

Supplementary Committee Agenda



Constitution and Members Services Scrutiny Standing Panel Monday, 4th December, 2006

Place: Committee Room 1

Time: 7.30 pm

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7. REVIEW OF AREA PLANS SUB COMMITTEES - FURTHER REPORT (Pages 3 - 12)

(Head of Research & Democratic Services). To consider the reports on the five options for future Area plans Sub Committees as discussed at the last meeting.

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**Report to Constitutional Affairs Standing
Scrutiny Panel**

Date of Meeting: 4 December 2006

Portfolio: Leader's

Subject: Area Plans Sub Committees – Re-organisation

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Decisions Required:

- (1) **To consider whether:**
 - (a) **the present pattern of Area Plans Sub Committees should be altered;**
 - (b) **if so, to select an option for change from the following:**

Option 1 (3 Sub Committees namely: present Area A and 2 new Sub Committees reflecting Rural/Urban Split)

Option 2 (Adjusted 4 Sub Committee structure based on changes between present Areas B and C); and

Option 3 (3 Sub Committees namely present Areas A and D and new Area Sub covering present B and C).
- (2) **To determine frequency of meetings in the preferred structure if alterations are to be made; and**
- (3) **To determine the future membership of Area Sub Committee 'A'.**

Background

1. At the last meeting the Panel asked for four options for amended Area Plans Sub Committees to be brought forward to this meeting.
2. These options were:

Option 1 (3 Sub Committees: Area A and 2 new Sub Committees dividing the rest of the District on an urban/rural split);

Option 2 (4 Sub Committees: Areas A and D plus adjustments between B and C);

Option 3 (3 Sub Committees: Areas A and D and combine B and C).

3. The fourth option (3 Sub Committees: Present Area A plus two new Sub Committees dividing the District east and west) has been set aside as it is considered to be the same as Option 3 above.
- ... 4. Each of the three remaining options for change is set out in Appendices 1 and 2 attached.
5. A fourth option (no change) should be dealt with under recommendation (1) above.
6. The issues of (a) the numbers of Councillors serving on Area Sub A and (b) meeting frequencies should also be determined.
7. Changes to Area Plans Subs require approval from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Council and should be implemented at the next Annual Council meeting.

OPTION 1 – 3 Area Plans Sub Committees on a Rural/Urban Split

Area A – No change

New Area Sub “Urban”

Comprises: Existing Area D plus Epping and Theydon Bois wards

Notes:

Could be extended to cover North Weald Bassett (see below)

New Area Sub “Rural”

Comprises: Remainder of the District (including North Weald Bassett)

Notes:

1. Could exclude North Weald Bassett Ward

OPTION 2 – Adjusted 4 Sub Committee Structure

Area A – No change

Area B – No change except transfer North Weald Bassett or Lambourne to Area “C”

NB: Figures include North Weald Bassett but exclude Lambourne

Area C – No change except for addition of North Weald Bassett or Lambourne

NB: Figures exclude North Weald Bassett but include Lambourne

Area D – No change

Notes:

1. The effect of this option is to increase the caseload for Plans C at the expense of Plans B.

OPTION 3 – 3 AREA SUB COMMITTEES : PRESENT A and D plus combined B & C

Area A – No change

Area B and C - Combined

Area D – No change

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OPTION 1

PARISH	POPULATION	AREA
Plans A		
Buckhurst Hill	10,736	1.48
Chigwell	12,449	6.03
Loughton	30,340	5.82
Total	53,525	13.33
	43.84%	0.94%
Plans B		
Epping	11,047	2.97
Lambourne	1,828	4.01
Theydon Bois	3,993	3.2
Epping Upland	790	6.83
Nazeing	4,675	6.33
Roydon	2,771	4.21
Waltham Abbey	20,390	16.32
Total	45,494	43.87
	37.63%	3.10%
Plans C		
Abbs Beauchamp & Berners Roding	427	6.16
Fyfield	737	3.81
High Ongar	1,171	6.1
MBL	1,382	1,295
Matching	635	4.85
North Weald	6,039	8.77
Ongar	6,069	3.47
Sheering	2,838	3.22
Stanford Rivers	739	6.73
Stapleford Abbots	959	3.68
Stapleford Tawney	103	2.58
Theydon Garnon	130	3.09
Theydon Mount	163	2.43
Willingale	483	5.38
Total	21,875	1,355.27
	18.09%	95.95%

Population = 120,894.00

Area = 1,412.47

Option 1

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OPTION 2

PARISH	POPULATION	AREA
Plans A		
Buckhurst Hill	10,736	1.48
Chigwell	12,449	6.03
Loughton	30,340	5.82
Total	53,525	13.33
	44.27%	0.94%
Plans B		
Epping	11,047	2.97
North Weald	6,039	8.77
Theydon Bois	3,993	3.2
Total	21,079	14.94
	17.43%	1.05%
Plans C		
Abbess Beauchamp & Berners Roding	427	6.16
Fyfield	737	3.81
High Ongar	1,171	6.1
Lambourne	1,828	4.01
MBL	1,382	1,295
Matching	635	4.85
Ongar	6,069	3.47
Sheering	2,838	3.22
Stanford Rivers	739	6.73
Stapleford Abbots	959	3.68
Stapleford Tawney	103	2.58
Theydon Garnon	130	3.09
Theydon Mount	163	2.43
Willingale	483	5.38
Total	17,664	1,350.00
	14.61%	95.61%
Plans D		
Epping Upland	790	6.83
Nazeing	4,675	6.33
Roydon	2,771	4.21
Waltham Abbey	20,390	16.32
Total	28,626.00	33.69
	23.45%	2.38%

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OPTION 3

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Plans A		
Buckhurst Hill	10,736	1.48
Chigwell	12,449	6.03
Loughton	30,340	5.82
Total	53,525	13.33
	43.84%	0.94%

Plans B		
Epping	11,047	2.97
Lambourne	1,828	4.01
North Weald	6,039	8.77
Theydon Bois	3,993	3.2
Abbees Beauchamp & Berners R	427	6.16
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Stanford Rivers	739	6.73
Stapleford Abbots	959	3.68
Stapleford Tawney	103	2.58
Theydon Garnon	130	3.09
Theydon Mount	163	2.43
Willingale	483	5.38
Total	38,743	1,365.45
	32.04%	96.67%

Plans C		
Epping Upland	790	6.83
Nazeing	4,675	6.33
Roydon	2,771	4.21
Waltham Abbey	20,390	16.32
Total	28,626.00	33.69
	23.45%	2.37%

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