

**REVIEW OF COMMUNITY AREAS AND THE  
COMMUNITY ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE  
COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY OF FLINTSHIRE**

**DRAFT  
FINAL  
PROPOSALS**

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.01 Flintshire County Council has a statutory duty to keep all the communities in its area under review.
- 1.02 The review is to ensure the electoral arrangements for each town or community council provide effective and convenient local government.
- 1.03 A review of town or community council areas can include proposals for alterations of boundaries between town or community council areas, amalgamating two or more town or community council areas into one, or separating an existing town or community council area into two or more.
- 1.04 A review of town or community electoral arrangements also include proposals to review ward boundaries within a town or community council area, the warding of a previously unwarded town or community council area, the de-warding of a town or community council area currently separated into wards and changes to councillor numbers.

## **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.01 At its meeting on the 28 February 2013 the County Forum received a report on the proposed Community Review including a draft timetable showing the various stages of a Community Review and an indicative timescale for each stage. On the 12 March 2013 all Town and Community Councils were written to seeking their views on the draft guiding principles for the review.
- 2.02 Following reports to County Council on 16 April 2013 and to the Cabinet on 23 April the Guiding Principles of the Review were agreed (see Appendix 1), together with the consultation process for the first formal stage of the review and for the review to commence. The review commenced on 1 May 2013.
- 2.03 The first formal stage of the Community Review was to seek and obtain proposals from Town and Community Councils and other interested parties. A letter, questionnaire and the Guiding Principles were sent to Town and Community Councils, County Councillors and other interested parties on the 3 May 2013. Public notice was also given in local newspapers and information was also published on the Council's website. In addition a series of meetings were co-hosted with Town Councils across the County on the first stage of the review. The consultation period ended on 2 July 2013. The proposals received under the first stage were carefully considered in preparing Flintshire's Draft Proposals. A list of those who submitted a proposal is attached at Appendix 2.
- 2.04 Flintshire's Draft Proposals were considered and agreed by the County Council and Cabinet prior to consultation on them commencing in November 2013. There was a nine week consultation period until the end of January 2014. The Draft Proposals were advertised in the press by giving public

notice and on the Council's web site. The Draft Proposals were also sent individually to each Town and Community Council, County Councillors and other interested parties.

### 3. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- 3.01 The Guiding Principles are shown in Appendix 1. The seventh and eighth principles were subsequently clarified to explain that the objective was to have approximately the same ratio of electors to councillors across the wards that a town or community council may be divided into. As long as this is achieved there does not need to be the same number of councillors in each ward.

### 4. TIMETABLE FOR THE REVIEW

- 4.01 The timetable for the review set out below allows sufficient time for thorough public consultation at each stage of the process.

12/3/13	All Town and Community Councils sent a copy of Draft Guiding Principles for comments.
6/4/13	Report to County Council when Guiding Principles and consultation process for first stage agreed.
23/4/13	Report to Cabinet when Guiding Principles, first stage consultation process and commencement of Community Review agreed.
1/5/13 to 2/7/13	Formal start of Community Review. Consultation seeking proposals from Town and Community Councils and other interested parties.
Summer 2013	Proposals received carefully considered and Officers prepare Draft Proposals.
23/10/13	County Council considers and agrees Draft Proposals for consultation.
19/11/13	Cabinet considers and agrees Draft Proposals for consultation.
29/11/13 to 31/1/14	Consultation on Draft Proposals.
Spring 2014	Consideration of representations received on Draft Proposals. Reports to County Council and Cabinet to agree Final Proposals.

## **5. CURRENT STAGE OF THE REVIEW**

- 5.01 This document comprises the proposed Final Proposals for consideration initially by the County Council and then by the Council's Cabinet.

## **6. FUTURE STAGES OF THE REVIEW**

- 6.01 Once Final Proposals have been agreed by the Council's Cabinet they will be published in the press and on the Council's website.
- 6.02 Where the Final Proposals involve changes to external community boundaries, Flintshire County Council will submit a report recommending them to the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales. For such communities all representations concerning the final proposals should be submitted to the Commission. In such situations the Commission considers all the changes to that community including the warding and number of Community Councillors in each ward. The Commission also considers any consequential changes that the changes to the ward boundaries would have on the County electoral divisions and makes proposals for such changes. These are then submitted to Welsh Government who, if approved by the Minister, prepare an Order for the community including consequential changes to the County electoral divisions.
- 6.03 Where no change to an external community boundary is made, the Town/Community wards arising from this review should fit wholly within the existing electoral divisions for County Councillors. If as a result of any proposed changes to Town/Community council wards, this would not be the case, it would cause practical difficulties for the local government elections scheduled for May 2017. There would have to be different electoral lists for the County Council and Town/Community Council elections being held on the same day. Electors affected would have to attend different polling stations when they vote for County Councillors than when voting for Town/Community Councillors. There would be unnecessary duplication of paperwork and potential for confusion amongst the electorate. The Council is keen to avoid such practical difficulties and for this reason has not agreed with some proposals received that would cause such problems.
- 6.04 The Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales will make proposals to amend the County electoral divisions in their future electoral review which will not be until after the 2017 local government elections. That review could include recommendations to change both the County electoral divisions and the community ward boundaries to give effect to proposals rejected as part of this review.
- 6.05 Where the Final Proposals do not change external boundaries the changes to community electoral arrangements will be given effect by a legally binding Order made by the County Council.

## **7. FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S DRAFT FINAL PROPOSALS**

- 7.01 The County Council's Final Proposals include a number of changes to external boundaries, changes to internal boundaries, changes to the number of town and community councillors representing wards and giving names to new wards created. The Final Proposals aim to redress current anomalies wherever desirable in the interests of effective and convenient local government. All representations received on the Draft Proposals have received detailed consideration in formulating the Final Proposals.
- 7.02 The following parts of this document consider each town or community council area in turn alphabetically. In each case the current arrangements are summarised, any current anomalies, any proposals received, the County Council's Draft Proposal and any response to that Draft Proposal before indicating the County Council's Final Proposal.

## **ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.03 The community of Argoed is currently divided into four wards. The East Ward elects 5 councillors, the New Brighton Ward elects 3 councillors, the South Ward elects 2 councillors and the West Ward elects 6 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 16.
- 7.04 As part of the review process Flintshire identified as an anomaly that the West Ward elected more councillors than the East Ward even though it had a smaller electorate.
- 7.05 At the start of the review Argoed Community Council made the following proposal:
- To amend the external boundary so that the properties in the village of Llong that are part of Leeswood Community Council should be part of Argoed Community Council. The village is currently split between the two Community Councils and Argoed felt it would be better represented by just one community council. It also identified one property that was split from the rest of the village which would be better served by Argoed Community Council. The Community Council also proposed that it should be de-warded and still have an overall membership of 16 councillors. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.06 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that the East and South Wards should be amalgamated (this would then be coterminous with the County electoral division of Argoed). The New Brighton and West Wards should be amalgamated (this would then be coterminous with the County electoral division of New Brighton). As explained in paragraph 6.03 town/community wards arising from this review should fit wholly within a single County Council electoral division. Flintshire's proposal is therefore the nearest the review can implement the Community Council's proposal without creating the practical difficulties referred to in that paragraph. The membership should be reduced from 16 to 14 as no valid reason has been given for departure from the first guiding principle. The external boundary not to be altered as Leeswood Community Council objected to Argoed's proposal and it does not form an easily identifiable boundary as required by guiding principle 5.
- 7.07 Argoed Community Council responded to consultation on Flintshire's Draft Proposal to indicate that it supports the reduction to 14 in the total membership of the Council. No other representations were received from interested parties.
- 7.08 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is therefore the same as its draft proposal as indicated in paragraph 7.06 above. A Map showing proposed new ward boundaries is in Appendix 7.*



## **BAGILLT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.09 The community of Bagillt is presently divided into two wards. The East Ward elects 7 councillors and the West Ward elects 7 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 14.
- 7.10 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies. In 2000 a review of warding arrangements was undertaken. The number of wards was reduced from 4 to 2 making the wards coterminous with the two County Council electoral divisions of Bagillt East and Bagillt West. The councillors for the Central and Merllyn Wards were redistributed between the two wards, so that there was an equal number of councillors.
- 7.11 Under the first stage of the Community Review, Bagillt Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and there should be no changes. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.12 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council as it considered the current arrangements provided effective and convenient local government.
- 7.13 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposal Bagillt Community Council responded to indicate that it supports the Draft Proposal. No other representations were received from interested parties.
- 7.14 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposal to make no alteration to the current arrangements.*

## **BROUGHTON AND BRETTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.15 The community of Broughton and Bretton is presently divided into three wards. The East Ward elects 2 councillors, the North Ward elects 4 councillors and the South Ward elects 8 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 14.
- 7.16 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards under the present arrangements.
- 7.17 At the start of the Community Review, Broughton and Bretton Community Council proposed changes to the external boundary. Firstly that properties west of Cherry Orchard Lane known as 'Old Warren' currently in Penyffordd Community Council area would be better served by Broughton and Bretton Community Council. Because of the stopping up of the 'Old Warren' this area cannot be accessed without going through Broughton and Bretton Community Council's area. It also suggested that the A55 be used as a southern boundary and Stoney Hill as the western boundary. The Community Council also proposed that the number of councillors for the North Ward should be reduced from 4 to 3 and the number of councillors for the South Ward should be increased from 8 to 9. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.18 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the proposal regarding the external boundary and properties in the 'Old Warren' being transferred from Penyffordd Community Council to Broughton and Bretton Community Council. Whilst Penyffordd objected to the proposal, the 'Old Warren' can now only be accessed from Broughton. As explained in paragraph 6.02 where the Final Proposals involve changes to the external boundary, this will be referred to the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales. If the Commission considers the changes to be in the interests of effective and convenient local government, they will make recommendations to Welsh Government to make the boundary changes, including consequential amendments to any County electoral divisions affected. Flintshire's Draft Proposal to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors was that the Wards of North and East should be amalgamated and named North East Ward and elect 5 councillors and the South Ward elects 9 councillors. The overall membership of the Council would remain at 14.
- 7.19 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposals Broughton and Bretton Community Council supported the Draft Proposal. Penyffordd Community Council responded to consultation indicating that it did not agree with the 'Old Warren' being included within Broughton.
- 7.20 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its draft proposal indicated in paragraph 7.18 above. A Map showing the new external boundary is in Appendix 7.*

## **BRYNFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.21 The community of Brynford has a membership of 10 councillors and is not divided into wards.
- 7.22 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies with the current arrangements.
- 7.23 At the start of the Community Review, Brynford Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and that there should be no changes. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.24 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council as it is considered the current arrangements provide effective and convenient local government.
- 7.25 No representations were received in relation to consultation on the draft proposals.
- 7.26 *Flintshire's final proposal is as with the draft proposal to make no changes to the current arrangements.*

## **BUCKLEY TOWN COUNCIL**

- 7.27 The Town of Buckley is presently divided into four wards. The Bistre East Ward elects 5 councillors, the Bistre West Ward elects 6 councillors, the Mountain Ward elects 2 councillors and the Pentrobin Ward elects 5 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 18.
- 7.28 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors for the Mountain and Pentrobin Wards with the current arrangements.
- 7.29 At the start of the Community Review, Buckley Town Council made the following proposal to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors. Taking into account the projected electorate and the number of major developments over the next five years, the overall membership of the Council should be increased to 20 and the number of councillors to be elected for the wards should be as follows:

Bistre East Ward	-	elect 5 councillors
Bistre West Ward	-	elect 5 councillors
Mountain Ward	-	elect 4 councillors
Pentrobin	-	elect 6 councillors

No other proposals were received from interested parties.

- 7.30 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the proposal made by the Town Council as it addresses the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the Mountain and Pentrobin Wards. The overall membership of the Council would increase from 18 to 20.
- 7.31 Buckley Town Council responded to consultation on the Draft Proposal to indicate it was pleased that Flintshire supported its proposal.
- 7.32 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is as the Draft Proposal to increase the size of the Council from 18 to 20. The Bistre East Ward would elect 5 councillors, the Bistre West Ward elect 5 councillors, the Mountain Ward elect 4 councillors and the Pentrobin Ward elect 6 councillors.*

## **CAERWYS TOWN COUNCIL**

- 7.33 The town of Caerwys has a membership of 11 councillors. There are no wards.
- 7.34 Flintshire identified no anomalies with the current arrangements.
- 7.35 At the start of the Community Review, Caerwys Town Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and there should be no changes. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.36 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Town Council as it is considered the current arrangement provide effective and convenient local government.
- 7.37 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposal Caerwys Town Council indicated it had no observations.
- 7.38 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposal to make no change to the existing arrangements.*

## **CILCAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.39 The community of Cilcain is presently divided into two wards. The Cilcain Ward elects 6 councillors and the Rhydymwyn Ward elects 6 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 12.
- 7.40 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies with the current arrangements. In 2008 Flintshire had made an order to increase the number of councillors for the Rhydymwyn Ward from 5 to 6.
- 7.41 At the start of the Community Review no proposals were received from the Community Council or from other interested parties.
- 7.42 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to make no change to the current arrangements as they provided effective and convenient local government.
- 7.43 No representations were received from the Community Council or other interested parties in relation to Flintshire's Draft Proposal.
- 7.44 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is to make no change to the current arrangements.*

## **CONNAH'S QUAY TOWN COUNCIL**

7.45 The Town of Connah's Quay is presently divided into four wards. The Central Ward elects 5 councillors, the Golftyn Ward elects 5 councillors, the South Ward elects 6 councillors and the Wepre Ward elects 4 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 20.

7.46 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the present arrangements.

7.47 At the start of the Community Review Connah's Quay Town Council made the following proposal to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors. To redraw the internal boundary between the Central, Golftyn and South Wards. It would involve transferring approximately 900 electors from the South Ward and 200 from the Golftyn Ward to the Central Ward. The Council also proposed that the overall membership of the Council should be increased to 22 and the number of councillors to be elected to the wards should be as follows:-

Central Ward	-	elect 6 councillors
Golftyn Ward	-	elect 6 councillors
South Ward	-	elect 6 councillors
Wepre Ward	-	elect 4 councillors

No other proposals were received from interested parties.

7.48 As explained in paragraph 6.03 above, implementing the proposal of Connah's Quay Town Council would result in practical difficulties for the 2017 local government elections. Until the County electoral divisions are reviewed by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales, Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to town councillors by altering the number of councillors to be elected across the wards as follows:-

Central Ward	-	elect 4 councillors
Golftyn Ward	-	elect 6 councillors
South Ward	-	elect 7 councillors
Wepre Ward	-	elect 3 councillors

The overall membership of the Town Council would remain at 20.

7.49 Connah's Quay Town Council responded to consultation on the Draft Proposals indicating it had no observations.

7.50 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is as its Draft Proposal set out in paragraph 7.48 above.*

## **FLINT TOWN COUNCIL**

- 7.51 The town of Flint is presently divided into four wards. The Castle Ward elects 4 councillors, the Coleshill Ward elects 5 councillors, the Oakenholt Ward elects 4 councillors and the Trelawny Ward elects 5 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 18.
- 7.52 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the present arrangements.
- 7.53 At the start of the Community Review, Flint Town Council made three proposals. The first was that it was the view of the Town Council that it was not appropriate to embark on any review at this particular time. The second was there should be no change to the current arrangements. The third, and notwithstanding the representations made in the first two proposals, was to redraw the boundaries to transfer an area from Coleshill Ward to Castle Ward and reduce the number of councillors to 16. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.54 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to partly agree with the third proposal made by the Town Council as it addresses the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors. Redrawing the ward boundaries would however result in the practical problems explained in paragraph 6.03 for the local government elections scheduled for 2017. Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that the number of councillors elected from the Castle Ward would be reduced from 4 to 3 and the overall membership for the Council reduced from 18 to 17.
- 7.55 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposal Flint Town Council resolved to support the Draft Proposal. No representations were received from other interested parties.
- 7.56 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposal as set out in paragraph 7.54 above.*



## **GWERNAFFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.57 The community of Gwernaffield is presently divided into two wards. The Gwernaffield Ward elects 6 councillors and the Pantymwyn Ward elects 6 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 12.
- 7.58 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies with the current arrangements.
- 7.59 At the start of the Community Review, Gwernaffield Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and that there should be no changes. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.60 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council as it is considered that the current arrangements are effective and convenient local government.
- 7.61 No representations were received in relation to the Draft Proposal during the consultation period.
- 7.62 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposal to make no changes to the current arrangements.*

## **GWERNYMYNYDD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.63 The community of Gwernymynydd has a membership of 11 councillors. There are no wards.
- 7.64 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies with the current arrangements.
- 7.65 At the start of the Community Review, Gwernymynydd Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and that there should be no changes. The local County Councillor, Councillor Nancy Matthews made the same proposal. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.66 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council and the local County Councillor as it considered that current arrangements provided effective and convenient local government.
- 7.67 During consultation on the Draft Proposals the Community Councillor and local County Councillor supported the Draft Proposal.
- 7.68 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposal to make no change to the current arrangements which provide effective and convenient local government.*

## **HALKYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.69 The community of Halkyn is presently divided into four wards. The Halkyn Ward elects 3 councillors, the Pentre Halkyn Ward elects 4 councillors, the Rhos y Cae Ward elects 2 councillors and the Rhosesmor Ward elects 4 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 13.
- 7.70 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the current arrangements.
- 7.71 At the start of the Community Review, Halkyn Community Council were unable to agree any recommendations to Flintshire. It was agreed by members to wait for the County Council's Draft Proposals to be published on how to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.72 Flintshire's Draft Proposal to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors was that the Wards of Halkyn, Rhos y Cae and Rhosesmor be merged to create a new ward and elect 8 councillors (this would then be coterminous with the County electoral division of Halkyn). The Ward of Pentre Halkyn (which is part of the County electoral division of Brynford) would elect 5 councillors. The overall membership of the Council would remain at 13. As explained in paragraph 7.121, it is also proposed to alter the external boundary with Mold.
- 7.73 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposals, Halkyn Community Council made the following observations:-
- a) The members appreciate that the review is necessary.
  - b) The members' concerns are that by amalgamating the three wards of Halkyn, Rhosesmor and Rhos y Cae, that during an election there will be more electorate voting, say in the Rhosesmor area which could leave both Halkyn and Rhos y Cae without a councillor who resides in each of the villages. The Council area is one of scattered communities. One longstanding member of the Council recalls that this situation used to occur before the Council was placed in four wards.
  - c) The Council suggests that the new ward name is Halkyn Mountain.
- 7.74 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is as its Draft Proposal with the new Ward being named Halkyn Mountain as suggested by Halkyn Community Council. As the Final Proposal involves changing the electoral boundary it will be considered by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales. If the Commission considers the changes to be in the interests of effective and convenient local government it will make recommendations to Welsh Government to make the boundary changes including consequential amendments to any County electoral divisions affected. A Map of the new boundaries is in Appendix 7*

## **HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.75 The community of Hawarden is presently divided into four wards. The Aston Ward elects 5 councillors, the Ewloe Ward elects 4 councillors, the Hawarden elects 3 councillors and the Mancot Ward elects 5 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 17.
- 7.76 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an anomaly with the current arrangements with an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors making the Ewloe Ward under represented.
- 7.77 At the commencement of the review Hawarden Community Council proposed that the number of councillors for the Ewloe Ward should be increased from 4 to 6. The Community Council did not believe the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors could be solved by redistributing the current allocation from the other wards without adversely affecting their representational role. The overall membership of the Council would then be increased from 17 to 19. A proposal was also received from Councillor C Carver as local County Councillor that the internal boundary between the Hawarden and Mancot Wards should be redrawn. As explained in paragraph 6.03 above, amending the ward boundaries in the way proposed by the local County Councillor would lead to anomalies at the 2017 elections and would therefore be inappropriate at this time.
- 7.78 Flintshire's Draft Proposal to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors was for the Aston Ward to elect 4 councillors, the Ewloe Ward to elect 6 councillors, the Hawarden Ward to elect 2 councillors and the Mancot Ward to elect 4 councillors. The overall membership of the Council would be reduced from 17 to 16.
- 7.79 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposal, Hawarden Community Council made detailed representations explaining how reducing the size of the Council would lead to inconsistencies with other towns and communities. It went on to propose that the size of the Community Council should be increased to 20 councillors made up as follows:-
- |               |   |               |
|---------------|---|---------------|
| Aston Ward    | - | 5 councillors |
| Ewloe Ward    | - | 7 councillors |
| Hawarden Ward | - | 3 councillors |
| Mancot Ward   | - | 5 councillors |
- There were representations against the Draft Proposal from all the County Councillors on the Community Council.
- 7.80 *The response to consultation from Hawarden Community Council addresses the current inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards. It also makes the size of the Community Council more consistent with other large towns and communities within Flintshire. Flintshire's Final Proposal is to agree with the proposal from Hawarden Community Council set out in paragraph 7.79.*

## **HIGHER KINNERTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.81 Higher Kinnerton Community Council has a membership of 9 councillors. There are no wards.
- 7.82. As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies. In 2008 Flintshire made an order to reduce the overall membership of the Council from 11 to 9.
- 7.83 At the start of the Community Review Higher Kinnerton Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and that there should be no changes. No other proposals were received from interested parties. The Community Council raised no objection to Penyffordd's external boundary altering to include properties in Lower Mountain Road.
- 7.84 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council except to change the external boundary with Penyffordd (see paragraph 7.159).
- 7.85 Higher Kinnerton Community Council responded to consultation on the Draft Proposal to indicate they had no additional comments to make. Councillor David Williams from Penyffordd made representations that part of Higher Kinnerton should be included in Penyffordd Community Council.
- 7.86 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is as the Draft Proposal with the only change being to the external boundary with Penyffordd. As the Final Proposal involves changing the external boundary it will be considered by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales. If the Commission considers the changes to be in the interests of effective and convenient local government it will make recommendations to Welsh Government to make the boundary changes including consequential amendments to any County electoral divisions affected. A Map of the proposed new external boundary is in Appendix 7*

## **HOLYWELL TOWN COUNCIL**

- 7.87 The town of Holywell is presently divided into four wards. The Central Ward elects 4 councillors, the East Ward elects 4 councillors, the Greenfield Ward elects 5 councillors and the West Ward elects 4 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 17.
- 7.88 As part of the Review process Flintshire identified an insistent ratio of electorate to Councillors across the wards with the current arrangements.
- 7.89 At the start of the Community Review Holywell Town Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and there should be no changes. The Council felt that they would not be able to provide the same level of representation on community groups etc if the number of councillors was reduced. A local resident proposed that their property "Chipwood Cottage" should be moved from the East to Greenfield Ward because she and her husband felt they had no association with the East Ward. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.90 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to Councillors across the Wards the Central Ward should elect 3 councillors, the East Ward 3 councillors, the Greenfield Ward 5 councillors and the West Ward 4 councillors. The overall membership of the Council would reduce from 17 to 15 in line with the first guiding principle.
- 7.91 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposal the Town Council indicated that it wished its initial proposal to stand and for there to be no changes. It went on to submit an alternative proposal based on projected electorate, whereby the size of the Town Council would increase to 18 with 4 Members for the Central Ward, 4 for the East Ward, 5 for the Greenfield Ward and 5 for the West Ward.
- 7.92 Representations were also received from the resident of Chipwood Cottage reiterating her wish to be moved from the East Ward to the Greenfield Ward and this was supported by Holywell Town Council.
- 7.93 There is a need to address the current anomaly but the Town Council's stance of there being no changes would continue the existing anomaly. Its alternative proposal is based on estimated increased electorate rather than on the current known electorate. Whilst the third principle does indicate that likely changes in electorate should be taken into account, the consistent approach taken to the Community Review is to give more weight to the known current electorate than estimated future electorate. The estimated future electorate sometimes being used to choose between two options arrived at on the basis of the known electorate. The first guiding principle indicates that the appropriate number of councillors for Holywell is 15 and an increase to 18 would be inconsistent with the size of other larger towns or

communities such as Flint and Mold. It has been the consistent approach of the Community Review to avoid having town or community wards that do not fit wholly within county electoral divisions where no change is being made to the external community boundary. To do otherwise will lead to the practical difficulties with the County and Town and Community elections scheduled for 2017 indicated in paragraph 6.03. For this reason Chipwood Cottage should at present remain in the East Ward but may change when the Local Democracy & Boundary Commission review County electoral divisions after the 2017 elections.

- 7.94 *For the reasons indicated in the preceding paragraph, Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposal in paragraph 7.90 notwithstanding the representations it has received.*

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## **HOPE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.95 The community of Hope is presently divided into two wards. The Caergwrle Ward elects 6 councillors and the Hope Ward elects 8 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 14.
- 7.96 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the current arrangements.
- 7.97 At the start of the Community Review, Hope Community Council made the following proposal regarding internal ward boundaries. In an effort to equalise the electorate across the two wards, the boundary should be the river Alyn as a natural boundary. The community area west of the river would form the Caergwrle Ward and the community area east of the river would form the Hope Ward. The Caergwrle Ward would elect 7 councillors and the Hope Ward would elect 7 councillors. The local County Councillor for Hope also made a proposal that the internal boundary should be redrawn by either the railway line or the river Alyn.
- 7.98 As explained in paragraph 6.03 above to alter the ward boundaries in the way that the Community Council and the local County Councillor proposed would lead to anomalies at the local government elections scheduled for 2017. Flintshire's Draft Proposal therefore to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards pending the outcome of the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission Review of County Electoral Divisions was that the Councillors from the Caergwrle Ward be reduced from 6 to 5 and that the overall membership of the Council would therefore reduce from 14 to 13 in line with the first Guiding Principle.
- 7.99 During the consultation period on the Draft Proposals Penyffordd Community Council reiterated its previous representations that certain properties at the Penyffordd end of Wrexham Road should be included in Penyffordd. Hope Community Council were consulted on this and agreed to the external boundary being altered in this way. It went on to indicate that this would lead to the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales reviewing the ward boundaries and when doing so, it could align them with County electoral divisions. It therefore reiterated its previous proposal that the river Alyn should be used as the boundary between the two wards with 7 councillors in each ward. During the consultation period representations were also received from residents affected by the proposed change of external boundary, both supporting their properties being within the Penyffordd rather than Hope community.
- 7.100 As it is now agreed between Hope and Penyffordd Community Councils that the external boundaries can be altered, there is the opportunity to alter the Hope internal ward boundaries without causing problems at the local government elections scheduled for 2017.



7.101 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is therefore to agree with Hope Community Council that the external boundary with Penyffordd is altered and that the ward boundaries are redrawn along the river Alyn. The Caergwrle ward electing 6 councillors and the Hope ward 8 as at present. As the Final Proposal involves changing the external boundary it will be considered by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales. If the Commission considers the changes to be in the interests of effective and convenient local government it will make recommendations to Welsh Government to make the boundary changes including consequential amendments to any County electoral divisions affected. A map of the proposed new boundaries is in Appendix 7*

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## LEESWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

7.102 The community of Leeswood is divided into 2 wards. The Leeswood Ward elects 11 councillors and the Pontblyddyn Ward elects 2 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 13.

7.103 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies.

7.104 At the start of the Community Review, Leeswood Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and that there should be no changes. No other proposals were received from interested parties.

7.105 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council and to make no changes to the current arrangements except to change the external boundary with Penyffordd (see paragraph 7.159).

7.106 No representations were received during consultation on the Draft Proposals.

7.107 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as the Draft Proposal to make no change to the current arrangements which provide effective and convenient local government. As the external boundary with Penyffordd is proposed to change it will be considered by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales. If the Commission considers the changes to be in the interests of effective and convenient local government it will make recommendations to Welsh Government to make the boundary changes including consequential amendments to any County electoral divisions affected. A Map of the proposed external boundary is in Appendix 7.*

## **LLANASA COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.108 The community of Llanasa is presently divided into 3 wards. The Axton Ward elects 4 councillors, the Ffynnongroyw Ward elects 6 councillors and the Gronant Ward elects 5 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 15.
- 7.109 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the present arrangements.
- 7.110 At the start of the Community Review, Llanasa Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and there should be no changes because of the rural nature of the area. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.111 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards, the Axton Ward elect 3 councillors, the Ffynnongroyw Ward elects 6 councillors and the Gronant Ward elects 5 councillors. The overall membership of the Council would reduce from 15 to 14.
- 7.112 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposals Llanasa Community Council indicated that it had no observations to make. The local County Councillor, Councillor Steele-Mortimer made representations against the proposed change.
- 7.113 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its draft proposal as indicated in paragraph 7.111 above.*

## **LLANFYNYDD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.114 The community of Llanfynydd is presently divided into 4 wards. The Cefn y Bedd Ward elects 4 councillors, the Cymau Ward elects 2 councillors, the Ffrith Ward elects 4 councillors and the Pontybodkin Ward elects 2 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 12.
- 7.115 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards. In particular the Cefn y Bedd and Cymau Wards have a similar electorate but Cymau only elects 2 councillors, half the number of councillors elected in Cefn y Bedd.
- 7.116 At the start of the Community Review, Llanfynydd Community Council proposed that to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors, the Cefn y Bedd Ward elect 3 councillors, that Cymau Ward elect 3 councillors, the Ffrith Ward elect 3 councillor and the Pontybodkin Ward elect 3 councillors. Also the external boundary between Llanfynydd and Treuddyn Councils be redrawn so that four properties currently along Ffordd-y-Blaenau be transferred to the settlement of Treuddyn. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.117 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that to address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards the Cefn y Bedd Ward elect 4 councillors, the Cymau Ward elect 3 councillors, the Ffrith Ward elect 3 councillors and the Pontybodkin Ward elect 2 councillors. The overall membership remaining at 12. The external boundary should not be altered.
- 7.118 Llanfynydd Community Council did not make any representations during the consultation period on the Draft Proposals.
- 7.119 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposed in paragraph 7.117 above.*

## **MOLD TOWN COUNCIL**

- 7.120 The town of Mold is presently divided into 4 wards. The Broncoed Ward elects 4 councillors, the East Ward elects 4 councillors, the South Ward elects 4 councillors and the West Ward elects 4 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 16.
- 7.121 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the present arrangements. In particular the East Ward is over represented when considering the ratio of electorate to councillors. At the start of the Community Review Mold Town Council proposed that the internal boundaries should be redrawn and gave two options. It also proposed that the overall membership remain at 16. It also made a proposal regarding the external boundary with Halkyn that properties on the east side of Black Brook Lane currently in Halkyn have a close identity with the Town Council and this would form a more natural boundary.
- 7.122 Representations were also received from Councillor H Bateman and from two local residents who believed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and there should be no changes.
- 7.123 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree to the external boundary being redrawn to include the 13 properties from Halkyn Community Council as no objections were received from Halkyn Council and it formed an easily identifiable boundary in accordance with the guiding principle. Flintshire proposed that the internal ward boundaries be changed based on the second of the two options produced by the Town Council but retaining the Bromfield Park Estate within Broncoed Ward. The Mold East Ward would then have the highest electorate per councillor. The future growth proposals for Mold are in the other three wards. It agreed with Mold Council that the overall membership of the Council should remain at 16.
- 7.124 During consultation on the draft proposal, Mold Town Council agreed in principle to the draft proposal subject to two minor amendments involving nine properties on Ruthin Road remaining within the Broncoed Ward and the Bowling Green, Clayton Road forming part of the Broncoed Ward. Councillor H Bateman made representations to retain the same properties in the Broncoed Ward.
- 7.125 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is to agree with amending its Draft Proposal in 7.123 to reflect the representations received from Mold Town Council and Councillor H Bateman in 7.124. Plans of the new ward boundaries are shown in Appendix 7 to this report. As the Final Proposal involves altering the external boundary it will be considered by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales. If the Commission considers the changes to be in the interests of effective and convenient local government it will make recommendations to Welsh Government to make the boundary changes*

*including consequential amendments to any County electoral divisions affected.*

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## **MOSTYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.126 The community of Mostyn is presently divided into 2 wards. The Mostyn Ward elects 9 councillors and the Rhewl Ward elects 3 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 12.
- 7.127 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the current arrangements.
- 7.128 At the start of the Community Review Mostyn Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and that there should be no changes because of the Council members' involvement in community groups. The Community Council has strong views that the two wards have separate identities. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.129 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council not to remove the warding arrangements. To address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards the Draft Proposal was for the Mostyn Ward to elect 8 councillors and Rhewl Ward 3 councillors. The overall membership of the Council would therefore reduce from 12 to 11.
- 7.130 In response to consultation the Community Council stood by its original view that the existing arrangements should remain with the same boundaries and level of representation.
- 7.131 *The wishes of Mostyn Community Council would continue the existing anomaly of the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards. Flintshire's Final Proposal is therefore the same as its draft proposal as indicated in paragraph 7.129 above.*

## **NANNERCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.132 The community of Nannerch has a membership of 8 councillors. There are no wards.
- 7.133 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies.
- 7.134 At the start of the Community Review no proposals were received from Nannerch Community Council or any other interested parties.
- 7.135 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that the current arrangements provide effective and convenient local government and should not be changed.
- 7.136 In response to consultation Nannerch Community Council supported the Draft Proposals.
- 7.137 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as the Draft Proposal that there should be no change to the current arrangements.*



## **NERCWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.138 The community of Nercwys has a membership of 9 councillors. There are no wards.
- 7.139 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies.
- 7.140 At the start of the Community Review no proposals were received from the Community Council. The local County Councillor, Councillor Nancy Matthews proposed that the current arrangements should continue.
- 7.141 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that the current arrangements provide effective and convenient local government and should not change.
- 7.142 No representations were received during consultation on the Draft Proposal.
- 7.143 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as the Draft Proposal that there should be no change to the current arrangements which provide effective and convenient local government.*

## **NORTHOP COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.144 The community of Northop is presently divided into 2 wards. The Northop Ward elects 6 councillors and the Sychdyn Ward elects 7 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 13.
- 7.145 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies.
- 7.146 At the start of the Community Review Northop Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and there should be no changes. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.147 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council as it is considered that the current arrangements provide effective and convenient local government.
- 7.148 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposals, Northop Community Council made representations to make no changes and indicated it was content with the Draft Proposal.
- 7.149 *The Final Proposal is the same as the draft proposal to make no changes to the current arrangements.*

## **NORTHOP HALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.150 The community of Northop Hall has a membership of 11 councillors. There are no wards.
- 7.151 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies.
- 7.152 At the start of the Community Review no proposals were received from the Community Council or from other interested parties.
- 7.153 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that the current arrangements provide effective and convenient local government and should not be changed.
- 7.154 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposal the Northop Hall Community Council indicated it had no comment to make.
- 7.155 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as the Draft Proposal to make no changes to the current arrangements which provide effective and convenient local government.*

## **PENYFFORDD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.156 Penyffordd Community Council has 10 councillors and is not divided into wards.
- 7.157 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies with the current arrangements.
- 7.158 At the start of the Community Review Penyffordd Community Council made five proposals regarding changes to the external boundary. The local County Councillors have also made similar proposals. They also proposed that the overall membership of the Council should increase from 10 to 13.
- 7.159 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with that from the local County Councillors that the overall membership should be increased from 10 to 13 in line with the first guiding principle. The County Council also agreed with two of the proposals to change the external boundary as the Leeswood and Higher Kinnerton Councils affected had no objections. As explained in paragraph 7.18 above the Draft Proposal also included changing the external boundary so that all of the 'Old Warren' should be in the Broughton and Bretton community.
- 7.160 During the consultation period on the Draft Proposal County Councillor David Williams made representations reiterating the changes to external boundaries previously proposed by the Penyffordd Community Council.
- 7.161 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is to add to the Draft Proposal a further change to the external boundary as Hope Community Council have now indicated they have no objections to it. There would therefore be a total of four changes to the external boundary of the Community Council as shown in the plan in Appendix 7. As the Final Proposal involves changes to the external boundary, these will be considered by the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales. If the Commission considers the changes to be in the interests of effective and convenient local government it will make recommendations to Welsh Government to make the boundary changes including consequential amendments to any county electoral divisions affected.*

## QUEENSFERRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

- 7.162 The community of Queensferry is presently divided into 3 wards. The Pentre Ward elects 2 councillors, the Queensferry Ward elects 4 councillors and Sandycroft Ward elects 7 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 13.
- 7.163 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the current arrangements.
- 7.164 At the start of the Community Review, Queensferry Community Council proposed to amend the external boundary with Hawarden Community Council. Councillor David Wisinger, the local County Councillor, proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and there should be no changes. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.165 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that the external boundary should not be altered as Hawarden Community Council objected to Queensferry's proposal and it did not satisfy principle five of being easily identifiable. To address the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards, the Wards of Pentre and Queensferry should be merged to form a new Ward to be named Queensferry. The new Ward would elect 5 councillors and the Sandycroft Ward would elect 7 councillors. The overall membership of the Council would reduce from 13 to 12.
- 7.166 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposal, Queensferry Community Council reiterated its previous proposal to amend the external boundary with Hawarden Community Council.
- 7.167 *The Final Proposal is as the Draft Proposal set out in paragraph 7.165 above.*

## **SALTNEY TOWN COUNCIL**

- 7.168 The town of Saltney is presently divided into 2 wards. The Mold Junction Ward elects 5 councillors and the Stonebridge Ward elects 9 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 14.
- 7.169 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the present arrangements.
- 7.170 At the start of the Community Review, Saltney Town Council proposed altering the internal ward boundaries. At present the boundary divides the town along the High Street in a north/south divide. The Town Council proposed following the line of the Balderton Brook in an east/west direction. As explained in paragraph 6.03 above it is the view of the County Council that to amend ward boundaries in the way proposed as part of the Community Review would lead to practical difficulties with the local government elections scheduled for 2017.
- 7.171 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that pending the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales reviewing the County electoral divisions, the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors should be addressed by amending the number of councillors elected from each ward. The Draft Proposal was that the number of councillors for Mold Junction should be reduced from 5 to 4 and the number from Stonebridge Ward increase by 1 from 9 to 10. The overall membership of the Council would remain at 14.
- 7.172 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposal, Saltney Town Council reiterated its previous proposal.
- 7.173 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposal in paragraph 7.171 above. In addition it will ask the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales to consider the ward boundaries when it is reviewing the County electoral divisions.*

## **SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.174 The community of Sealand is presently divided into 2 wards. The East Ward elects 4 councillors and the West Ward elects 8 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 12.
- 7.175 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the present arrangements.
- 7.176 At the start of the Community Review, Sealand Community Council proposed that it should be de-warded and the overall membership of the Council increased from 12 to 13 councillors. The local County Councillor, Councillor Christine Jones also made the same proposal. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.177 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council and local County Councillor that it should be de-warded and the membership increased from 12 to 13 councillors as indicated by the first guiding principle.
- 7.178 In response to consultation on the Draft Proposal, Sealand indicated it had no further comments to make.
- 7.179 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposal in paragraph 7.177 above.*

## **SHOTTON TOWN COUNCIL**

- 7.180 The town of Shotton is divided into 3 wards. The East Ward elects 4 councillors, the Higher Ward elects 6 councillors and the West Ward elects 4 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 14.
- 7.181 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies.
- 7.182 At the start of the Community Review no proposals were received from the Town Council or from other interested parties.
- 7.183 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that the current arrangements provide effective and convenient local government and should not be changed.
- 7.184 In response to consultation Shotton Town Council indicated it had no comments to make on the Draft Proposal.
- 7.185 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as its Draft Proposal that there should be no changes as the current arrangements provide effective and convenient local government.*



## **TRELAWNYD AND GWAENYSGOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.186 The community of Trelawnyd and Gwaenysgor is currently divided into 2 wards. The Gwaenysgor Ward elects 3 councillors and the Trelawnyd Ward elects 6 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 9.
- 7.187 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies.
- 7.188 At the start of the Community Review no proposals were received from the Community Council or other interested parties.
- 7.189 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that the current arrangements provide effective and convenient local government and should not be changed. Trelawnyd and Gwaenysgor responded to consultation indicating that they were in favour of the Draft Proposal. Representations were also received from Councillor Steele-Mortimer as local County Councillor opposed to the Draft Proposal.
- 7.190 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as the Draft Proposal that there should be no change to the current arrangements.*

## **TREUDDYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.191 The community of Treuddyn has a membership of 11 councillors and is not divided into wards.
- 7.192 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies with the current arrangements.
- 7.193 At the start of the Community Review, Treuddyn Community Council proposed to alter the external boundary with Llanfynydd. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.194 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was that the external boundary should not be altered as it does not satisfy guiding principle 5. The Draft Proposal was to make no change to the existing arrangements.
- 7.195 No representations were received during the consultation period on the Draft Proposals.
- 7.196 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is to make no change to the current arrangements which provide effective and convenient local government.*

## **WHITFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.197 The community of Whitford is divided into 2 wards. The Carmel Ward elects 10 councillors and Whitford Ward elects 3 councillors. The overall membership of the Council is 13.
- 7.198 As part of the review process Flintshire identified an inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors across the wards with the present arrangements.
- 7.199 At the start of the Community Review no proposals were received from the Community Council or from other interested parties.
- 7.200 Flintshire's Draft Proposal addresses the inconsistent ratio of electorate to councillors by having 10 councillors from Carmel Ward and 2 from Whitford Ward. The overall membership of the Council would reduce from 13 to 12.
- 7.201 During the consultation on the Draft Proposal Whitford Community Council made representations that it should be de-warded. This was supported by Councillor Chris Dolphin as the local County Councillor.
- 7.202 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is to agree with Whitford Community Council that it be de-warded and that the overall membership be 12 in accordance with the first Guiding Principle.*

## **YSGEIFIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

- 7.203 Ysgeifiog Community Council has a membership of 10 councillors with no wards.
- 7.204 As part of the review process Flintshire identified no anomalies.
- 7.205 At the start of the Community Review, Ysgeifiog Community Council proposed that the current arrangements were satisfactory and there should be no changes. No other proposals were received from interested parties.
- 7.206 Flintshire's Draft Proposal was to agree with the Community Council.
- 7.207 No representations were received during consultation on the Draft Proposal.
- 7.208 *Flintshire's Final Proposal is the same as the Draft Proposals that there should be no change as the current arrangements provide effective and convenient local government.*

## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

### First Principle

***To provide effective and convenient local government*** [Sec 54(1) of the Local Government Act 1972].

In considering this principle it is believed that local Town & Community Councils need to have a membership between seven as a minimum and twenty as a maximum and the following table to be used as a flexible guide.

<b>Electorate</b>	<b>Suggested Councillor Allocation</b>
0 -299	7
300 – 499	8
500 – 749	9
750 – 999	10
1000 – 1499	11
1500 – 1999	12
2000 – 3999	13
4000 – 5999	14
6000 – 8999	15
9000 – 11,999	16
12,000 +	17 - 20

### Second Principle

***To recognise that the different demands and issues between urban and rural communities will mean different levels of representation being appropriate.***

This is reflected in the above table having an increased Councillor allocation for smaller electorates.

### Third Principle

***To consider the number and distribution of the local government electors in each community including any change in either, which is likely to take place within 5 years*** [Sch 11, para 4(3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972]

For example, if a large residential development is likely to be implemented within 5 years it is likely to lead to an increase in the number of electors in that community.

#### **Fourth Principle**

***In considering whether any town or community is to be divided into wards regard should be had to the questions whether*** [Sch 11, para 4(2) of the Local Government Act 1972] –

- a) ***The number or distribution of the local government electors for the town or community is such as to make a single election of town or community councillors impractical or inconvenient/***

If it is impractical or inconvenient to have a single election of the town or community council that would support having separate wards within that town or community council.

- b) ***It is desirable that any area or areas of the town or community should be separately represented on the town or community council.***

It may, for example, be desirable because a particular part of the town or community has a separate identity which should be reflected by it being a separate ward.

#### **Fifth Principle**

***Where a town or community is being divided into wards regard will be had to the desirability of fixing boundaries which are and will remain easily identifiable*** [Sch 11, para 4(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972].

Examples of such boundaries are the course of a river or the route of a road.

#### **Sixth Principle**

***Where a town or community is divided into wards regard should be had to any local ties which will be broken by the fixing of any particular boundaries*** [Sch 11, para 4(3)(c) of the Local Government Act 1972].

In fixing ward boundaries identifiable local ties should not be broken wherever this is practical.

#### **Seventh Principle**

***Where a town or community is divided into wards to equalise as far as practical the number of electors in each ward.***

This is to ensure fair representation on the Council.

## **Eighth Principle**

***Where a town or community is divided into wards for each ward to elect the same number of Councillors as far as practical.***

This is to ensure fair representation on the Council.

"Please note that the objective of the 7th & 8th principles is to have approximately the same ratio of electors to Councillors across the different wards that a Town or Community may be divided into. As long as this is achieved there does not need to be the same number of electors and Councillors in each ward".

<b>List of who made a proposal during the first stage of the review</b>	
<b>Town / Community Councils</b>	<b>County Councillors</b>
Argoed Community Council	Councillor N. Matthews, Gwernymynydd
Bagillt Community Council	Councillor C. Carver, Hawarden
Broughton & Bretton Community Council	Councillor T. Newhouse, Hope
Brynford Community Council	Councillor H. Bateman, Mold Broncoed
Buckley Town Council	Councillor C. Hinds, Penyffordd
Caerwys Town Council	Councillor D. Williams, Penyffordd
Cilcain Community Council	Councillor D. Wisinger, Penyffordd
Connah's Quay Town Council	Councillor C. Jones, Sealand
Flint Town Council	
Gwernaffield Community Council	<b>Local Residents</b>
Gwernymynydd Community Council	
Halkyn Community Council	Mr & Mrs. Harrison, Holywell
Hawarden Community Council	Mr. K. Corbett, Mold
Higher Kinnerton Community Council	Mr. J. Ellis, Mold
Holywell Town Council	
Hope Community Council	
Leeswood Community Council	
Llanasa Community Council	
Llanfynydd Community Council	
Mold Town Council	
Mostyn Community Council	
Nannerch Community Council	
Nercwys Community Council	
Northop Community Council	
Northop Hall Community Council	
Penyffordd Community Council	
Queensferry Community Council	
Saltney Town Council	
Sealand Community Council	
Shotton Town Council	
Trelawnyd & Gwaenysgor Community Council	
Treuddyn Community Council	
Whitford Community Council	
Ysceifiog Community Council	



TABLE OF CURRENT ARRANGEMENTS

Town / Community	Ward	Electorate (as at 1 May 2013)	Current No. of Seats (ward)	Current No. of Seats (Council)
Argoed	East	1,647	5	16
	New Brighton	885	3	
	South	552	2	
	West	1,525	6	
Bagillt	East	1,501	7	14
	West	1,643	7	
Broughton and Bretton	East	858	2	14
	North	891	4	
	South	2,845	8	
Brynford		853	10	10
Buckley	Bistre East	2,729	5	18
	Bistre West	3,370	6	
	Mountain	2,342	2	
	Pentrobïn	3,736	5	
Caerwys		1,025	11	11
Cilcain	Cilcain	580	6	12
	Rhydymwyn	565	6	
Connah's Quay	Central	2,523	5	20
	Golftyn	4,041	5	
	South	4,443	6	
	Wepre	1,760	4	
Flint	Castle	1,579	4	18
	Coleshill	3,130	5	
	Oakenholt	2,165	4	
	Trelawny	2,767	5	
Gwernaffield	Gwernaffield	784	6	12
	Pantymwyn	832	6	
Gwernymynydd		925	11	11
Halkyn	Halkyn	422	3	13
	Pentre Halkyn	931	4	
	Rhesycae	297	2	
	Rhosesmor	685	4	
Hawarden	Aston	2,559	5	17
	Ewloe	4,218	4	
	Hawarden	1,532	3	
	Mancot	2,718	5	
Higher Kinnerton		1,283	9	9

Holywell	Central	1,485	4	
	East	1,408	4	
	Greenfield	2,114	5	
	West	1,858	4	17
Hope	Caergwrle	1,289	6	
	Hope	1,997	8	14
Leeswood	Leeswood	1,365	11	
	Pontblyddyn	239	2	13
Llanasa	Axton	826	4	
	Ffynnongroyw	1,542	6	
	Gronant	1,249	5	15
Llanfynydd	Cefn y Bedd	409	4	
	Cymau	392	2	
	Ffrith	469	4	
	Pontybodkin	204	2	12
Mold	Broncoed	1,987	4	
	East	1,520	4	
	South	2,126	4	
	West	2,029	4	16
Mostyn	Mostyn	1,011	9	
	Rhewl	454	3	12
Nannerch		409	8	8
Nercwys		461	9	9
Northop	Northop	1,027	6	
	Sychdyn	1,468	7	13
Northop Hall		1,274	11	11
Penyffordd		3,035	10	10
Queensferry	Pentre	132	2	
	Queensferry	438	4	
	Sandycroft	953	7	13
Saltney	Mold Junction	972	5	
	Stonebridge	2,759	9	14
Sealand	East	900	4	
	West	1,303	8	12
Shotton	East	1,436	4	
	Higher	1,836	6	
	West	1,599	4	14
Trelawnyd & Gwaenysgor	Gwaenysgor	219	3	
	Trelawnyd	498	6	9
Treuddyn		1,306	11	11
Whitford	Carmel	1,534	10	
	Whitford	356	3	13
Ysceifiog		1,032	10	10
<b>Totals</b>		<b>118,061</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>441</b>

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Argoed	East	1,647	5	329.4	16	Removal of the warding arrangement Reduction in Councillor numbers						
	New Brighton	885	3	295.0								
	South	552	2	276.0								
	West	1,525	6	254.2					4,609	14	329.2	14
Bagillt	East	1,501	7	214.4	14	No changes	East	1,501	7	214.4	14	
	West	1,643	7	234.7			West	1,643	7	234.7		
Broughton and Bretton	East	858	2	429.0	14	Transfer properties in the Old Warren that is currently part of Penyffordd Community Council Alteration to the warding arrangements	North East	1,749	5	349.8	14	
	North	891	4	222.8			South	2,914	9	323.8		
	South	2,845	8	355.6								
Brynford		853	10	85.3	10	No changes		853	10	85.3	10	
Buckley	Bistre East	2,729	5	545.8	18	C	Bistre East	2,729	5	545.8	20	
	Bistre West	3,370	6	561.7			Bistre West	3,370	5	674.0		
	Mountain	2,342	2	1171.0			Mountain	2,342	4	585.5		
	Pentrobin	3,736	5	747.2			Pentrobin	3,736	6	622.7		
Caerwys		1,025	11	93.2	11	No changes		1,025	11	93.2	11	
Cilcain	Cilcain	580	6	96.7	12	No changes	Cilcain	580	6	96.7	12	
	Rhydymwyn	565	6	94.2			Rhydymwyn	565	6	94.2		
Connah's Quay	Central	2,523	5	504.6	20	Alteration to the warding arrangements Transfer properties from Golftyn and South wards to Central ward Redistribution of councillors across the wards	Central	3,678	6	613.0	20	
	Golftyn	4,041	5	808.2			Golftyn	3,815	6	635.8		
	South	4,443	6	740.5			South	3,514	5	702.8		
	Wepre	1,760	4	440.0			Wepre	1,760	3	586.7		
Flint	Castle	1,579	4	394.8	18	Reduction in Councillor numbers	Castle	1,579	3	526.3	17	
	Coleshill	3,130	5	626.0			Coleshill	3,130	5	626.0		
	Oakenholt	2,165	4	541.3			Oakenholt	2,165	4	541.3		
	Trelawny	2,767	5	553.4			Trelawny	2,767	5	553.4		
Gwernaffield	Gwernaffield	784	6	130.7	12	No changes	Gwernaffield	784	6	130.7	12	
	Pantymwyn	832	6	138.7			Pantymwyn	832	6	138.7		
Gwenymynydd		925	11	84.1	11	No changes		925	11	84.1	11	
Halkyn	Halkyn	422	3	140.7	13	Alteration to the warding arrangements The new ward will need to be renamed	Halkyn				13	
	Pentre Halkyn	931	4	232.8			Rhesycae					
	Rhesycae	297	2	148.5			Rhosesmor	1404	8	175.5		
	Rhosesmor	685	4	171.3			Pentre Halkyn	931	5	186.2		
Hawarden	Aston	2,559	5	511.8	17	Alteration to the warding arrangements Transfer properties along Cross Tree Lane, Glynne Way and two properties on Moor Lane currently in Mancot ward. Reduction in Councillor numbers	Aston	2,559	4	639.8	16	
	Ewloe	4,218	4	1054.5			Ewloe	4,218	6	703.0		
	Hawarden	1,532	3	510.7			Hawarden	1,560	2	780.0		
	Mancot	2,718	5	543.6			Mancot	2,690	4	672.5		
Higher Kinnerton		1,283	9	142.6	9	No changes		1,271	9	141.2	9	
Holywell	Central	1,485	4	371.3	17	Reduction in Councillor numbers	Central	1,485	3	495.0	15	
	East	1,408	4	352.0			East	1,408	3	469.3		
	Greenfield	2,114	5	422.8			Greenfield	2,114	5	422.8		
	West	1,858	4	464.5			West	1,858	4	464.5		

Hope	Caergwrle	1,289	6	214.8	14	Alteration to the warding arrangements	Caergwrle	1,447	6	241.2	13
	Hope	1,997	8	249.6			Reduction in Councillor numbers	Hope	1,865	7	
Leeswood	Leeswood	1,365	11	124.1	13	No changes	Leeswood	1,365	11	124.1	13
	Pontblyddyn	239	2	119.5			Pontblyddyn	239	2	119.5	
Llanasa	Axton	826	4	206.5	15	Reduction in Councillor numbers	Axton	826	3	275.3	14
	Ffynnongroyw	1,542	6	257.0			Ffynnongroyw	1,542	6	257.0	
	Gronant	1,249	5	249.8			Gronant	1,249	5	249.8	
Llanfynydd	Cefn y Bedd	409	4	102.3	12	Redistribution of Councillors across the wards	Cefn y Bedd	409	4	102.3	12
	Cymau	392	2	196.0			Cymau	392	3	130.7	
	Ffrith	469	4	117.3			Ffrith	469	3	156.3	
	Pontybodkin	204	2	102.0			Pontybodkin	204	2	102.0	
Mold	Broncoed	1,987	4	496.8	16	Alteration to the warding arrangements Transfer properties from West to East ward, South to West ward and Broncoed to South ward Amendment to external boundary transfer 13 properties from Halkyn Community Council	Broncoed	1,880	4	470.0	16
	East	1,520	4	380.0			East	2,047	4	511.8	
	South	2,126	4	531.5			South	1,935	4	483.8	
	West	2,029	4	507.3			West	1,822	4	455.5	
Mostyn	Mostyn	1,011	9	112.3	12	Reduction in Councillor numbers	Mostyn	1,011	8	126.4	11
	Rhewl	454	3	151.3			Rhewl	454	3	151.3	
Nannerch		409	8	51.1	8	No changes		409	8	51.1	8
Nercwys		461	9	51.2	9	No changes		461	9	51.2	9
Northop	Northop	1,027	6	171.2	13	No changes	Northop	1,027	6	171.2	13
	Sychdyn	1,468	7	209.7			Sychdyn	1,468	7	209.7	
Northop Hall		1,274	11	115.8	11	No changes		1,274	11	115.8	11
Penyffordd		3,035	10	303.5	10	Amendment to external boundary transfer 26 properties from Penyffordd Community Council to Broughton and Bretton Community Council. Transfer 6 properties from Higher Kinnerton Community Council to Penyffordd Community Council and transfer 1 property from Leeswood Community Council to Penyffordd Community Council. Increase the Councillor numbers.		2,980	13	229.2	13
Queensferry	Pentre	132	2	66.0	13	Alteration to the warding arrangements The new ward will need to be renamed Reduction in Councillor numbers	Pentre				12
	Queensferry	438	4	109.5			Queensferry	570	5	114.0	
	Sandycroft	953	7	136.1			Sandycroft	953	7	136.1	
Saltney	Mold Junction	972	5	194.4	14	Alteration to the warding arrangements Reduction in Councillor numbers	East	1,786	6	297.7	13
	Stonebridge	2,759	9	306.6			West	2,095	7	299.3	
Sealand	East	900	4	225.0	12	Removal of the warding arrangement Increase the Councillor numbers				13	
	West	1,303	8	162.9				2,203	13		169.5
Shotton	East	1,436	4	359.0	14	No changes	East	1,436	4	359.0	14
	Higher	1,836	6	306.0			Higher	1,836	6	306.0	
	West	1,599	4	399.8			West	1,599	4	399.8	
Trelawnyd & Gwaenysgor	Gwaenysgor	219	3	73.0	9	No changes	Gwaenysgor	219	3	73.0	9
	Trelawnyd	498	6	83.0			Trelawnyd	498	6	83.0	
Treuddyn		1,306	11	118.7	11	No changes		1,306	11	118.7	11
Whitford	Carmel	1,534	10	153.4	13	Reduction in Councillor numbers	Carmel	1,534	10	153.4	12
	Whitford	356	3	118.7			Whitford	356	2	178.0	
Ysceifiog		1,032	10	103.2	10	No changes		1,032	10	103.2	10
		<b>118,061</b>	<b>441</b>		<b>441</b>			<b>118,261</b>	<b>435</b>		<b>435</b>

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Argoed	East	1,647	5	329.4	16	Alteration to the warding arrangements. The new wards to be renamed Argoed and New Brighton. Reduction in Councillor numbers by 2.	Argoed	2,199	7	314.1	14			
	New Brighton	885	3	295.0										
	South	552	2	276.0										
	West	1,525	6	254.2										
Bagillt	East	1,501	7	214.4	14	No changes.	East	1,501	7	214.4	14			
	West	1,643	7	234.7			West	1,643	7	234.7				
Broughton and Bretton	East	858	2	429.0	14	Transfer properties in the Old Warren that is currently part of Penyffordd Community Council. Alteration to the warding arrangements.	North East	1,749	5	349.8	14			
	North	891	4	222.8			South	2,914	9	323.8				
	South	2,845	8	355.6										
Brynford		853	10	85.3	10	No changes.		853	10	85.3	10			
Buckley	Bistre East	2,729	5	545.8	18	Increase the Councillor numbers by 2.	Bistre East	2,729	5	545.8	20			
	Bistre West	3,370	6	561.7			Bistre West	3,370	5	674.0				
	Mountain	2,342	2	1171.0			Mountain	2,342	4	585.5				
	Pentrobin	3,736	5	747.2			Pentrobin	3,736	6	622.7				
Caerwys		1,025	11	93.2	11	No changes.		1,025	11	93.2	11			
Cilcain	Cilcain	580	6	96.7	12	No changes.	Cilcain	580	6	96.7	12			
	Rhydymwyn	565	6	94.2			Rhydymwyn	565	6	94.2				
Connah's Quay	Central	2,523	5	504.6	20	Redistribution of councillors across the wards	Central	2,523	4	630.8	20			
	Golftyn	4,041	5	808.2			Golftyn	4,041	6	673.5				
	South	4,443	6	740.5			South	4,443	7	634.7				
	Wepre	1,760	4	440.0			Wepre	1,760	3	586.7				
Flint	Castle	1,579	4	394.8	18	Reduction from 4 to 3 Councillors for the Castle ward.	Castle	1,579	3	526.3	17			
	Coleshill	3,130	5	626.0			Coleshill	3,130	5	626.0				
	Oakenholt	2,165	4	541.3			Oakenholt	2,165	4	541.3				
	Trelawny	2,767	5	553.4			Trelawny	2,767	5	553.4				
Gwernaffield	Gwernaffield	784	6	130.7	12	No changes.	Gwernaffield	784	6	130.7	12			
	Pantymwyn	832	6	138.7			Pantymwyn	832	6	138.7				
Gwenymynydd		925	11	84.1	11	No changes.		925	11	84.1	11			
Halkyn	Halkyn	422	3	140.7	13	Alteration to the warding arrangements. The new ward being named Halkyn Mountain. Alteration to external boundary with Mold.	Halkyn Mountain	1378	8	172.3	13			
	Pentre Halkyn	931	4	232.8			Pentre Halkyn					931	5	186.2
	Rhesycae	297	2	148.5										
	Rhosesmor	685	4	171.3										
Hawarden	Aston	2,559	5	511.8	17	Increase the Councillor numbers in the Ewloe Ward by 3.	Aston	2,559	5	511.8	20			
	Ewloe	4,218	4	1054.5			Ewloe	4,218	7	602.6				
	Hawarden	1,532	3	510.7			Hawarden	1,532	3	510.7				
	Mancot	2,718	5	543.6			Mancot	2,718	5	543.6				
Higher Kinnerton		1,283	9	142.6	9	Alteration to the external boundary.		2,718	9	302.0	9			
Holywell	Central	1,485	4	371.3	17	Reduction in Councillor numbers by 2.	Central	1,485	3	495.0	15			
	East	1,408	4	352.0			East	1,408	3	469.3				
	Greenfield	2,114	5	422.8			Greenfield	2,114	5	422.8				
	West	1,858	4	464.5			West	1,858	4	464.5				
Hope	Caergwrle	1,289	6	214.8		Alteration to the external boundary.	Caergwrle	1,447	6	241.2				

	Hope	1,997	8	249.6	14	Redrawing the internal boundary.	Hope	1,865	8	233.1	14
Leeswood	Leeswood	1,365	11	124.1	13	Alteration to the external boundary.	Leeswood	1,365	11	124.1	13
		Pontblyddyn	239	2			119.5	Pontblyddyn	239	2	
Llanasa	Axton	826	4	206.5	15	Reduction in Councillor numbers by 1.	Axton	826	3	275.3	14
	Ffynnongroyw	1,542	6	257.0			Ffynnongroyw	1,542	6	257.0	
	Gronant	1,249	5	249.8			Gronant	1,249	5	249.8	
Llanfynydd	Cefn y Bedd	409	4	102.3	12	Redistribution of Councillors across the wards.	Cefn y Bedd	409	4	102.3	12
	Cymau	392	2	196.0			Cymau	392	3	130.7	
	Ffrith	469	4	117.3			Ffrith	469	3	156.3	
	Pontybodkin	204	2	102.0			Pontybodkin	204	2	102.0	
Mold	Broncoed	1,987	4	496.8	16	Alteration to the warding arrangements. Transfer properties from West to East ward, South to West ward and Broncoed to South ward Amendment to external boundary transfer 13 properties from Halkyn Community Council.	Broncoed	1,880	4	470.0	16
	East	1,520	4	380.0			East	2,047	4	511.8	
	South	2,126	4	531.5			South	1,935	4	483.8	
	West	2,029	4	507.3			West	1,822	4	455.5	
Mostyn	Mostyn	1,011	9	112.3	12	Reduction in Councillor numbers by 1.	Mostyn	1,011	8	126.4	11
	Rhewl	454	3	151.3			Rhewl	454	3	151.3	
Nannerch		409	8	51.1	8	No changes.		409	8	51.1	8
Nercwys		461	9	51.2	9	No changes.		461	9	51.2	9
Northop	Northop	1,027	6	171.2	13	No changes.	Northop	1,027	6	171.2	13
	Sychdyn	1,468	7	209.7			Sychdyn	1,468	7	209.7	
Northop Hall		1,274	11	115.8	11	No changes.		1,274	11	115.8	11
Penyffordd		3,035	10	303.5	10	Amendment to external boundary transfer 26 properties from Penyffordd Community Council to Broughton and Bretton Community Council. Transfer 6 properties from Higher Kinnerton Community Council to Penyffordd Community Council and transfer 1 property from Leeswood Community Council to Penyffordd Community Council and several properties from Hope Community Council. Increase the Councillor numbers by 3.		2,980	13	229.2	13
Queensferry	Pentre	132	2	66.0	13	Alteration to the warding arrangements. The new ward will be renamed Queensferry. Reduction in Councillor numbers by 1.					
	Queensferry	438	4	109.5			Queensferry	570	5	114.0	
	Sandycroft	953	7	136.1			Sandycroft	953	7	136.1	
Saltney	Mold Junction	972	5	194.4	14	Redistribution of councillors across the wards.	Mold Junction	972	4	243.0	14
	Stonebridge	2,759	9	306.6			Stonebridge	2,759	10	275.9	
Sealand	East	900	4	225.0	12	Removal of the warding arrangements. Increase the Councillor numbers by 1.					
	West	1,303	8	162.9				2,203	13	169.5	
Shotton	East	1,436	4	359.0	14	No changes.	East	1,436	4	359.0	14
	Higher	1,836	6	306.0			Higher	1,836	6	306.0	
	West	1,599	4	399.8			West	1,599	4	399.8	
Trelawnyd & Gwaenysgor	Gwaenysgor	219	3	73.0	9	No changes.	Gwaenysgor	219	3	73.0	9
	Trelawnyd	498	6	83.0			Trelawnyd	498	6	83.0	
Treuddyn		1,306	11	118.7	11	No changes.		1,306	11	118.7	11
Whitford	Carmel	1,534	10	153.4	13	Removal of the warding arrangements. Reduction in Councillor numbers by 1.					
	Whitford	356	3	118.7				1,890	12	157.5	
Ysceifiog		1,032	10	103.2	10	No changes.		1,032	10	103.2	10
		<b>118,061</b>	<b>441</b>		<b>441</b>			<b>117,333</b>	<b>441</b>		<b>441</b>

## APPENDIX 6

<b>Town / Community Councils</b>
Bagillt Community Council
Broughton and Bretton Community Council
Buckley Town Council
Connah's Quay Town Council
Flint Town Council
Halkyn Community Council
Hawarden Community Council
Holywell Town Council
Llanasa Community Council
Mold Town Council
Mostyn Community Council
Nannerch Community Council
Northop Community Council
Northop Hall Community Council
Penyffordd Community Council
Sealand Community Council
Trelawnyd & Gwaenysgor Community Council
Whitford Community Council
<b>County Councillors</b>
Councillor D. Mackie – Ewloe
Councillor C. Carver – Hawarden
Councillor H. Bateman – Mold Broncoed
Councillor D. Williams – Penyffordd
Councillor N. Steele – Mortimer - Trelawnyd & Gwaenysgor
<b>Residents</b>
K. Young – Flint Mountain
Mrs. G. Harrsion - Greenfield
Mr & Mrs. Thomas – Penyffordd
Mrs. V. Socha – Penyffordd
Mrs. Auty – Greenfield