

Comments received for Polling District and Places Review

Ward or Polling District	From	Comment	Returning Officer Response
Billingham West	Councillor	<p>Move the following properties into BW2 from BW1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cambrian Road Grosmont Drive Lammermuir Road Porlock Road • 5 to 33 Roseberry Road • 1 to 69 and 2 to 76 Sidlaw Road • Flat The Swan, 53 to 99 Wolviston Road 	Agreed
Grangefield Ward GF3	Councillor	The driveway to Grangefield Youth & Community Centre is dark for electors to walk up when it is dark. Suggested using a Mobile Polling Station on Oxbridge Lane prior to Phoenix Gardens	Agreed
Hardwick and Salters Lane	Councillor	Suggested using Hardwick Green Primary School as a polling station	The school ceased accommodating the polling station post 2015 as they could no longer accommodate us and this is a common issue particularly with concerns around safeguarding which detracts a lot of resource unnecessarily on polling day
Hartburn HB2	Councillor	Would like a mobile polling station to be sited near to Holy Trinity to school and suggested the new lay by rather than using The Penny Black Pub	Agreed
Mandale and Victoria MV4	Councillor	Support use of Robert Atkinson in place of Thornaby Acadamy	Agreed

Newtown	NT2/NT4	<p>For ease of voters move the following properties into NT4 from NT2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bilsdale Road • 1 to 53 Bishopton Avenue • 130 to 202 Bishopton Road Comondale Avenue Bransdale Close • Del Strother Avenue Elmwood Grove • Farndale Green Glaisdale Avenue Kirkdale Close Lingdale Close Marshall Grove • Newham Grange Avenue Patterdale Avenue • Staindale Gardens Westerdale Avenue 	Agreed
Norton North NN2 & NN3	Councillor	<p>Leave NN2 and NN3 as separate polling districts.</p> <p>NN3 site a mobile polling station on the corner of Somerset Road</p>	Agreed
Norton South	Councillor	<p>Leave NS1 and NS2 as separate polling districts as a busy road divides the two polling districts NS4 - it is dark outside the polling station</p>	Agreed
Norton West Ward NW3	Councillor	<p>Concern regarding the use of grass verge to site a mobile polling station. Suggested using Crooksbarne Car Park to sit the mobile</p>	<p>The school couldn't accommodate the station last year in the hall because of safeguarding concerns which is a common issue with schools and one that diverts a lot of resource unnecessarily on polling day. We have had similar problems with school car parks and gates needing to be closed which some ward councillors have complained that it puts voters off. It is usual practice for mobiles to be sited on grass and this hasn't caused any particular issues previously.</p> <p>Mobile site to be agreed.</p>

Norton West Ward	Councillor	<p>Last time the use of the Glebe Community Centre was problematic with the two groups tangling with each other in some confusion.</p> <p>Two possible solutions- a divider can be pulled across to create two rooms- one large and one small. Alternatively large signs could be mounted on the walls one sayings Glebe area and the other Junction Road area.</p> <p>As you say Crooksbarrow School was a disaster with people pushing past people voting. We must certainly do better than that next time or close the school.</p>	Polling Station Staff Training will re-inforce the requirement to separate the stations and the Polling Station Inspector will check on their first visit.
Parkfield & Oxbridge PO2	Councillor	Would like a mobile polling station sited in the Lower Hartburn/Queensgate area so the electors do not have to go to PO1 polling district to vote	Agreed
Roseworth RW1	Member of Public	St Gregory's School - I'm a concerned parent who has serious reservations regarding my child's school being used as a polling station whilst the school remains open. I understand absolutely the need for polling stations so people can exercise their right to vote and whole heartedly support this but what I do not agree with is using schools especially when the children are in the building, in this day and age and in light of all that has happened especially recently I'm sure you can understand my concerns having my child in school and people in and out of the same building throughout the day, I have looked up rules so am aware that it needs to be in a room separate from the others etc. but once in a school you're in so to speak and I think this is extremely dangerous in light of all that has and is currently going on at the moment.	<p>Use a mobile polling station due to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Safeguarding concerns <p>To ensure electors are voting within their polling district</p>

Stockton Town Centre	Councillor	Can you please give me more information about Stockton Town Centre ward and numbers for STC4 and STC5	STC 4 has 1048 voting in the station and STC5 has 644
Stockton Town Centre	Councillor	Leave STC4 and STC5 as separate polling districts	Agreed
Village Ward	Councillor	Residents of the Dales estate had gone to Christ the King Polling station to vote which was closer but their polling station was Meadowfield House	Advised to come in and look at the maps as the polling district define where people need to go and vote.