Review Responses

Number	Individual/Public Body making representations	Area	Representation
1	District Councillor	Fleet West / Fleet Central	1. The lismoyne is a poor station and should be moved for the following reasons - ideally to Harlington or library. Poorly lit approach and inside Difficult road access Not convenient as most residents go to high street No access by bus Harlington is far more convenient Could use library or Harlington - prefer to fund public sector than commercial Unwelcoming approach at Lismoyne Poor for polling agents - intimidatory for some residents Adds confusion for residents who know Harlington is main fleet polling station. 2. The access to EA for leisure centre polling station is down rear of building. Unwelcoming, poorly lit. Poor footpath for EA purposes. Could be upgraded and improved at nominal cost 3. Harlington Good site but signage confusing. Consider separating fans signing areas better - consider using library for some residents or Fleet West instead of Lismoyne. Clearer free parking needed on day.
2	Local Resident	Fleet West	I have been voting at the Lismoyne for several years. It has been super. The poll workers have been efficient and professional, often pleasant, and deserve thanks. I really value how it is in easy walking distance from my home. The Lismoyne is car-centric, so it is not the safest for pedestrians, though traffic has been very low on my visits, so okay. Even in elections with

			meaningful turnout, wait times are very low. Limited covid safety measures are not so disturbing with such low vote participation, but in say a general election general masking would make voting accessible without such unnecessary risk. On the whole I feel something uncomfortable when I consider my current ease of voting and how much queueing others must undertake to exercise the same right.
3	District Councillor	Hook	With Hook just having been restructured, I believe that arrangements are satisfactory for Hook and have no further suggestion for refinement.
4	Parish Council	Fleet West	Elvetham Heath Parish Council reviewed the polling districts and polling places and feel the current arrangements for Elvetham Heath are satisfactory and do not wish to suggest any changes.
5	District Councillor	Fleet West / Crookham West & Ewshot	FW ~ we suggest that the polling station at the Lismoyne Hotel is closed. The accessibility is poor for those with disabilities/the elderly. It is very quiet. It is likely to be closed as a hotel at some stage in the future, to act now. It is the only non community building used as a polling station. We suggest that voters go instead to a polling station in All Saints church hall. Parking readily available in Church Road car park. CW&E ~ far too many polling stations. We have heard that there will be one opened on Hareshill. We would suggest that voters from Hareshill go to the Leisure Centre. We would also suggest that the Willis Hall/Memorial Hall site is closed and voters go to the church hall at Holy Trinity, Bowenhurst Road. This has happened in the past.
6	Parish Council	Odiham	Please note that Odiham Parish Council has considered the above consultation and supports the current arrangements for Odiham, North Warnborough and RAF Odiham.
7	Parish Council	Crookham West & Ewshot	CCPC confirm polling station arrangements for the 3 wards within the parish meet the requirements for accessibility with good parking facilities at all venues and the building capacity adequate to meet the future needs of Church Crookham residents.
8	Acting Returning Officer	Parliamentary Constituency	I refer to your consultation on the periodic review of polling districts and polling places in Hart District. As Acting Returning Officer for the Aldershot Borough Parliamentary Constituency, I have set out below my representations on the review. These representations

reflect the knowledge and experience of my staff and myself in running national and local elections.

As you will know, the proposed change in Parliamentary boundaries does mean additional polling districts and places to be administered, which have not been part of the Constituency in recent years. From a location perspective, the polling places in the Blackwater and Hawley, and the Yateley East Wards are satisfactory. The representations identify a number of principles which we consider should be adhered to as outcomes of the review and together with a few comments on individual polling places.

HART DISTRICT REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND PLACES – COMMENTS

- 1. Principles of conducting the review relating to polling places and districts:
 - Polling places should meet the requirements of a Parliamentary election (e.g. potential voter numbers, room layout) and should be available for five years as far as can be ascertained. The provision of polling places should also reflect the number of registered absent voters and the level of registrations in the polling district.
 - The current framework of polling districts works for the convenience of voters. At present there appears to be no clear evidence to change boundaries.
 - Unless there are no alternative choices within a polling district, the polling place must be located in that polling district.
 - Polling places should be located for the convenience of voters in that district and have suitable facilities to make the voting process effective for electors and polling staff.
 - Mobile polling stations should only be provided when demonstrably there is no alternative permanent facility in the district.
 - Polling places are accessible for people with different types of disability and needs, and each place has the necessary arrangements and facilities to achieve this.

			 Specific comments on individual polling places: Blackwater and Hawley (Polling District AB – Blackwater Centre) – the polling place works well but the place should be easily accessible for voters and parking should be sufficient to cope with a Parliamentary election and clearly signposted. Blackwater and Hawley (Polling District AM – Meade Hall) – the polling place is suitably located but lighting inside should be satisfactory. Yateley East (Polling District YV – Yateley & Yateley Green WI Hall) – the premises appears well located, subject to satisfactory parking being available during busy periods.
9	Local Resident	Hook	I saw that you're looking at the best places to vote in Hart area at the moment. In Hook, I don't know why half of the village have to go to the Elizabeth Hall, where it is difficult to get in and out on Raven Road and sometimes difficult to park. It'd be much better if everyone could vote at the Community Centre.