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**BOUNDARY REVIEW
SUB COMMITTEE**

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THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING

Minutes of the Boundary Review Sub Committee Meeting held on 30th January 2006 in the Council Chamber, Level -1, Monkton Park Offices, Chippenham, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillor D.J.E. Evans Chair
Councillors I.J. Henderson, J.R. Ireland, A.S.R. Jackson,
and R.L. Tonge

County/Town/Parish Council Representatives

Councillor Petch	Lyneham & Bradenstoke Parish Council
Councillor M. Hall	Kington St Michael Parish Council
Councillor O. Gibbs	Brinkworth Parish Council

Officers:

J. Watling (Policy & Democratic Services Team Leader) and J. Whittleton (Policy & Democratic Services Assistant)

BR45. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor D.M. Moore.

BR46. Public Question Time / Receipt of Petitions

There were no public questions nor petitions received.

BR47. Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 24th January 2006 (which were circulated after the publication of the Agenda) were considered.

Resolved that

- (1) the headers of each page be amended to show the date of the meeting.
- (2) following the aforementioned amendment the Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th January 2006 were confirmed as a correct record.

BR48. Declarations of Interest

Name	Application /item	Type of Interest	Nature of Interest	Action
D.J.E. Evans	Agenda Item 6 – Review of Parish Electoral Arrangements	Personal	Member of Cherhill Parish Council	Spoke & Voted

BR49. Chairman’s Announcements (if any)

The Chairman, Councillor D.J.E. Evans.

The Chairman alerted those in attendance to the guidance contained on page 9 of the Agenda.

BR50. Consideration of Representations from various areas (including Nettleton, North Wraxall, Castle Combe, Stanton St Quintin, Kington St Michael, Compton Bassett, Hilmarton, Dauntsey, Lyneham and Bradenstoke) following the Review of Parish Electoral Arrangements in North Wiltshire.

J. Watling (Policy & Democratic Services Team Leader) introduced Report No.6 which included the original proposals submitted in late 2003 and responses to the proposals following the Council’s consultation paper issued in August 2005. He stated that no letters were received after the Agenda was published. The Sub Committee was reminded that it should have regard to the identity and interests of local communities and effective and convenient local government.

MAP NUMBER 4

There were no Town or Parish Representatives present to give representations.

Issues discussed by the Sub Committee included:

- The number of people affected by the proposals; and
- The views of Nettleton and North Wraxall Parish Councils.

Resolved to recommend to the Personnel Licensing & Administration Committee that the Council's original proposals be supported on the proviso that arrangements are co-terminus with the District Wards Review.

MAP NUMBER 5

Representations were received from Councillor M. Hall of Kington St Michael Parish Council.

Issues raised by Councillor M. Hall included:

- That the Parish Council was in support of the proposals detailed in the Report;
- The main access into Kington Langley; and
- That the Parish Council would like to see the Eastern Boundary run along the A350.

Issues discussed by the Sub Committee included:

- The possibility of moving the Boundary to the A350; and
- That only proposals outlined in the Report should be considered.

Resolved

- (1) To recommend to the Personnel Licensing & Administration Committee that the Council's original proposals be supported on the proviso that arrangements should be co-terminus with the District Wards Review.
- (2) That Kington St Michael Parish Council and Langley Burrell Parish Council be invited to write to the Council with any views on their Parish Boundaries. Representations will be considered at a future meeting of the Sub Committee.

MAP NUMBER 6

There were no Town or Parish Representatives present to give representations.

Issues discussed by the Sub Committee included:

- The convenience of voting for the electorate;
- Community cohesion; and

- The ratio of electors to councillors.

Resolved to recommend to the Personnel Licensing & Administration Committee that the Council's original proposals be supported on the proviso that arrangements should be co-terminus with the District Wards Review.

MAP NUMBER 7

Representations were received from Councillor Petch of Lyneham & Bradenstoke Parish Council.

Issues discussed by the Sub Committee included:

- The views of Parish Councils in the areas considered.

Resolved to recommend to the Personnel Licensing & Administration Committee that the Council's original proposals be supported on the proviso that arrangements should be co-terminus with the District Wards Review.

NO MAP

Issues discussed by the Sub Committee included:

- The democratic deficit inherent in having large-scale co-option;
- The changing views of Purton Parish Council; and
- The ratio of electors to councillors in the Purton Parish.

Resolved that consideration of the item be deferred in order to request that Purton Parish Council provide information on the number of elected and co-opted Councillors over the last five elections.

The meeting started at 7.30pm and finished at 8.27pm.

Date of Next Meeting: 15th February 2006