

Public Notice of Decision

Community Governance Review 2015/16

Issue 10

Hardwick Middle School

NOTICE is hereby given that St Edmundsbury Borough Council ("the Council"), in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 ("the Act"), has undertaken a Community Governance Review of certain parishes in its area.

The Council has now decided to what extent it will give effect to the recommendations made in respect of issue 10 in the Community Governance Review 2015/16, which affected the parishes of:

- **Bury St Edmunds**
- **Nowton.**

The decision is that:

1. The parishes listed above should not be abolished;
2. The whole of the Hardwick Middle School site (including bungalow) be transferred from Nowton Parish to Bury St Edmunds Parish as shown on the attached map.

N.B. The transferred parish area will be temporarily added to the existing Southgate Ward of Bury St Edmunds Parish pending any review of town and borough council wards by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England;

3. The names of the parishes listed above should not be altered;
4. The parishes should continue to have a town/parish council as currently applicable; and
5. No changes be made to the electoral arrangements that apply to the town/parish councils listed above.



Reason for the decision

It provides more appropriate parish boundaries to reflect the interests and identity of the local electors and offers them more effective and convenient local government, as well as reflecting the association of the whole school site with Bury St Edmunds Parish (from which it is accessed).

Next steps

The changes referred to above will be brought into effect from 1 April 2017 if the Local Government Boundary Commission for England recommends similar changes to district ward/county division boundaries at the same time. If the Commission does not recommend similar changes, the above will be brought into effect from 1 April 2019.

The Council will make an Order in the autumn before the above changes are to have effect to implement its decision. The Order, together with a map showing the effects of the Order, will be made available for inspection at the following addresses as soon as practicable after making the Order:

- West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3YU; and
- On the Council's website:
<http://www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/community/cgr.cfm>

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