



# **Special** **Community & Civic Resources** **Committee**

You are summonsed to attend a meeting of the Community & Civic Resources Committee at the following, place and date.

Date: Tuesday, 6 January 2009

Time: Immediately after the Planning Committee Meeting

Venue: Council Chamber, Town Hall, St John's Street, Devizes

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Chairman: Councillor Evans  
The Town Mayor (Councillor Mrs Burton)

Councillors:	Beinhorn	East	Gagen
	Hopkins	Leighton	Nash
	Mrs Taylor	Mrs Winchcombe	

## **AGENDA**

### **1. MINUTES**

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the Community and Civic Resources Committee Meeting held on 16 December 2008, which have been circulated alongside the agenda.

### **2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**3. DISCLOSURE(S) OF INTEREST**

To receive any disclosure(s) of interest by a Councillor or an officer in matters to be considered at this meeting, in accordance with provisions of Sections 94 or 117 of the Local Government Act 1972 or the National Code of Local Government Conduct.

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

At the Chairman's discretion, members of the public attending the meeting will be allowed to ask questions, make a statement or address the Council upon a matter of concern to that person which is relevant to the Council. A time limit of 5 minutes per person will be permitted, but this may be extended at the Chairman's discretion and a maximum period of 20 minutes has been allocated by the Council for this item of business

**5. REPORT FOR DECISION – WILTSHIRE COUNCIL: AREA BOARDS**

**Recommendation**

To consider and respond to the consultation on the proposed boundaries for the Area Boards.

**Purpose of the Report**

To consider and respond to the consultation on the proposed boundaries for the Area Boards.

**Background**

Consultation documentation has been received from Wiltshire County Council with regard to the proposed boundaries for the new Area Boards – doc 5/1 refers.

The proposals for the new Devizes Areas comprise of the current Community Area parishes excluding Poulshot and Seend, which are proposed to move to the Trowbridge Community Area.

**Options Considered**

To consider and respond to the proposals

**Implications & Risks**

**Financial and Resource Implications**

Officers are not aware of any financial and resource implications

**Legal Implications and Legislative Powers**

Officers are not aware of any legal implications.

**Environmental Implications**

Officers are not aware of any environmental implications.

**Risk Assessment**

The composition of the new Area Boards may have implications for democratic representation.

**Crime and Disorder**

Officers are not aware of any issues the Council should consider under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder act 1998.

**6. REPORT FOR DECISION – DEVIZES BOROUGH POLICE STATION**

**Recommendation**

The committee reaches a consensus about the continued closure of Devizes Borough Police Station.

**Purpose of the Report**

To decide if this council has a unanimous view regarding the continued status of the local police station in Devizes.

**Background**

Councillor C S Winchcombe has requested that officers places on an agenda the ongoing closure of Devizes Borough Police Station.

In recent months, it appears some police stations within Wiltshire, which were originally closed under a general policing policy, have now reopened following local pressure. Devizes has however not been amongst those, which have reopened. On the 26 January Inspector Andy Noble will be attending this committee and it maybe helpful if this council has reached a clear consensus about this continued closure.

**Options Considered**

This committee needs to decide if it wishes to form a consensus about the ongoing closure of Devizes Borough Police Station.

**Implications & Risks**

**Financial and Resource Implications**

Officers are not aware of any financial or resource implications which affect this council, associated with this decision.

**Legal Implications and Legislative Powers**

The Town Council is purely acting as a consultee in this matter.

**Environmental Implications**

Officers are not aware of any environmental implications associated with this decision.

**Risk Assessment**

Officers are not aware of any risk implications, which affect this council associated with this decision.

**Crime and Disorder**

Officers are not aware of any issues the Council should consider under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder act 1998.

**7. QUESTION TIME**

Members will be allowed a short period in which to put questions on matters within the remit of this Committee which are not contained in the reports of matters formally considered by the Committee at this meeting. The question may be answered at the meeting or may be referred back to the Committee at a later date. The question may not be the subject of any further details.

DIRECT SERVICES MANAGER