

## **SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO:** Council **DATE:** 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017

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### **PART I** **FOR DECISION**

#### **PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARY REVIEW – COUNCIL RESPONSE TO REVISED PROPOSALS – OCTOBER 2017**

##### **1 Purpose of Report**

To seek approval to the Council's response to the revised proposals for Parliamentary Constituency Boundaries as published by the Boundary Commission for England (The Commission) on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

##### **2 Recommendation**

That Council is requested to approve the Council's response to the Commission's revised proposals as set out at Appendix 2 to the report.

##### **3 Other Implications**

###### **(a) Financial**

There are no financial or risk management implications as the report is administrative in nature.

###### **(b) Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications**

There are no Human Rights Act Implications associated with this report.

##### **4 Supporting Information**

###### **Parliamentary Constituency Boundary Review**

4.1 The Commission published and consulted on its initial proposals for new constituency boundaries between September 2016 and December 2016.

###### **Representations received on initial proposals**

4.2 The Commission received nearly 20,000 responses to that consultation. On 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017 the Commission published all the representations it had received so that others may comment on them.

4.3 The Commission invited comments on the published representations for the statutory four-week period, until Monday 27 March 2017.

## **Timeline for Review**

- 4.4 The Commission then considered all representations received from both consultations, and considered whether any revisions are needed.
- 4.5 The Commission decided to revise the proposals and published revised proposals on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017.
- 4.6 There is now a third period of consultation lasting eight weeks, where the public will be invited to comment on the revised proposals. This consultation period ends on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017.
- 4.7 After looking at whether any more changes need to be made, in September 2018 the Commission will make final recommendations in a report published and presented to the Parliament.

## **REVISED PROPOSALS**

- 4.8 The Commission's revised proposals for the South East are attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

- 4.9 The Parliamentary Boundary Review Working Group met on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2017 to consider the Commission's revised proposals and agree what response the Council should make at this stage.
- 4.10 Members of the Working Group have agreed a draft response to the revised proposals which is set out at Appendix 2 for the Council's approval

## 5 **Appendices**

Appendix 1 - Commission's revised proposals for the South East

Appendix 2 - Draft Council Response

## 6 **Background Papers**

None.