

EXECUTIVE BOARD

17TH OCTOBER 2016

REVIEW OF NUMBER OF COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS REPRESENTING THE PONTYATES WARD AND LLANGYNDEYRN WARD OF LLANGYNDEYRN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Purpose: To seek Council's support for the proposal to decrease the number of Community Councillors that currently represent the Pontyates Ward and Llangyndeyrn Ward.

Recommendations / key decisions required:

1. That the Terms of reference and timetable for the review is noted
2. To consider and support the proposal

Reasons: Carmarthenshire County Council has received a request from Llangyndeyrn Community Council to reduce the number of Community Councillors representing the Pontyates Ward from 8 to 6 and to reduce the number of Community Councillors representing the Llangyndeyrn Ward from 4 to 3. Carmarthenshire County Council is responsible for undertaking this review under Section 31 of the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted NO

Exec Board Decision Required YES

Council Decision Required YES

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- Cllr. Pam Palmer

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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**Review of number of Community Councillors representing the
 Pontyates Ward and Llangydeyrn Ward of Llangydeyrn
 Community Council**

Carmarthenshire County Council has received an official request from Llangydeyrn Community Council to review the Community Councillor ratio for both Pontyates and Llangydeyrn Community Wards with the aim to decrease the overall membership by 2 Community Councillors.

Carmarthenshire County Council is responsible for undertaking the review and will consider all representations made at each stage of the review process.

The review will be conducted under Section 31 of the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013. On completion of the review the Council may propose and make changes to the number of Councillors representing the Pontyates and Llangydeyrn Community Wards.

Any changes that occur as a result of the review process would then come into effect for the Local Government Elections which are scheduled for May 2017.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

Yes-See attached Terms of Reference

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: Wendy S Walters

Head of Regeneration & Policy

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

Legal

The review will be carried out in accordance with the requirements of Section 31 of the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below
Signed Wendy S Walters Head of Regeneration & Policy

1. Local Member

Councillor Tyssul Evans. Email of support to the proposal already received.

2. Community Council

Llangyndeyrn Community Council. Originators of request to reduce their overall membership by 2 Community Councillors.

3. Relevant Partners

AM for Carmarthen East and Dinefwr, Regional Assembly Members for Mid and West Wales Electoral Region, MP for Carmarthen East and Dinefwr will be consulted on both the draft proposal and final proposal.

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

A consultation exercise will be published under the i-Local-Have your Say on main Council website on both the draft proposal and final proposal.

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Terms of Reference

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Please contact Amanda Bebb