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Date: 31st October, 2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

A meeting of the **CABINET** will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Nuneaton, on **Wednesday, 8th November 2023** at **6.00 p.m.**

The public can follow the decision making online:-
www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk/virtual-meeting.

Please note that meetings are recorded for future broadcast.

Yours faithfully,

BRENT DAVIS

Chief Executive

To: Members of Cabinet

Councillor K. Wilson (Leader of the Council and Business and Regeneration)
Councillor C. Golby (Deputy Leader and Housing and Communities)
Councillor S. Croft (Finance and Corporate)
Councillor S. Markham (Public Services)
Councillor R. Smith (Planning and Regulation)
Councillor J. Gutteridge (Health and Environment)

Also invited:

Councillor C. Watkins (Leader of the Main Opposition Group and Observer)

AGENDA

PART I

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. EVACUATION PROCEDURE

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I would also advise that all or part of the meeting will be live streamed and recorded for future broadcast.

2. APOLOGIES - To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

Declaring interests at meetings

If there is any item of business to be discussed at the meeting in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest (Other Interests), you must declare the interest appropriately at the start of the meeting or as soon as you become aware that you have an interest.

Arrangements have been made for interests that are declared regularly by members to be appended to the agenda (**Page 6**). Any interest noted in the Schedule at the back of the agenda papers will be deemed to have been declared and will be minuted as such by the Committee Services Officer. As a general rule, there will, therefore, be no need for those Members to declare those interests as set out in the schedule.

There are, however, TWO EXCEPTIONS to the general rule:

1. When the interest amounts to a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest that is engaged in connection with any item on the agenda and the member feels that the interest is such that they must leave the room. Prior to leaving the room, the member must inform the meeting that they are doing so, to ensure that it is recorded in the minutes.

2. Where a dispensation has been granted to vote and/or speak on an item where there is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, but it is not referred to in the Schedule (where for example, the dispensation was granted by the Monitoring Officer immediately prior to the meeting). The existence and nature of the dispensation needs to be recorded in the minutes and will, therefore, have to be disclosed at an appropriate time to the meeting.

Note: Following the adoption of the new Code of Conduct, Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interests at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary or a Deemed Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, the Member must withdraw from the room.

Where a Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest but has received a dispensation from Audit and Standards Committee, that Member may vote and/or speak on the matter (as the case may be) and must disclose the existence of the dispensation and any restrictions placed on it at the time the interest is declared.

Where a Member has a Deemed Disclosable Interest as defined in the Code of Conduct, the Member may address the meeting as a member of the public as set out in the Code.

Note: Council Procedure Rules require Members with Disclosable Pecuniary Interests to withdraw from the meeting unless a dispensation allows them to remain to vote and/or speak on the business giving rise to the interest.

Where a Member has a Deemed Disclosable Interest, the Council's Code of Conduct permits public speaking on the item, after which the Member is required by Council Procedure Rules to withdraw from the meeting.

4. MINUTES - To confirm the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on the 11th October 2023 **(Page 9)**
5. PUBLIC CONSULTATION – Members of the Public will be given the opportunity to speak on specific agenda items if notice has been received.
6. PINGLES LEISURE CENTRE & PINGLES STADIUM DECARBONISATION SCHEME SUBMISSION report of the Assistant Director – Recreation and Culture attached **(Page 14)**
7. POLLING DISTRICT AND POLLING PLACE REVIEW report of the Head of Elections attached **(Page 21)**
8. GENERAL FUND BUDGET MONITORING Q2 report of the Strategic Director – Finance and Governance to follow
9. HRA BUDGET MONITORING Q2 report of the Strategic Director – Finance and Governance to follow
10. CAPITAL MONITORING Q2 report of the Strategic Director – Finance and Governance to follow

11. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANELS
None
12. ANY OTHER ITEMS - which in the opinion of the Chair of the meeting should be considered as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances (which must be specified)
13. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS
RECOMMENDED that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, it being likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information of the description specified in paragraph 3 and 5 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act.
14. REVISED GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS report of the Strategic Director – Finance and Governance
15. REGENERATION PROJECTS UPDATE – LAND AT VICARAGE STREET report of the Strategic Director – Economy & Transformation

Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council

Building A Better Borough

Nuneaton and Bedworth 2032: working in partnership, restoring pride in our borough

AIM 1: LIVE

We want to make our borough a place where our residents enjoy living and in which others choose to make their home.

Priority 1: Promote residents' health and wellbeing

Priority 2: Enable appropriate housing development

Priority 3: Sponsor a sustainable green approach

Priority 4: Prioritise community safety and empowerment

AIM 2: WORK

Using our prime location within the national road and rail networks and responding to the needs of private companies, we want to make our borough a place in which businesses choose to locate and where our residents enjoy a range of employment options.

Priority 1: Grow a strong and inclusive economy

Priority 2: Champion education and skills

Priority 3: Embrace new and emerging technology

Priority 4: Support local businesses

AIM 3: VISIT

Taking advantage of our open green spaces, our heritage, and our location within the West Midlands, we want our borough to be a vibrant destination for residents and visitors alike. A place where people and families want to spend time relaxing, socialising and taking part in leisure and cultural activities.

Priority 1: Create vibrant and diverse town centres

Priority 2: Stimulate regeneration

Priority 3: Celebrate and promote our heritage

Priority 4: Improve the physical environment

Cabinet - Schedule of Declarations of Interests – 2023/2024

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	C. Golby		Member of Warwickshire County Council Membership of Other Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton and Bedworth Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership • Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd. • Nuneaton and Bedworth Home Improvement Agency • Safer Warwickshire Partnership Board • Warwickshire Housing and Support Partnership • Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel • George Eliot Hospital 	

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	J. Gutteridge		Representative on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warwickshire Health and Wellbeing Board • Age UK (Warwickshire Branch) • Committee of Management of Hartshill and Nuneaton Recreation Ground • West Midlands Combined Authority Wellbeing Board Member of NABCEL	
	S. Markham	County Councillor – WCC (Portfolio Holder for Children’s Services)	Governor at Ash Green School Member of the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton and Bedworth Sports Forum • Warwickshire Direct Partnership • Warwickshire Waste Partnership • Sherbourne Asset Co Shareholder Committee • Hammersley, Smith and Orton Charities 	
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NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

11th October 2023

A meeting of Cabinet was held on Wednesday 11th October, 2023 in the Council Chamber which was recorded and uploaded onto the Council's website.

Present

Councillor K. Wilson (Leader and Business and Regeneration)
Councillor C. Golby (Deputy Leader and Housing and Communities)
Councillor S. Croft (Finance and Corporate)
Councillor J. Gutteridge (Health and Environment)
Councillor S. Markham (Public Services)
Councillor R. Smith (Planning and Regulation)

CB52 **Apologies**
None

CB53 **Declarations of Interest**
RESOLVED that the Declarations of Interest for this meeting are as set out in the Schedule attached to these minutes.

CB54 **Minutes**
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 6th September 2023, be approved, and signed by the Chair with the following amendment:

Councillor K. Wilson (Leader and Business and Regeneration) be added to the list of attendees.

CB55 **Housing Revenue Account – Consultancy Support (Design & Surveying)**
The Assistant Director – Social Housing & Community Safety provided a report seeking approval for the undertaking of the Design, Surveying and Consultancy Support contract via a Teckal agreement with NABCEL.

RESOLVED that

- a) the Council enters into a Teckal agreement with NABCEL for the provision of Design, Surveying and Consultancy Support; and
- b) Delegated Authority be given to the Assistant Directors – Governance & Democracy and Social Housing & Community Safety to establish that agreement.

Speakers:

None

Options

1. To enter into a Teckal agreement with NABCEL
2. To not accept this proposal and procure through a procurement route

Reasons

Statutory cover to ensure the Council is meeting its requirements in regard to Construction, Design and Management Regulations, and demonstrating value for money on contract delivery.

CB56 **Recommendations From Overview and Scrutiny Panels**

None

CB57 **Any Other Items**

None

Chair

PUBLICATION DATE: 16TH OCTOBER 2023

DECISIONS COME INTO FORCE: 24TH OCTOBER 2023

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Report Summary Sheet

Date: 8th November 2023

Subject: Pingles Leisure Centre & Pingles Stadium Decarbonisation Scheme Submission

Portfolio: Public Services (Councillor S. Markham)

From: Assistant Director - Recreation & Culture and Plant Maintenance & Energy Officer

Summary:

This report provides Cabinet with an overview of the Council applying for Government funding and Sport England funds to support new commercial heating systems within the Pingles Leisure Centre and the Pingles Stadium. If successful it would also benefit by the modernisation of these essential building traditional heating services, which are now at the end of their shelf life and take advantage of renewable technologies that the Decarbonisation Scheme's scope of improvements will enable the Council to realise across two financial years.

Recommendation:

1. That delegated authority be given to the Strategic Directors for Finance & Governance and Public Services in consultation with the Assistant Director for Recreation & Culture and the Portfolio Holders for Public Services and Health & Environment to accept a large-scale funding award to deliver the Pingles Leisure Centre & Pingles Stadium Decarbonisation Scheme project.
2. That delegated authority be given to the Strategic Directors for Finance & Governance and Public Services in consultation with the Assistant Director for Recreation & Culture and the Portfolio Holders for Public Services and Health & Environment to deliver the Pingles Leisure Centre & Pingles Stadium Decarbonisation project.
3. That subject to the outcome of the external funding submissions and recommendations from Cabinet the Capital Programme be updated to include this work if approved.

Options:

- a) Accept the recommendation/s in full.
- b) Do not accept the recommendation/s

Reasons:

A successful bid will address the current serious pressures of the mechanical & electrical (M&E) systems within The Pingles Leisure Centre and the Pingles Stadium being past their expected lifespans and the aging of this plant reducing the operational reliance's and building performance for the residents and visitors alike.

A bid to decarbonise the assets and fully modernise the crucial energy consuming plant will provide a sustainable and energy efficient future for the sites for the next 20 plus years to come.

Consultation undertaken with Members/Officers/Stakeholders

Chief Executive
 Strategic Directors - Finance and Governance and Public Services
 Assistant Director – Planning
 Portfolio Holder - Public Services
 Portfolio Holder – Health & Environment

Subject to call-in: Yes

Ward relevance: All Wards

Forward plan: Yes

Building A Better Borough Aim 1: Live

Priority 1: Promote residents' health and wellbeing

Relevant statutes or policy:

Leisure Facilities Needs Assessment Strategy.
 Climate Change Emergency Declaration Policy

Equalities Implications:

No direct equal opportunities implications

Human resources implications:

None at this time.

Financial implications:

Project cost Projections (Pre-bid ready).

Full Project delivery cost - £3,914,614.00

Bid Submission Grant Value Split:

Year 1 Financial Year 2024/25 - £1,722,430.00

Year 2 Financial Year 2025/26 - £1,722,430.00

Total Bid Submission Grant Value allowed - £3,444,860.00

Total mandatory Applicant Contribution (maximum level of 12%) - £469,754.00

Health Inequalities Implications:

The adopted Leisure Facilities Needs Assessment Strategy supports the Council's Building a Better Borough in improving health and wellbeing by providing opportunities and facilities for residents to access and take part in physical activity at all levels across the Borough.

Section 17 Crime & Disorder Implications:

The improved provision of leisure facilities across the Borough continues to provide opportunities for more residents to take part in physical activities.

Risk management implications:

The Project is already technically pre-designed to produce and make a viable bid that fits the set criteria and the ideal equipment to install selected. Once project awarded via our Procurement processes with the designated Framework (Lexica), then the complete design finalisation will commence immediately, and orders placed thereafter via the set purchase agreements of the Decarbonisation Scheme and the Council's financial compliance directives.

The Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme's Phase 3c is expected to be heavily oversubscribed in bid potential submissions and therefore, there are no guarantees that our funding submission will be successful - if unsuccessful then the Council will need to find capital funds to replace the M&E / Plant within the near future and estimate this to be in the region of £1M/£1.5M replace like for like.

Environmental implications:

The Council declared a climate emergency on 4 December 2019 and has since been working hard to lower its carbon and energy consumption and previously over many years of delivered successful energy efficiency project outcomes. The decarbonisation of heat at the Pingles Leisure Centre & Pingles Stadium will support both reductions in energy costs and provide a further 20-year lifespan for the plant at the Pingles / Stadium facilities.

Legal implications:

Standard Procurement rules and Legal Terms & Conditions apply through the Decarbonisation Scheme's administrator's - Salix Finance (on behalf of the Government).

If successful, the submission to Sport England as well will need to meet their awards permissions and contract requirements.

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AGENDA ITEM NO: 6

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to: 8th November 2023

From: Assistant Director - Recreation and Culture and Plant Maintenance & Energy Officer

Subject: Pingles Leisure Centre & Pingles Stadium Decarbonisation Scheme Submission

Portfolio: Public Services (Councillor S. Markham)

Building A Better Borough

Aim 1: Live

Priority 1: Promote residents' health and wellbeing

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report provides Cabinet with an overview of the Council applying for Government funding and Sport England funds to support new commercial heating systems within the Pingles Leisure Centre and the Pingles Stadium. If successful it would also benefit by the modernisation of these essential building traditional heating services, which are now at the end of their shelf life and take advantage of renewable technologies that the Decarbonisation Scheme's scope of improvements will enable Council to realise across two financial years.

- 1.2 Successful bids to the Governments Fund and Sport England's Swimming Pool Fund will support the Council in replacing the current M&E systems within The Pingles Leisure centre and the Pingles Stadium being past their expected lifespans and the aging of this plant, reducing the operational reliance's and building performance for the residents and visitors alike.
- 1.3 A bid to decarbonise the assets and fully modernise the crucial energy consuming plant will provide a sustainable and energy efficient future for the sites for the next 20 plus years to come.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That delegated authority be given to the Strategic Directors for Finance & Governance and Public Services in consultation with the Assistant Director for Recreation & Culture and the Portfolio Holders for Public Services and Health & Environment to accept a large-scale funding award to deliver the Pingles Leisure Centre & Pingles Stadium Decarbonisation Scheme project.
- 2.2 That delegated authority be given to the Strategic Directors for Finance & Governance and Public Services in consultation with the Assistant Director for Recreation & Culture and the Portfolio Holders for Public Services and Health & Environment to deliver the Pingles Leisure Centre & Pingles Stadium Decarbonisation project.
- 2.3 That subject to the outcome of the external funding submissions and recommendations from Cabinet the Capital Programme be updated to include this work if approved.

3. Project Background

- 3.1 A review of Council owned leisure facilities took place in 2019, as part of the Councils Leisure Facility Needs Assessment to assess and understand the long-term conditions and landscape of the leisure provision within the Borough. This was reported to cabinet on 18th December 2019, and it was approved that given its age and relatively short remaining effective life, the renewal of Bedworth Leisure Centre be set as the key priority in the delivery of leisure facilities strategy which has subsequently commenced in the form of Bedworth Physical Activity Hub (BPAH).
- 3.2 As part of this review, cabinet approved to review an enhancement or replacement of Pingles Leisure Centre and for it to be moved to RIBA design stage 1, which occurred. This resulted that given the needs going forward a replacement new facility at that time would be more efficient use of any funds available. This was also supported by Sport England as a critical friend in this work.
- 3.3 Whilst the borough council and its leisure partner constantly strive to provide the best outcomes for residents, the Council is in the unenviable position

- that the unavoidable aging building conditions at each leisure centre have created extreme pressures on the Council's budgets. The Pingles, although young in comparative years with a minimum 25–30-year future, is now facing large spend pressures of its own and in particular, the end-of-life spans for our fossil fuel heating system, the supporting Combined Heat & Power [CHP] and the energy building control of the Building Energy Management System.
- 3.4 The Pingles is fast approaching 23 years old and so the original build plant has now obsolete gas boilers that parts are no longer available for. The CHP reaches its end-of-life term in November 2023 and its future may just have a little extension time after that, but it will become an uneconomical system to service and maintain in a short time to come.
 - 3.5 On site circumstances have highlighted the need to outline and report on the current negative situations concerning the future provisions of essential mechanical and equipment (M&E) services within the Pingles Leisure Centre. Under the national criteria of life cycles, the heating plant has exceeded CIBSE's (Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers) recommended economic serviceable life and require replacing with new and more efficient heating plant to provide a safe and reliable hot water supply.
 - 3.6 The risks of provisions failure have heightened which can lead to increased loss of heat and interrupted services to the customers or even intermittent closures to the Leisure Centre on temperature parameters not being reached in the pools and ambient areas.
 - 3.7 A research and development plan for the Pingles Leisure Centre and including the Pingles Stadium has identified and tasked a Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS) 3c bid production that will provide the Council in submitting an application and meeting all the set criteria's and can radically change the Pingles Leisure Centre & the Pingles Stadium to venture forward to a secure and sustainable net zero future.

4. Current Status – funding opportunities

- 4.1 Phase 3 of the PSDS , worth £1.425bn, was launched by Salix on behalf of the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero in 2021. Further funding opportunity also exists through Sport England as part of its Swimming Pool Fund also recently launch for partners to apply.
- 4.2 The PSDS provides grants for public sector bodies to fund heat decarbonisation and energy efficiency measures. - An additional financial year of funding has been granted by the Department for Phase 3c. This funding increases the value of the overall funding to the scheme and will enable Phase 3c projects to deliver across two financial years.
- 4.3 Phase 3c of the PSDS has up to £230 million available in 2024/25. The budget available in 2025/26 will be confirmed this autumn though applicants should assume a broadly balanced profile across 2024/25 and 2025/26.

4.4 This scheme continues its task to reduce fossil fuels as well as making public buildings more comfortable and more efficient to warm.

4.5 Suggest we include some of the details for Sport England criteria here as well.

5. Finance Implications

5.1

Financial implications:

Project cost Projections (Pre-bid ready).

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Grant Value Split:

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Total Grant Value allowed - £3,444,860.00

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Assistant Director - Recreation and Culture

John Sweeny
Plant Maintenance & Energy Officer

Appendices

None supplied

Report Summary Sheet

Date: 8th November 2023

Subject: Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

Portfolio: Finance and Corporate (Councillor S. Croft)

From: Chief Executive

Summary: Following the Ward Boundary Review, and under statutory duty to do so, the Council is required to update its scheme of polling districts and polling places to ensure “reasonable facilities for voting”. A consultation exercise has led to the set of proposals as Appendix A to this report.

Recommendations:

- 2.1 That Cabinet recommend to council, that the scheme of polling districts and polling places at Appendix A to this report is approved
- 2.2 That delegated authority is given to the Chief Executive in their role as Returning Officer to make minor amendments to this scheme in order to provide suitable facilities for voting at short notice, following consultation with group leaders

Options:

1 – (Recommended) Recommend that the attached scheme is approved by Council as is;

2 – Make recommendations for changes to the attached scheme as Cabinet sees fit, for Council to approve;

3 – Ask officers to produce a further report at a later date with amendments to the attached scheme.

Reasons:

In order to implement this scheme of polling districts ahead of the publication of the revised register of electors on 1st December 2023 (the register used for the elections in May)

Consultation undertaken with Members/Officers/Stakeholders

Significant consultation has been undertaken with members, firstly on a ward-by-ward basis, setting out initial proposals. Following suggestions by members and officers, further work has been undertaken to merge polling districts and investigate new venues. The proposed scheme takes account of the feedback received during the consultation.

Subject to call-in:

No – as, should cabinet agree to make recommendations, this is a decision for full Council on 15th November 2023

Ward relevance: All Wards

Forward plan: Yes, this report was placed on the forward plan in June 2023

Building a Better Borough Aim: N/A

Building a Better Borough Priority: N/A

Relevant statutes or policy:

S18C. Representation of the People Act 1983

Equalities Implications: As detailed in the report, a number of local disability organisations have been consulted as part of this report, and feedback incorporated into the proposed scheme. There are no other equalities impacts relating to this decision.

(Does this require an Equalities Impact Assessment? If so, please append.)

No.

Human resources implications:

N/A

Financial implications:

Provision of polling station venues is managed from within the existing elections budget. Any increase in polling station costs can be managed within this budget.

Health Inequalities Implications:

N/A

Section 17 Crime & Disorder Implications:

N/A

Risk management implications:

N/A

Environmental implications:

N/A

Legal implications:

Failure to conduct this review in accordance with S18C of the Representation of the People Act 1983 could lead to this decision being appealed to the Electoral Commission, who may order the council to undertake this exercise again, or direct the Council to make changes to the scheme.

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AGENDA ITEM NO 7.

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to: Cabinet -

From: Chief Executive

Subject: Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

Portfolio: Finance and Corporate (Councillor S. Croft)

Building a Better Borough Aim: 1 – Live

Building a Better Borough Priority: N/A

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 Under the Representation of the People Act 1983, the Council is now required to carry out a review of polling districts, polling places and polling station
- 1.2 This review is also required now due to the implementation of the Local Government Boundary Commission's (LGBCE) review of the borough's ward boundaries, which will be implemented at the elections on 2nd May 2024.
- 1.3 This report sets out a new scheme of polling districts and polling places to be used at all elections going forward.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That Cabinet recommend to council, that the scheme of polling districts and polling places at Appendix A to this report is approved
- 2.2 That delegated authority is given to the Chief Executive in their role as Returning Officer to make minor amendments to this scheme in order to provide suitable facilities for voting at short notice, following consultation with group leaders

3. Background

- 3.1 The council is required to publish a scheme of polling districts and polling places. The last full review of this scheme was carried out in 2019.

3.2 The LGBCE review of ward boundaries has necessitated a review of polling district boundaries based on the new ward boundaries.

3.3 The Council is also required to revise its scheme of polling districts and polling places as per Electoral Commission guidance, which also sets out the relevant definitions and considerations for this kind of review, which officers have followed.

4. Body of Report

4.1 A polling district is a geographical sub-division of an electoral area, i.e. a UK Parliamentary constituency, a ward or an electoral division.

4.2 A polling place is a geographical area in which a polling station is located, usually the relevant building, or location where a temporary building will be situated during an election. Both the polling districts and polling places are the responsibility of the council to allocate, via the scheme of polling districts and polling places.

4.3 A polling station is the actual area where the process of voting takes place, and must be located within the polling place designated for the particular polling district. The arrangements for particular polling stations are the responsibility of the Returning Officer.

4.4 Officers have engaged in several rounds of consultation with members on what they believe the future polling districts for their wards should be. Where wards would be created, changed or deleted as part of the LGBCE review, officers have consulted with the relevant members for that geographical area.

4.5 This involved setting out an initial set of polling places for each ward, based on previous locations and feedback from previous elections.

4.6 A number of changes were then made at the suggestion of ward councillors. These included some merging of polling districts, alternative locations explored and in a small number of cases, additional polling places being used.

4.7 Following this stage, officers sent out communications to previous candidates, parties and agents as the relevant stakeholders in the electoral process, as well as launching a limited public consultation on these proposals, via the Council's website.

4.8 At the point of writing, there are a small number of locations where the exact location of a polling station (for example the exact location of a temporary polling station) is to be decided and agreed with the relevant landowners and highway authority. These are indicated within Appendix B (to follow).

- 4.8 The Electoral Commission guidance on carrying out these reviews also highlights the need for the Council to consult groups representing local disabled people, and officers have requested feedback from a number of locally-based organisations on our draft scheme of polling places and polling districts. A summary of the feedback from local parties, residents and local disability organisations is attached at Appendix B to this report.
- 4.9 Delegated authority is sought for the Chief Executive to make minor amendments as necessary to the scheme. This is necessary due to the possibility of some venues being unavailable at short notice. Group leaders would be consulted in this eventuality.
- 4.10 Following the decision by council, electors will be informed in a number of ways if their allocated polling station has changed.

5. Conclusion

- 5.1 That Cabinet recommend to Council that the proposed scheme is approved and implemented at all elections from 1st December 2023.

6. Appendices (if none, state none)

- 6.1 Appendix A – proposed scheme of polling districts and polling places
Appendix B – summary of feedback during consultation period (to follow)

7. Background Papers (if none, state none)

- 7.1 none

Polling District Reference	Ward	Proposed Polling Station	Notes - Polling Stations	County Division (for reference only)
ARA	Arbury	The Nuneaton Academy		Arbury
ARB	Arbury	Glendale Infant School		Arbury
ARC	Arbury	Frederick Warr House		Arbury
ARD	Arbury	Frederick Warr House		Arbury
ARE	Arbury	Bermuda Community Centre		Arbury
ARF	Arbury	Jubilee Centre		Stockingford
ARG	Arbury	Jubilee Centre		Nuneaton Abbey
ATA	Attleborough	Stan Williams Court		Attleborough
ATB	Attleborough	James Diskin Court		Attleborough
ATC	Attleborough	Hall End Housing Complex		Attleborough
ATD	Attleborough	Wem Brook Community Centre		Attleborough
ATE	Attleborough	Wem Brook Community Centre		Attleborough

Polling District Reference	Ward	Proposed Polling Station	Notes - Polling Stations	County Division (for reference only)
BEA	Bede	Pine Tree Centre		Bedworth Central
BEB	Bede	Pine Tree Centre		Bedworth Central
BEC	Bede	Pine Tree Centre		Bedworth East
BED	Bede	The Grove		Bedworth Central
BEE	Bede	The Canons CofE School		Bedworth Central
BEF	Bede	Eddie Miller Court		Bedworth Central
BEG	Bede	Bedworth Cricket Club		Bedworth Central
BEH	Bede	Armson Road/Butler Crescent - Cabin		Bedworth Central
BUA	Bulkington	St James CofE Academy		Bulkington & Whitestone
BUB	Bulkington	St James CofE Academy		Bulkington & Whitestone
BUC	Bulkington	Catholic Parish Hall		Bulkington & Whitestone
BUD	Bulkington	Bulkington Village Centre		Bulkington & Whitestone
BUE	Bulkington	Oakham Hall		Bulkington & Whitestone
BUF	Bulkington	Oakham Hall		Bulkington & Whitestone

Polling District Reference	Ward	Proposed Polling Station	Notes - Polling Stations	County Division (for reference only)
CCA	Chilvers Coton	Chilvers Coton School		Nuneaton Abbey
CCB	Chilvers Coton	Chilvers Coton School		Nuneaton Abbey
CCC	Chilvers Coton	Middlemarch School		Arbury
CCD	Chilvers Coton	All Saints Primary School		Arbury
CCE	Chilvers Coton	Wem Brook Community Centre		Attleborough
CCF	Chilvers Coton	Wem Brook Community Centre		Attleborough
CHA	Camp Hill	Community of Christ		Camp Hill
CHB	Camp Hill	Community of Christ		Camp Hill
CHC	Camp Hill	Craddock Court		Camp Hill
CHD	Camp Hill	Craddock Court		Camp Hill
CHE	Camp Hill	The CHESS Centre		Camp Hill
CHF	Camp Hill	The CHESS Centre		Camp Hill
CHG	Camp Hill	The CHESS Centre		Camp Hill

Polling District Reference	Ward	Proposed Polling Station	Notes - Polling Stations	County Division (for reference only)
EAA	Eastboro	To Be Confirmed		Weddington
EAB	Eastboro	To Be Confirmed		Nuneaton East
EAC	Eastboro	Cabin at Poplars Farm		Nuneaton East
EAD	Eastboro	Cabin at The Acorn		Nuneaton East
EAE	Eastboro	To Be Confirmed		Nuneaton East
EAF	Eastboro	To Be Confirmed		Nuneaton East
EXA	Exhall	Keresley Village Community Centre		Bedworth West
EXB	Exhall	Alwynne Freeman Court		Bedworth West
EXC	Exhall	Wheelwright Lane Primary School		Bedworth West
EXD	Exhall	Wheelwright Lane Primary School		Bedworth West
EXE	Exhall	John Haynes Court		Bedworth East

Polling District Reference	Ward	Proposed Polling Station	Notes - Polling Stations	County Division (for reference only)
GCA	Galley Common	Haunchwood Club		Galley Common
GCB	Galley Common	Haunchwood Club		Galley Common
GCC	Galley Common	Community of Christ		Camp Hill
GCD	Galley Common	Community of Christ		Galley Common
GCE	Galley Common	Community of Christ		Galley Common
GCF	Galley Common	Community of Christ		Galley Common
HEA	Heath	Bedworth Heath Community Centre		Bedworth North
HEB	Heath	Bedworth Heath Community Centre		Bedworth West
HEC	Heath	Newdigate Primary School		Bedworth North
HED	Heath	Newdigate Primary School		Bedworth West
HEE	Heath	Goodyers End Primary School		Bedworth West
HEF	Heath	Goodyers End Primary School		Bedworth West
HEG	Heath	Goodyers End Primary School		Bedworth Central

Polling District Reference	Ward	Proposed Polling Station	Notes - Polling Stations	County Division (for reference only)
MIA	Milby	Milby Primary School		Weddington
MIB	Milby	Milby Primary School		Weddington
MIC	Milby	Nuneaton Christian Fellowship		Weddington
POA	Poplar	All Saints CE Infant School		Bedworth East
POB	Poplar	Poets Corner		Bedworth East
POC	Poplar	Exhall Cedars Infant School		Bedworth East
POD	Poplar	Exhall Cedars Infant School		Bedworth East
POE	Poplar	Hawkesbury Village Meeting Place		Bedworth East
SEA	Stockingford East	Black-a-Tree Court		Stockingford
SEB	Stockingford East	Sunnyside Court		Stockingford
SEC	Stockingford East	Sunnyside Court		Stockingford
SED	Stockingford East	Jubilee Centre		Stockingford
SEE	Stockingford East	The Veterans Contact Point		Nuneaton Abbey
SEF	Stockingford East	Priory Court		Nuneaton Abbey

Polling District Reference	Ward	Proposed Polling Station	Notes - Polling Stations	County Division (for reference only)
SLA	Slough	Catherine Ward Hall		Bedworth North
SLB	Slough	Collycroft Methodist Church		Bedworth Central
SLC	Slough	Woodlands Working Mens Club		Bedworth North
SLD	Slough	Alderman Gee		Bedworth North
SLE	Slough	Alderman Gee		Bedworth Central
SMA	St Mary's	Camp Hill Family & Children Centre		Camp Hill
SMB	St Mary's	Windsor Court		Camp Hill
SMC	St Mary's	Abbey CE Infant School		Nuneaton Abbey
SMD	St Mary's	The Veterans Contact Point		Nuneaton Abbey
SME	St Mary's	Hatters Space Community Centre		Nuneaton Abbey
SMF	St Mary's	Sikh Mission Centre		Nuneaton Abbey
SMG	St Mary's	Town Hall		Nuneaton Abbey
SMH	St Mary's	Abbey CE Infant School		Weddington

Polling District Reference	Ward	Proposed Polling Station	Notes - Polling Stations	County Division (for reference only)
SNA	St Nicolas	Etone Sports Centre		Nuneaton East
SNB	St Nicolas	North Warks College		Nuneaton East
SNC	St Nicolas	North Warks College		Weddington
SND	St Nicolas	St Nicolas CE Academy		Weddington
SNE	St Nicolas	Horeston Grange		Nuneaton East
SWA	Stockingford West	Poppies Café		Galley Common
SWB	Stockingford West	Grove Farm Community Centre		Galley Common
SWC	Stockingford West	St Pauls Church		Galley Common
SWD	Stockingford West	Stockingford Academy		Stockingford
SWE	Stockingford West	Stockingford Community Centre		Stockingford
SWF	Stockingford West	Stockingford Community Centre		Stockingford

Polling District Reference	Ward	Proposed Polling Station	Notes - Polling Stations	County Division (for reference only)
WEA	Weddington	St James Church		Weddington
WEB	Weddington	St James Church		Weddington
WEC	Weddington	St James Church		Weddington
WED	Weddington	Weddington Primary School		Weddington
WEE	Weddington	Higham Lane School		Weddington
WEF	Weddington	Higham Lane School		Weddington
WHA	Whitestone	Pauls Land Pavillion, Lutterworth Road		Nuneaton East
WHB	Whitestone	Pauls Land Pavillion, Lutterworth Road		Nuneaton East
WHC	Whitestone	Portia Close		Nuneaton East
WHD	Whitestone	The White Stone		Bulkington & Whitestone
WHE	Whitestone	Whitestone Community Centre		Attleborough
WHF	Whitestone	Whitestone Community Centre		Bulkington & Whitestone
WHG	Whitestone	The White Stone		Bulkington & Whitestone