood – Chief Executive, Waverley Borough Council

Tel:

From: reviews < reviews@lgbce.org.uk > Sent: Tuesday, 11 May 2021, 12:14

To: Tom Horwood

**Subject:** LGBCE Boundary Review Waverley

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Tom Horwood, Chief Executive Waverley Council

11 May 2021

Dear Mr Horwood

#### ELECTORAL REVIEW OF WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL: WARDING ARRANGEMENTS

I am writing to let you know that the Local Government Boundary Commission for England has today launched a public consultation inviting proposals for a new pattern of electoral wards for Waverley.

I would be grateful if you could bring the consultation to the attention of elected members, and ensure that your officers also use your regular communications channels to bring the consultation to the attention of residents and community groups. Colleagues have provided your officers with publicity materials to help with this.

The Commission is minded to recommend that 50 councillors should be elected to the council in future. We are now inviting proposals from the council, interested parties and members of the public on a pattern of electoral wards based on that number of councillors.

A public consultation inviting proposals will run from 11 May 2021 to 19 July 2021.

In drawing up a pattern of electoral wards, we must balance the three statutory criteria we are required to follow:

- Make sure that, within an authority, each councillor represents a similar number of electors
- Create boundaries that are appropriate, and reflect community ties and identities
- Deliver reviews informed by local needs, views and circumstances

We will test proposals made to us against the criteria before drawing up our own proposals.

This means that proposals made to us demonstrate how they meet the criteria. We will take decisions based on the strength of the argument and not merely on assertion. For example, giving details of community interests such as the location and use made of local facilities, services and local organisations to support a proposal will carry greater weight than a proposal that simply asserts that an area has a community identity.

The Commission has no power to create new parishes or alter the external boundaries of existing parishes. However, sometimes we may alter the parish wards used for parish (or town council) elections. This happens when we create new district

or borough wards, or county divisions, for the authority we are

reviewing which divide existing parishes. In that case, the law says we must change parish or town council wards so that they do not cross the new boundaries. When we do this, we may change the number of parish councillors each parish ward will have, but we would not normally change the total number of parish or town councillors.

We consider all proposals on their merits. A well-evidenced proposal from an individual which addresses the three statutory criteria will be more persuasive than one which does not, even if the latter is from an elected individual or body.

Our consultation site at <a href="https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/have-your-say/27237">https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/have-your-say/27237</a> contains links to useful guidance and maps of the current wards. Views can be submitted through the site or: by email <a href="mailto:reviews@lgbce.org.uk">reviews@lgbce.org.uk</a>

by post Review Officer (Waverley)

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We will carefully consider all views received during this phase of consultation, and plan to publish proposals for new electoral arrangements in October 2021.

Public consultation on our proposals is scheduled to take place between 5 October 2021 and 13 December 2021.

We will again take time to carefully consider views made to us during that consultation and intend to publish final recommendations in March 2022.

New electoral arrangements for the borough are scheduled to come into effect at the borough council elections in 2023.

Yours sincerely



# Jolyon Jackson CBE

# **Chief Executive**





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