

NOTICE OF REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS, POLLING PLACES AND POLLING STATIONS

The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2023 requires the Council to complete a review of parliamentary polling districts, polling places and polling stations by 31 January 2024. The purpose of the review is to ensure that, so far as is practicable in the circumstances a) all electors in the constituencies in the Borough have such reasonable facilities for voting and b) every polling place is accessible to electors who are disabled.

The review will commence on 1 June 2023 and regard will be had to experiences gained at the Borough Council and Parish Elections held on 4 May 2023. Electors within the Parliamentary Constituencies of Amber Valley, Derbyshire Dales and Mid Derbyshire may make representations to Amber Valley Borough Council. The Borough Council would also welcome any person or body with expertise in access for persons with disabilities to make a representation or to comment on the Borough Council's draft proposals, the (Acting) Returning Officers' representations or any other matters. Persons or bodies making representations should, if possible, give alternative places that may be used as polling places.

Comments and representations may be submitted via email or in writing to:

Postal Address: Electoral Services Office
Amber Valley Borough Council
Town Hall
Market Place
Ripley
DE5 3BT

Email Address: jill.harris@ambervalley.gov.uk

Documents relating to the review can be inspected on the Council's website at www.ambervalley.gov.uk or at the Council Offices, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley

Simon Gladwin
Returning Officer

1 June 2023



Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations

Amber Valley, Mid Derbyshire & Derbyshire
Dales Parliamentary Constituencies

Public Consultation Document

June 2023

Background to the Review

The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 provides that the next polling review must be started and completed within a period of 16 months - 1 October 2022 and 31 January 2024.

This review formally starts on 1 June 2023 and is scheduled to be completed before 31 January 2024, but any representations received prior to 1 June 2023 will also be considered. This consultation document along with the public notice of the review explains the purpose of the review.

The law requires that reviews are carried out based on Parliamentary Constituencies. For Amber Valley this includes the Parliamentary Constituencies of Amber Valley, Mid Derbyshire and Derbyshire Dales

Boundary Changes

The Parliamentary Boundary Commission for England published its revised proposals for new constituency boundaries. The Parliamentary Boundaries for Amber Valley, Mid Derbyshire and Derbyshire Dales have not changed.

Definitions

a) Polling Districts

A polling district is a geographical area created by the sub-division of a Parliamentary Constituency. Parishes often have a separate polling district unless they are so large that this makes it inconvenient to voters, in which case they will still have more than one polling district.

The Council, by law, is responsible for designating polling districts, and must therefore seek to ensure that all electors in the parliamentary constituency have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances.

b) Polling Places

A polling place is the building or area in which polling stations will be selected by the (Acting) Returning Officer. A polling place within a polling district must be designated so that polling stations are within easy reach of all electors from across the polling district. Some polling places contain more than one polling station.

c) Polling Stations

A polling station is the room or area within the polling place where voting takes place. Unlike polling districts and polling places which are fixed by the local authority, polling stations are chosen by the relevant Returning Officer for the election.

The (Acting) Returning Officer for the particular election is responsible for providing a sufficient number of polling stations and allotting electors to those polling stations. Polling stations must be located within the polling places designated by the Council, and these are within the scope of the review.

Review Timetable

A Public Notice of the review and the timetable is attached in **appendices 1 and 2**.

The publication of this consultation document represents the first stage of the review. The existing schedule of polling districts and polling places is included in **appendix 3**. This appendix also provides a breakdown of the number of electors allocated in each polling district that are eligible to vote at the polling station. A set of maps illustrating where the boundaries of the polling districts are located will be available to view at the elections Office, Town Hall, Ripley.

As part of this first stage, you are invited to comment on the existing scheme, and if you feel it appropriate you may suggest changes to polling district boundaries or alternative proposals for polling places. It would help us if you could also give reasons for changes you have suggested.

All comments and representations will be published on the Council's website as soon as possible after receipt, even if you have already commented on the proposals, you may make further submissions in response to views and comments you see on the website.

Any comments or representations you wish to make should be received by 31 July 2023.

All comments or representations should be sent to:

Jill Harris
Electoral Services Officer
Amber Valley Borough Council
Town Hall
Market Place
Ripley
DE5 3BT

If you prefer you can email your comments or representations to jill.harris@ambervalley.gov.uk

What happens next?

In September 2023 the views of the (Acting) Returning Officers for Parliamentary constituencies covering the Borough on both the scheme and any representation made will be published. You will have until 30 November 2023 to comment on this. On a date in January 2024 the Full Council will consider all the issues raised and publish its final scheme.

The Electoral Commission

Upon publication of the results of the review the following parties may make representations to the Commission to reconsider any polling districts and polling places. The Commission may direct the council to make any alterations to the polling places that they think necessary and, if the alterations are not made within two months, they may make the alterations themselves.

Parities who can make representations.

- Any parish council which is wholly or partly situated within each constituency, or parish meeting where there is no such council.
- thirty or more registered electors in each constituency (although electors registered anonymously cannot make a representation)
- a person (except the (Acting) Returning Officer) who made representations to the authority when the review was being undertaken.
- any person who is not an elector in a constituency in the authority's area but who the Commission thinks has sufficient interest in the accessibility of disabled persons to polling places in the area or has particular expertise in relation to the access to premises or facilities of disabled persons.

In addition, the (Acting) returning Officer may make observations on any representations made to the commission.

The Commissions contact details are as follows:

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The Electoral Commission
3 Bunhill Row
London
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Email: appeals@electoralcommission.org.uk

NOTICE OF REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES

1. Notice is hereby given that Amber Valley Borough Council is undertaking a review of the polling districts, and polling places within the borough and welcome comments from residents, stakeholders, and interested parties.
2. The (acting Returning Officer for the Parliamentary constituencies of Amber Valley, Mid-Derbyshire and Derbyshire Dales will make comment on the proposals and those representations will be published on the Council's website and be available for inspection at the Council Offices, Town Hall, Market Street, Ripley, Derbyshire DE5 3BT
3. Representations may be made by electors within the authority or within a UK Parliamentary constituency which has any part in the authority. Views from any persons or bodies with expertise in access to premises or facilities for persons with any type of disability would be welcome. Local political parties and Borough Councillors will also be consulted.
4. Persons or bodies making representations should, if possible, give alternative places that may be used as polling places.
5. Comments and representations may be submitted via email to:
jill.harris@ambervalley.gov.uk

Comments and representations may also be submitted in writing to Electoral Services Department, Amber Valley Borough Council, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley, Derbyshire DE5 3BT
6. Documents relating to the review can be inspected on the Council's website at www.ambervalley.gov.uk or at the Council Offices
7. The consultation period runs from 1 June 2023 until 31 July 2023. All representations will be considered, with a final report to be submitted to Council for approval.
website address: www.ambervalley.gov.uk

Simon Gladwin
(Acting) Returning Officer

Proposed Timetable of Review of Polling Districts & Polling Places

Date	Event
10 April 2023	Publication of the notice of review.
1 June 2023	Publication of consultation paper (Acting) Returning Officer's proposals.
1 June 2023	Consultation opens.
31 July 2023	Consultation closes.
*September 2023	Council Meeting – ratification of polling district and polling changes.
1 December 2023	Publication of Electoral Register – any changes will be implemented.
2 May 2024	Police and Crime Commissioners Elections.
TBA	UK Parliamentary Elections.

Amber Valley Borough Council

Parliamentary Constituency: AMBER VALLEY

2023 Electorate as at 1 June listed by Ward and Polling District

Ward	Polling District and Polling Place	Electorate
Alfreton		
	AEN – Wesley Methodist Church, Ellesmere Avenue	1789
	AES – Christ the King RC Church Hall, Nottingham Road,	958
	AWF – Alfreton Community Hall, Mansfield Road,	770
	AWP – Christ the King RC Church Hall, Nottingham Road	885
	AWT – Alfreton Christian Centre, Hall Street	2269
	Sub-Total	6,671
Codnor, Langley Mill & Aldercar		
	CDC – Codnor Methodist Church, Mill Lane	737
	CDR – Codnor Methodist Church, Mill Lane	2305
	CME – St. Andrews Church Hall, Station Road	1143
	CMN – St Johns Church, Cromford Road	1616
	CMS – St. Andrews Church Hall, Station Road	762
	CMW – Langley Mill Childrens Centre, Bailey Brook Drive	677
	Sub-Total	7,240
South Wingfield		
	CGF – Friends Meeting House, Chapel Street, Fritchley	457
	CGP – Pentrich Village Hall, Pentrich, Ripley	176
	CGS – The Parish Room, Church Lane, South Wingfield	1304
	Sub-Total	1,937
Heage & Ambergate		
	HAA – Methodist Church, Devonshire Street	736
	HAE – Methodist Church, Parkside	946
	HAH – The George Inn, Main Road, Lower Hartsay	139
	HAL – Marehay Hall Farm, Street Lane, Denby	196
	HAN – Band Rehearsal Room, Shop Lane, Nether Heage	517
	HAS – Village Hall, Ripley Road, Sawmills	796
	HAW – The Village Hall, School Lane, Heage	729
	Sub-Total	4,059
Heanor East		
	HEB – Derby Pentecostal Church, Breach Road	849
	HEH – The Dwelling Place, Mansfield Road, Heanor	880
	HEI – All Saints Parish Church, Ilkeston Road	1194
	HEL – Derby Pentecostal Church, Breach Road	1579
	HEM – Wilmot Street Centre, Wilmot Street, Heanor	867
	Sub-Total	5,369
Heanor West & Loscoe		
	HWC – Heanor Free Church, Midland Road	1398
	HWD – Heanor Baptist Church, Derby Road	1083
	HWK – Tesco Superstore, High Street, Heanor	863
	HWM – Wilmot Street Centre, Wilmot Street, Heanor	1043
	HWN – St. Luke's Church, High Street, Loscoe	1592
	HWS – Gladstone Avenue Community Centre, Heanor	1080
	HWW – Gladstone Avenue, Community Centre, Heanor	1004
	Sub-Total	8,063
Ironville & Riddings		
	IRI – Church Hall, Casson Street, Ironville	1307
	IRL – Community Centre, Hathersage Drive, Leabrooks	1082
	IRR – Community Centre, West Street, Riddings	2268
	Sub-Total	4,657

Ward	Polling District and Polling Place	Electorate
Kilburn, Denby, Holbrook & Horsley		
	KDO – St. Marks Church & Vestry, Openwoodgate, Belper	385
	KDS – Denby Bottles Methodist Church, Danesby Crescent,	1056
	KDV – Denby Cricket Club, High Bank, Denby Village	526
	KHK – The Arkwright Hall, Moorside Lane, Holbrook	1368
	KHY – Horsley Village Hall, Church Street, Horsley	577
	KLN – Kilburn Village Hall, Church Street, Kilburn	2964
	Sub-Total	6,876
Ripley & Marehay		
	RMC – Ripley Leisure Centre, Derby Road	1617
	RMM – Marehay Methodist Church, Warmwells Lane	873
	RMN – Ripley Leisure Centre, Derby Road	1009
	RMS – Ripley Leisure Centre, Derby Road	879
	RMY – Ripley Leisure Centre, Derby Road	592
	Sub-Total	4,970
Ripley		
	RYB – Main Reception, Town Hall, Ripley	1220
	RYG – Ripley Recreation Ground Charity, Nottingham Road	629
	RYH – Salvation Army Centre, Heath Road, Ripley	670
	RYL – Lons Infants School, Tavistock Avenue, Ripley	1093
	RYM – Main Reception, Town Hall, Ripley	403
	RYP – Ripley Recreation Ground Charity, Nottingham Road	1595
	RYW – Community Centre, Church Street, Waingroves	1003
	RYX – Waingroves Methodist Church, Waingroves Road	890
	Sub-Total	7,503
Smalley, Shipley & Horsley Woodhouse		
	SHH – Shipley Parish Hall, The Field, Shipley	688
	SHM – Holy Trinity Church, Church Lane, Mapperley	217
	SHS – St. John The Baptist Church Hall, Main Road, Smalley	2632
	SHW – Horsley Woodhouse Church Hall, Main Street	1039
	Sub-Total	4,576
Somercotes		
	SMN – Somercotes Parish Hall, Nottingham Road	1623
	SMP – Somercotes Parish Hall, Nottingham Road	193
	SMS – Somercotes Parish Hall, Nottingham Road	2678
	Sub-Total	4,494
Swanwick		
	SWC – The Old School House, The Green, Swanwick	1014
	SWE – Swanwick School & Sports College, Hayes Lane	1664
	SWN – The Old School House, The Green, Swanwick	1598
	Sub-Total	4,276

Amber Valley Sub-Total 70,691

Amber Valley Borough Council

Parliamentary Constituency: MID-DERBYSHIRE

2023 Electorate as at 1 June listed by Ward and Polling District

Ward	Polling District and Polling Place	Electorate
Belper East		
	BEA – Alton Manor Community Centre, Gregory's Way	413
	BEB – Alton Manor Community Centre, Gregory's Way	966
	BEC – Pottery Bowls Club, Whitemoor Lane	654
	BEG – Belper Leisure Centre, John O' Gaunts Way	2716
	BEL – Alton Manor Community Centre, Gregory's Way	1157
	BEN – Pottery Bowls Club, Whitemoor Lane	707
	BES – St. Johns Chapel, The Butts, Belper	679
	BEW – Belper Leisure Centre, John O'Gaunts Way	723
	Sub-Total	8,015
Belper North		
	BNB – Alton Manor Community Centre, Gregory's Way	988
	BNC – Congregational Church, Church Walk, Green Lane	352
	BNF – The Bluebell Inn, Farnah Green, Belper	150
	BNH – St. Johns Chapel, The Butts, Belper	275
	BNK – Congregational Church, Church Walk, Off Green Lane	661
	BNM – Congregational Church, Church Walk, Off Green Lane	870
	BNN – The Fit Pit, East Mill, Bridge Foot	1489
	Sub-Total	4,785
Belper South		
	BSM – Soi Kitchen, Derby Road, Milford	892
	BSP – Belper Early Years Fun, Alder Road, Belper	1769
	BSS – St. Marks Church & Vestry, Openwoodgate, Belper	240
	BST – St. Swithuns Church, Holbrook Road, Belper	690
	BSW – St. Swithuns Church, Holbrook Road, Belper	745
	Sub-Total	4,336
Duffield		
	DDN – The Weston Centre, Tamworth Street, Duffield	1689
	DDS – St. Margaret Clitherow Church, Hall Farm Road, Duffield	2209
	Sub-Total	3,898

Mid-Derbyshire Sub-Total 21,034

Amber Valley Borough Council

Parliamentary Constituency: Derbyshire Dales

2023 Electorate as at 1 June listed by Ward and Polling District

Ward	Polling District and Polling Place	Electorate
Alport & South West Parishes		
	ASK – The Clubhouse, Kedleston Park Golf Club	42
	ASL – Kirk Langley Village Hall, Church Lane, Kirk Langley	637
	ASM – The Mundy Arms, Ashbourne Road, Mackworth	1008
	ASR – Mugginton Village Hall, Church Lane, Mugginton	29
	AST – Village Hall, Ashbourne Road, Turnditch	271
	ASW – Mugginton Village Hall, Church Lane, Mugginton	271
	ASY – Village Hall, Ashbourne Road, Turnditch	120
	ATA – St. Margaret's Village Hall, Chapel Hill, Alderwasley	416
	ATD – Methodist Chapel, Church Street, Holloway	878
	ATH – Memorial Hall, Over Lane, Hazelwood	303
	ATI – St. James Church, Cliffash Lane, Idridgehay	286
	ATP – Women's Institute Hall, Shottlegate, Belper	208
	ATS – St. James Church, Cliffash Lane, Idridgehay	97
	Sub-Total	4,566
Crich		
	CHP – Carr Farm, Pit Lane, Wheatcroft, Matlock	114
	CHV – Glebe Field Centre, Glebe Field Close, Crich	1801
	CHW – The Family Tree, Derby Road, Whatstandwell	340
	Sub-Total	2,255
Quarndon		
	DSQ – Church Hall Quarndon, Church Road, Quarndon	865
	Sub-Total	865

Derbyshire Dales Sub-Total 7,686

Proposed Changes

Following the previous review, the proposals are as follows:

ALFRETON

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate (as at 1 April 2023)	Polling Place	Disabled Access
1	AEN	Wesley Methodist Church	Yes
2	AES	Christ the King RC Church Hall, Nottingham Road	Yes
3	AWF	Alfreton Community Hall	Yes
4	AWP	Christ the King RC Church Hall, Nottingham Road	Yes
5	AWT	Alfreton Christian Centre	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments:

1. Good polling station with good facilities. This station has an automatic with a ramp for wheelchair access, and an induction loop in the room used for the election. There is restricted parking and no designated disabled parking but with facility for one to be provided. Street parking outside is available. We have used this venue for several years with no problems noted to date.
- 2&4 This is a joint station with good facilities and parking. It can easily accommodate two polling stations.
3. Polling station is situated on the edge of the polling district. The premises have good facilities. Car parking is provided, and disabled access is ok.
5. The polling station is in the centre of the polling district with good facilities. There is designated disabled parking places and disabled access. The premises may be in use on Election Day, but the facilities are secure.

Suggested Proposals:

1-5 – no changes

ALPORT & SOUTH WEST PARISHES

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
6	ASK	Clubhouse, Kedleston Park Gold Club	Yes
7	ASL	Kirk Langley Village Hall, Church Lane	Limited
8	ASM	The Mundy Arms, Ashbourne Road, Mackworth	Yes
9	ASR	Mugginton Village Hall, Church Lane	Yes
9	ASW	Mugginton Village Hall, Church Lane	Yes
10	AST	Village Hall, Ashbourne Road, Turnditch	Yes
10	ASY	Village Hall, Ashbourne Road, Turnditch	Yes
11	ATA	St. Margaret's Village Hall, Alderwasley	Yes
12	ATD	Methodist Chapel, Church St., Holloway	Yes
13	ATH	Memorial Hall, Over Lane, Hazelwood	Yes
14	ATI	St James Church, Cliffash Lane, Idridgehay	Yes
14	ATS	St. James Church, Cliffash Lane, Idridgehay	Yes
15	ATP	Women's Institute Hall, Shottle Gate	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments:

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, Alport and South West Parishes merged to form one Ward renamed "Alport & South West Parishes", which combined the polling stations as shown above. The polling station have not changed following the new Ward.

Polling Review Comments:

6. The electorate is small in this parish. The premises offer good facilities with ample parking. Outside lighting is poor but adequate. Signage has been a problem in the past, but electors know where to go.
7. This hall was previously known as "Leek Memorial Hall". There is limited disabled access with restricted wheelchair entry and limited parking outside. These premises have been used for a number of years with no problems noted to date.
8. Premises appear to offer reasonable facilities with parking and disabled access.
9. The building offers good facilities for all electors. It has level access and also room for more polling stations should the need arise. Currently covers two polling districts, both with small electorate.
10. Good premises previously used, offering reasonable parking, good facilities and as above currently covers two polling districts, both having a small electorate.
11. The polling station is in the centre of the district with good facilities, but no public transport. It has level access and adequate parking with disabled access into the building. However, the doors are a little stiff for the elderly and frail voters. The door can be wedged open. Door wedges are provided should they be required.
12. This is a regular polling station with good facilities for disabled people and wheelchair users. Parking is on the street but easy for all users. This venue has been used for a number of years with no problems noted to date.
13. The polling station is in the centre of the district with good facilities that meet all the requirements
14. Two smaller polling districts use this one station. There is limited parking, but the facilities are suitable and there is disabled access. Venue used for a number of years, no problems reported to date.
15. This polling station is on the edge of the district. It is located on a narrow lane with a small car park. As it has a small number of electors and it is a rural station, it provides good facilities and access.

Suggested Proposals:

6 – 15 – no changes

Belper East

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
16	BEA	Alton Manor Community Centre, Gregory's Way	Yes
16	BEB	Alton Manor Community Centre, Gregory's Way	Yes
17	BEG	Belper Leisure Centre, John O'Gaunts, Belper	Yes
17	BEW	Belper Leisure Centre, John O'Gaunts	Yes
18	BEG	Belper Leisure Centre, John O'Gaunts, Belper	Yes
19	BEL	Alton Manor Community Centre, Gregory's Way	Yes
20	BEC	Pottery Bowls Club, Whitemoor Lane, Belper	Yes
20	BEN	Pottery Bowls Club, Whitemoor Lane, Belper	Yes
21	BES	St. Johns Chapel, The Butts, Belper	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments:

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, Belper Central Ward was merged with Belper East and Belper North. Five of the seven districts making up Belper Central was merged with Belper East which combined the polling stations as shown above. The polling stations have not changed following the ward change.

16. The polling station is well located with good facilities. We have use of more than one room at this station. There is no designated disabled parking but ample street parking. This venue has good disabled access.
17. We have used this venue for some time. It has good facilities and meets all the requirements. It has been previously noted that it can become busy due to the number of electors.
18. Comments as above (17)
19. See comments for 16.
20. This station serves two polling districts and offers good facilities for all uses. There is no designated disabled parking space, but it offers level access for disabled and wheelchair users.
21. This polling station is reasonably located and has room for more polling stations if required. Access for disabled users is now satisfactory as the uneven surface to the front of the building has been rectified.

Suggested Proposals:

16 – 21 no changes

Belper North

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
22	BNB	Alton Manor Community Centre, Gregory's Way	Yes
23	BNC	Congregational Church, Church Walk, Green Lane	Yes
23	BNM	Congregational Church, Church Walk, Green Lane	Yes
24	BNF	The Bluebell Inn, Farnah Green,	Yes
25	BNH	St. Johns Chapel, the Butts, Belper	Yes
26	BNK	Congregational Church, Church Walk, Green Lane	Yes
27	BNN	The Fit Pit, East Mill, Bridge Foot	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments:

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, Belper Central Ward was merged with Belper East and Belper North. Two of the seven districts making up Belper Central was merged with Belper North which combined the polling stations as shown above. The polling stations have not changed following the ward change.

22. See comments under Belper East (16)
23. This polling station is reasonably located and has adequate parking and has good facilities for all users.
24. This is a small station covering a small electorate. It has sufficient space to be used for elections with adequate provisions for disabled and wheelchair voters.
25. See comments under Belper East (21)
26. See comments above (23)

27. This polling station is situated in Belper Mills. Possible use for other polling stations if the museum closed for election day. There is level access and good car parking for all users, however we do supply black/yellow tape at this polling station.

Suggested Proposals:

22 – 27 no changes

Belper South

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
28	BSM	Soi Kitchens, Derby Road, Milford	Yes
29	BSP	Belper Early Years Fun, Alder Road, Belper	Yes
30	BSS	St. Marks Church & Vestry, Openwoodgate	Yes
31	BST	St. Swithuns Church, Holbrook Road, Belper	Yes
31	BSW	St. Swithuns Church, Holbrook Road, Belper	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments:

28. This is a new polling station first used 2021. It replaced Milford Primary School. It is a large polling station and could accommodate two polling stations. There are good transport links. The approach to the building is safe and free from obstructions with dropped kerbs and a large car park with designated disabled spaces. There is good outside lighting. Metal signage will be required by the entrance.
29. This polling station has had a name change. It was known as the Childrens Centre, Belper. This station would only accommodate one station. It only has street parking outside but does not affect the resident only area of the cul-de-sac. It has good facilities for all users and has disabled access. There have been no problems noted to date.
30. This polling station sits outside the polling district but has been used for many years. It has good facilities and level entrance for disabled and wheelchair users. Car parking in adjacent car park but may be of some inconvenience to disabled and wheelchair users. It has a small electorate.
31. This is a new polling station first used in 2022. It was necessary to find a new station as the previous station, Fleets Art Project closed. It is a large station that could accommodate more than one polling station. It has a level access with good facilities and disabled access to the back of the building. There is disabled parking at the rear and street parking to the front. All signage can be clearly displayed inside and out. There is adequate lighting outside the building and has a dropped kerb for disabled and wheelchair users.

Suggested Proposals:

20 – 31 no changes

Codnor, Langley Mill & Aldercar

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
32	CDC	Codnor Methodist Church, Mill Lane	Yes
33	CDR	Codnor Methodist Church, Mill Lane	Yes
34	CDR	Codnor Methodist Church, Mill Lane	Yes
35	CME	St. Andrews Church Hall, Station Road	Yes
36	CMN	St. Johns Church, Cromford Road, L/Mill	Yes
37	CMS	St. Andrews Church Hall, Station Road, L/Mill	Yes
38	CMW	Langley Mill Childrens Centre, Bailey Brook Drive	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments:

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, Codnor & Waingroves and Langley Mill & Aldercar merged to form one Ward renamed “Codnor, Langley Mill & Aldercar”, which combined the polling stations as shown above. The polling stations have not changed following the new Ward.

32. The polling station is well located and has good facilities for all electors. There are more rooms inside should we need to use them. There is car parking in the large adjacent car park.
33. See comments as above (32)
34. See comments as above (32)
35. This is now used for two polling station. It has good facilities and access for all users. It has limited parking outside but is adequate.
36. This is a new polling station first used in May 2022. This station is on a good bus route. The approach to the building is safe and free from obstructions with dropped kerbs in place and level access with doors wide enough to accommodate motorised wheelchairs. There is an internal step but there is a purpose made ramp. There is off street parking, there is also an arrangement for cones to set out in the car park to identify disabled parking. There is good outside lighting.
37. See comments above (35)
38. Premises has level access. Limited parking in car park but street parking is available. We have used this venue for many years, no problems have been noted.

Suggested Proposals:

32 – 38 no changes

Crich & South Wingfield

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
39	CHP	Carr Farm, Pit Lane, Wheatcroft, Matlock	Yes
40	CHV	Glebe Field Centre, Glebe Field Close, Crich	Yes
41	CHW	The Family Tree, Derby Road, Whatstandwell	Yes
42	CGF	Friends Meeting House, Chapel Street, Fritchley	Limited
43	CGP	Pentrich Village Hall, Pentrich, Ripley	Yes
44	CGS	The Parish Room, Church Lane, South Wingfield	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, Crich and Wingfield merged to form one Ward renamed “Crich & South Wingfield”, which combined the polling stations as shown above. The polling stations have not changed following the new Ward.

39. This polling station is set in a rural area with a small electorate. It is a residential property with level access and good parking facilities for all electors. There is no public transport. We have used this venue for many years with no problems noted.
40. The polling station has good facilities for all electorate. There is good parking with disabled spaces available. Limited public transport.
41. This polling station has good facilities with and is reasonably located within the district. There is adequate parking and disabled access. There is a car park which is located opposite the polling station.
42. This is located centrally in the polling district. There is restricted parking and a removable ramp for disabled and wheelchair users. There is a need for the doors to be left open during the day to allow access. It has been in use for several years with no problems noted. Door wedges are supplied to use if necessary.

43. The hall is centrally located in the polling district and offers good facilities and wheelchair access. It has ample parking.
44. This polling station is in the centre of the polling district and offers good facilities and parking. Comments have been made by presiding officers in the past of the small step on the pedestrian access. There is a ramp which is in good order. Possible use of better signage but overall the premises are suitable. It has good facilities for all users and suitable parking.

Suggested Proposals:

39 – 44 no changes

Duffield & Quarndon

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
45	DDN	The Weston Centre, Tamworth Street, Duffield	Yes
46	DDS	St. Margaret Clitherow Church, Hall Farm Road	Yes
47	DDS	St. Margaret Clitherow Church, Hall Farm Road	Yes
48	DSQ	Church Hall Quarndon, Church Road, Quarndon	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, the parish ward of Quarndon was added to the Ward of Duffield, giving a new ward name of “Duffield & Quarndon, which combined the polling stations as shown above. The polling station have not changed following the new Ward.

45. There are good facilities for all electors with level access from adequate car parking. There are no restrictions for disabled or wheelchair voters.
46. This building has good all-round facilities for all users.
47. See comments above (46)
48. These premises have been in use for several years and has good parking, disabled access with a handrail and offers extra facilities should the need arise to have more polling stations.

Suggested Proposals:

45 – 48 no change

Heage & Ambergate

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
49	HAA	Methodist Church, Devonshire Street	Limited
50	HAE	Methodist Church, Parkside	Yes
51	HAH	The George Inn, Main Road, Lower Hartsay	Yes
52	HAL	Marehay Hall Farm, Street Lane, Denby	Yes
53	HAN	Band Rehearsal Room, Shop Lane, Nether Heage	Yes
54	HAS	Village Hall, Ripley Road, Sawmills	Yes
55	HAW	The Village Hall, School Lane, Heage	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments

49. The building is suitable as a polling station but with restricted access and parking. It does have a dropped kerb, but the ground is a little uneven. There is an access ramp but no level access to the building and there is no handrail. The slope is not gentle but there is access for wheelchair users. We have used this building for many years with no problems being noted.

50. This station is situated on a narrow street with parking to the rear and disabled parking to the front. There is level access and room for a good number of cars.
51. The polling station offers good facilities with adequate parking and reasonable access, but it should be noted there are steps and no facility for wheelchair users. It has been noted previously that there is a small electorate and that the station has been used for a number of years with no concerns raised.
52. This is a new polling station being used for the first time this year (May 2023) and offers good facilities, adequate parking at the front of the building and access for wheelchair users. There is a small step to the entrance, but a ramp will be provided for this. It should be noted that the road leading to the polling station is a little uneven but is adequate for all users. Signage will be required at the entrance of the road.
53. These premises offer good facilities with adequate parking for all electors at the rear of the building.
54. Previously used as a polling station, it has good facilities with parking and reasonable disabled and wheelchair access.
55. The premises offer good facilities for all electors. Two car parks to either side provide good parking and reasonable access for voters.

Suggested Proposals:

49 – 55 no change

Heanor East

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
56	HEB	Derby Pentecostal Church, Breach Road	Yes
56	HEL	Derby Pentecostal Church, Breach Road	Yes
57	HEH	The Dwelling Place, Mansfield Road, Heanor	Yes
58	HEI	All Saints Parish Church, Ilkeston Road	Yes
59	HEM	Wilmot Street Centre, Wilmot, Heanor	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, Heanor East had gained one extra district, HEH. This was previously in Heanor West. The extra polling station is shown above.

56. This polling station has been used before but was previously called "Langley Community Church Hall". It was closed but has now reopened and is in use. It has good facilities it has restricted parking at the premises. However, there is ample parking on the road. There is level access with no restrictions.
57. The polling station is in the school room next to the Methodist Church. Wheelchair access with a dropped kerb and ramp. Parking and facilities are good.
58. The polling station is well situated with good facilities. There is a level entrance and is usable by disabled and wheelchair users. Parking is restricted outside the building but ample parking on the road.
59. This polling station is being used for this district for the first time this year (May 2023). It is situated just outside the polling district boundary as no suitable alternative could be found within the district. It is already in use as a polling station and has been used for many years. It is big enough for more than one station. There is a short ramp for wheelchair or disabled users. It has reasonable access and good parking. It has been used for many years.

Suggested Proposals:

56 – 59 no change

Heanor West & Loscoe

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
60	HWC	Heanor Free Church, Midland Road	Yes
61	HWD	Heanor Baptist Church, Derby Road	Yes
62	HWK	Tesco Superstore, High Street, Heanor	Yes
63	HWM	Wilmot Street Centre, Wilmot Street, Heanor	Yes
64	HWN	St. Luke's Church, High Street, Heanor	Yes
65	HWS	Gladstone Avenue Community Centre, Heanor	Yes
66	HWW	Gladstone Avenue Community Centre, Heanor	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, Heanor West and Loscoe merged to form one Ward renamed "Heanor West & Loscoe", which combined the polling stations as shown above. The polling stations have not changed following the new Ward.

60. This is a new polling station, being used for the first time this year (May 2023). We needed to source a new venue as Howitt Primary Community school could no longer accommodate us. This new station has been used in the past as a polling station and offers adequate facilities. It is near the town centre with good public transport links. It offers level access for all users including disabled and wheelchair users. It is well lit and offers disabled parking on the church drive. Parking is restricted, but there is adequate parking on the road.
61. The polling station is well situated with good facilities. It is big enough to accommodate more than one polling station should it be required. It offers street parking, but has no designated disabled parking, however the kerbs have been dropped for wheelchair users. No additional signage is required. It is well lit and has a level entrance. There is a permanent ramp. No problem has been noted to date.
62. This is a previously used polling station situated in the store's café. It has a level access and is disabled and wheelchair friendly. The building is clearly identifiable, so no extra signage is required. There is ample parking with designated disabled parking spaces and is well lit.
63. See comments for station 59
64. This polling station was used, initially as a temporary station as Evergreen Centre was closed. This as since closed for the foreseeable future. The facilities at St. Luke's are good with level access and offers reasonable parking for all users. It has a reasonable sized car park at the side, but there is a lay-by at the front of the church which can also be used. The outside is lit with sensor active lights.
65. There are good facilities with a level access. It offers reasonable parking nearby but not immediately outside, it is about 100m away from the premises. We have used this station for a number of years and no problems have been noted to date.
66. See comments above (65)

Suggested Proposals:

60 – 66 no change

Ironville & Riddings

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
67	IRI	Church Hall, Casson Street, Ironville	Yes
68	IRL	Community Centre, Hathersage Drive, Leabrooks	Yes
69	IRR	Community Centre, West Street, Riddings	Yes

70	IRR		Community Centre, West Street, Riddings	Yes
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Polling Station Review Comments

67. The polling station is on the edge of the district. It offers good facilities with good parking and access to all voters.
68. This station is well located offering good facilities and parking for electors.
69. This station has a level access and has good wheelchair access with ample parking for all users.
70. See comments above (69)

Suggested Proposals:

67 – 70 no change

Kilburn, Denby, Holbrook & Horsley

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
71	KDO	St. Marks Church & Vestry, Openwoodgate	Yes
72	KDS	Denby Bottles Methodist Church, Danesby Cres.	Yes
73	KDV	Denby Cricket Club, high Bank, Denby Village	Yes
74	KHK	The Arkwright Hall, Moorside Lane, Holbrook	Yes
75	KLN	Kilburn Village Hall, Church Street, Kilburn	Yes
76	KLN	Kilburn Village Hall, Church Street, Kilburn	Yes
77	KHY	Horsley Village Hall, Church Street, Horsley	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, the parish ward of Horsley was added to the Ward of Kilburn, Denby & Holbrook, giving a new ward name of “Kilburn, Denby, Holbrook & Horsley”, which combined the polling stations as shown above. The polling stations have not changed following the new Ward.

71. See comments for polling station 30 omitting the comment regarding not sitting in the polling district.
72. This station has been used for many years and has reasonable facilities. Parking is only available on the road. This has been noted on previous reviews however the presiding officer has not had any complaints from electors using the polling station. Nothing has been noted to date.
73. The polling station offers reasonable facilities for all electors with a good car park and access to the building.
74. This polling station has changed its name from Holbrook Village Hall to The Arkwright Hall. It has been used for many years and offers reasonable facilities with adequate wheelchair and disabled access via a fixed ramp.
75. The premises does not have level access to the front, wheelchair access is to the side of the building. The facilities inside are reasonable for users. Parking outside is around 100m away. No problems regarding the parking facilities have been noted to date.
76. See comments above (75)
77. This polling station does not offer level access, there is a 2” step between the outside and the floor of the premises. However, it has a ramp and handrail. It also offers good outside parking facilities.

Suggested Proposals:

71 – 77 no change

Ripley & Marehay

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
78	RMC	Ripley Leisure Centre, Derby Road	Yes
79	RMM	Marehay Methodist Church, Warmwells Lane	Yes
80	RMN	Ripley Leisure Centre, Derby Road	Yes
81	RMS	Ripley Leisure Centre, Derby Road	Yes
82	RMY	Ripley Leisure Centre, Derby Road	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments

78. This offers large premises with multiply polling station and excellent facilities for all users. There is ample parking and disabled access. Level entrance and good all-round facilities for wheelchair users. All areas are well lite.
79. This is located centrally in the polling district with good facilities for all users. Limited parking on premises but ample street parking. This station has been used for several years with no problems noted to date.
80. See comments above (78)
81. See comments above (78)
82. See comments above (78)

Suggested Proposals:

78 – 82 no change

Ripley

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
83	RYB	Main Reception, Town Hall, Ripley	Yes
83	RYM	Main Reception, Town Hall, Ripley	Yes
84	RYG	Ripley Recreation Ground Charity, Nottingham Rd	Yes
84	RYP	Ripley Recreation Ground Charity, Nottingham Rd	Yes
85	RYH	Salvation Army Centre, Heath Road	Yes
86	RYL	Lons Infants School, Tavistock Avenue, Ripley	Yes
87	RYW	Community Centre, Church Street, Waingroves	Yes
88	RYX	Waingroves Methodist Church, Waingroves Road	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments

83. This station is outside the polling district served but offer good facilities and wheelchair access. Outside parking is adjacent to the premises which has dropped kerbs for wheelchair users.
84. This station was previously known as “Greenwich Park Sports Pavilion”. It is now known as “Ripley Recreation Ground Charity” The main community room is used and offers good facilities. Parking and disabled access is good but outside lighting is poor. Elections held in the summer months aren’t too bad. However, if elections are to be held in the autumn or winter months, temporary lighting will be required.
85. This is centrally located in the polling district and offers good facilities including access for wheelchair users. Parking has been previously highlighted as a problem however, there is available car spaces on the road. No complaints have been noted to date.

86. This offers good facilities with reasonable parking. Parking may be restricted during school hours.

87. This station offers reasonable parking and facilities for all users.

88. See comments for station 78.

Suggested Proposals:

83 – 88 no changes

Smalley, Shipley & Horsley Woodhouse

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
89	SHH	Shipley Parish Hall, The Field, Shipley	Yes
90	SHM	Holy Trinity Church, Church Lane, Mapperley	Limited
91	SHS	St. John The Baptist Church Hall, Main Rd, Sm'ly	Yes
92	SHW	Horsley Woodhouse Church Hall, Main Street	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments

After the Local Boundary Review in 2022, only the ward name changed to “Smalley, Shipley & Horsley Woodhouse”.

89. The polling station is centrally located in the district. It provides excellent facilities for all users and although there is no parking at the premises, there is parking available on the road outside. The building has level access for all users.

90. There is restricted parking with only street parking. The building has reasonable access for disabled users.

91. This station has good access for all users and offers reasonable parking. This church hall has been used for many years.

92. The building provides good facilities which meets all requirements for all users. There is a ramp for disabled and wheelchair users.

Suggested Proposals:

89 – 92 no changes

Somercotes

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
93	SMN	Somercotes Parish Hall, Nottingham Road	Yes
93	SMP	Somercotes Parish Hall, Nottingham Road	Yes
94	SMS	Somercotes Parish Hall, Nottingham Road	Yes
95	SMS	Somercotes Parish Hall, Nottingham Road	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments:

93. This is a busy polling station that has been used for several years. It now serves all Somercotes polling stations. It has level access with good facilities. It offers disabled access and parking; however, the car park could become congested at busy times of the day.

94. See comments above (93)

95. See comments above (93)

Suggested Proposals:

93 – 95 no changes

Swanwick

Polling Station No.	Polling District & Electorate	Polling Place	Disabled Access
96	SWC	The Old School House, The Green, Swanwick	Yes
97	SWE	Swanwick School & Sports College, Hayes Lane	Yes
98	SWN	The Old School House, The Green, Swanwick	Yes

Polling Station Review Comments:

96. This polling station is on the edge of the polling district. It offers level access and reasonable parking which is adjacent to the polling station. Previous comments have shown that parking may be an issue at busy times but no comments from the Presiding Officer and no problems have been noted to date.

97. This polling station is centrally located and offers good facilities for all users.

98. See comments above (96)

Suggested Proposals:

96 – 98 no changes

The main issues considered in the development of the proposals were:

- To try and identify new polling places in areas where the existing provision is unsuitable or no longer available.
- To consider, as appropriate, feedback received following recent elections raised by members of the public, elected members and other stakeholders.
- To ensure as far as possible, that any new polling places are accessible to people with disabilities.
- To ensure that all electors have reasonable facilities for voting at all elections.
- To try and minimise disruption at schools. It should be noted that the (Acting) Returning Officer is entitled to use schools and academies free of charge. However, where alternative premises exist which can provide better facilities for voting, they may be considered.
(using schools comes under Rule 22, Sch1, Representation of the People Act 1983)

The council is required to publish a notice of the holding of a review. Information about the review is made available on the council's website. The consultation paper will be sent to Councillors, Members of Parliament, Local Political Parties, Parish Councils, and any other interested groups or persons, including those who have particular expertise in relation to access to premises or facilities for persons who have different forms of disability.

Making comment

The council welcome comments on the proposals. We would urge anyone making comments to suggest alternative polling places to those proposed, along with their reasons, so that they may be given full consideration.

Anyone registered as an elector can make representations to the council, but by law we are required to publish any comments made.

Any comments/representations made must be in writing and must be received by 31 July 2023.