

Minutes of the Community Governance Review Working Party

6 January 2020

-: Present :-

Councillor Long (Chairman)

Councillors Steve Darling, Ellery, Hill, Kennedy, Morey and David Thomas

(Also in attendance: Councillor Chris Lewis)

8. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Doggett.

In accordance with the wishes of the Independent Group Councillor Cowell was substituted by Councillor Ellery.

9. Minutes

The Minutes of the Community Governance Review Working Party held on 21 August 2019 were confirmed as a correct record.

10. Community Governance Review of Torbay - outcome of second stage consultation and final recommendations

Members considered a report that set out the outcome of the second round of consultation on the draft recommendations of the community governance review. The Director of Corporate Services informed Members that in accordance with the majority of consultation responses received, the proposals in the draft recommendations are not being pursued and the final recommendations of the community governance review be for no change to the existing arrangements.

Members sought clarification in respect of the method used to select the 6000 households that were sent letters and prompted to take part in the consultation. Members also debated the need for any future community governance reviews to be driven by the community.

Resolved:

That the Cabinet and Council be recommended:

2.1 That the responses received to the second phase consultation on the Community Governance Review of Torbay be noted as set out in Appendix 1 to the submitted report.

- 2.2 That the Cabinet recommendations of the community governance review be that there shall be no change to existing community governance arrangements in Torbay and specifically:
 - (a) That no new parishes be constituted in the area under review;
 - (b) That no existing parishes in the area under review be abolished and that the name and area of Brixham parish and the electoral arrangements of Brixham Town Council remain unaltered.
- 2.3 That the Director of Corporate Services publish the final recommendations and take steps to secure that persons who may be interested in the review are informed of them; and
- 2.4 That the Council be recommended to give effect to the final recommendations set out at 2.2 above.

Chairman/woman