

DONCASTER METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

ELECTIONS AND DEMOCRATIC STRUCTURES COMMITTEE

20TH JANUARY, 2015

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the ELECTIONS AND DEMOCRATIC STRUCTURES COMMITTEE was held at the CIVIC OFFICE, DONCASTER on TUESDAY, 20TH JANUARY, 2015 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT:

Chair - Councillor Jane Nightingale
Vice-Chair - Councillor Alan Smith

Councillors Phil Cole, Nuala Fennelly, Charlie Hogarth and Sue Wilkinson.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Deborah Hutchinson, Hilary McNamee, Kevin Rodgers and Dave Shaw.

8. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, IF ANY

No declarations were made at the meeting.

9. REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES 2014/15

The Committee received a report on the outcome of the review of Polling Districts and Polling Places 2014/15. Members noted that the statutory responsibility for reviewing UK Parliamentary polling districts and places rested with each relevant local authority. As set out in the Council's Constitution, the decision on polling districts and polling places was the responsibility of the Elections and Democratic Structures Committee.

A detailed schedule outlining the existing arrangements for polling districts and places and proposed changes taking into account the submission of the Returning Officer and feedback from public consultation was tabled at the meeting for the Committee's consideration (see Appendix to these minutes). The proposals sought to identify more appropriate polling places where adverse comments had been received on the location and/or suitability of current venues, to enable schools to remain open on election day, to identify alternatives where usual stations were no longer available and to avoid using mobile stations which were expensive to hire and site and were unpopular with voters and residents in the surrounding area. It was noted that the review had taken into account the new ward boundaries due to come into force as a result of the Electoral Review.

It was reported that the Returning Officer must comment during any review of UK Parliamentary polling districts and polling places on both existing polling stations and the polling stations that would likely be used if any new proposal for polling places were accepted. Unlike polling districts and polling places which were fixed by the local authority, polling stations were chosen by the Returning Officer.

Members then considered in detail the content of the schedule as appended to these minutes and agreed the proposals for each Ward in turn, subject to discussion and/or questions on the following points:

- Councillor Phil Cole referred to the use of a portable unit at Windmill Avenue for Polling Districts GB (Conisbrough & Denaby ward) and HD/HF (Edlington & Warmsworth ward) and queried whether the nearby youth centre could be used as a joint polling place for these districts as a means of saving money. In response, the Electoral Services Manager stressed that the regulations were clear that if it was possible to site a polling place within a polling district, then this must be done - it was not permissible to use a polling place if it was outside the polling district. She added, however, that she would follow up Councillor Cole's suggestion and check whether there was any scope for using the youth centre in question.
- In response to a comment that there might be car parking problems at the Tickhill Parish Rooms (Polling District IC – Torne Valley Ward), the Electoral Services Manager pointed out that local authorities were not obliged to provide parking spaces outside polling places and she explained that Electoral Commission guidance recommended that polling places were situated on main roads as far as possible.
- With regard to the Finningley Ward, Councillor Charlie Hogarth advised that there were sensitivities about where the portable unit was located in Polling District KH amongst local residents.
- The Electoral Services Manager confirmed that ways of improving the poor lighting levels in St Philip & St James Church in Bentley (Polling District NC) were being investigated.

RESOLVED:

- 1) to approve the report and the proposed changes to Polling Districts and Polling Places, as detailed in the Appendix to these minutes, subject to the above comments;
- 2) that the Returning Officer be given delegated authority to make any further minor alterations/revisions to the proposals prior to the review's completion deadline of 31st January 2015.

10. INDIVIDUAL ELECTORAL REGISTRATION - UPDATE

The Electoral Services Manager gave a detailed verbal update and answered a number of questions on the implementation of Individual Electoral Registration (IER).

In response to a query as to whether a postal vote application would be rejected if the voter concerned was not registered under IER, the Electoral Services Manager explained that if a postal vote application was received in those circumstances, the applicant would be advised that they need to be registered. She stated that her understanding was that if a voter was not registered under IER, they must vote in person at their polling station, but she undertook to seek clarification on this point from the Electoral Commission.

During discussion on arrangements for handling the large numbers of customer calls being generated by IER and the forthcoming elections, the Electoral Services Manager explained that the Xpress elections management software used by the Elections team had been enhanced to enable the Council's customer service teams to view the electoral register to assist them in dealing with enquiries from the public, including adding people to the Register where the caller was able to provide their National Insurance Number.

In response to a Member's query as to whether it was permissible to provide assistance to residents wishing to go on the Electoral Register by taking a tablet device to the resident's home for them to use to register online, the Officers stated that it was unlikely that such an arrangement would be permissible, but they undertook to seek a definitive answer from the Electoral Commission.

At the conclusion of the discussion on IER, the Assistant Director of Legal and Democratic Services informed the Committee that he was sad to announce that the Electoral Services Manager, Linda Lawty, would be leaving the Council next month and he thanked her for all her work and the improvements she had made to the Council's elections arrangements since joining the Council. Members joined the Assistant Director in conveying their thanks to Linda Lawty for her services. It was noted that the services of a Consultant had been secured via the Association of Electoral Administrators to provide the necessary cover in the interim period from now until after the Elections in May 2015, when the Council would look to make a new permanent appointment to fill the Electoral Services Manager's position.

RESOLVED to note the update on IER.

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CURRENT DISTRICT WARD:
ELECTORATE 1 SEPTEMBER 2014:
CONSTITUENCY: ALL CENTRAL

BALBY
 11207

APPENDIX

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward and Constituency for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
1	AA	786	189	Hexthorpe & Balby North	Balby Youth Centre, Oswin Avenue	Plus +117 Horseshoe Court
2	AB	1241	298	Hexthorpe & Balby North	Balby Waverley Primary School, Douglas Road	
3	AC	1597	543	Balby South	Mallard Primary School, Cedar Road	
3	AD	1218	281	Balby South	Mallard Primary School, Cedar Road	
4	AE	2034	587	Balby South	Westbourne Gardens Communal Hall	
5	AF	2674	651	Balby South	Woodfield Primary School	
6	AG	1657	450	Tickhill & Wadworth	Time 2 Play	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts AB, AC, AD, AE, AF and AG in this ward.

Due to the recent Boundary Change Horseshoe Court will now be in Balby Ward (from BE Central ward), It is proposed that the 117 electors in Horseshoe Court move into polling district AA. This polling place is closer and more convenient for electors. (Cllr Sue Wilkinson)

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:

DISTRICT WARD:

CENTRAL

ELECTORATE:

1ST SEPTEMBER 2014

9569

CONSTITUENCY: ALL CENTRAL

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
7	BA	1138	366	Town	Quakers House	Stirling School req us to use alternative
8	BB	1783	519	Hexthorpe & Balby North	Travis Gardens Communal Hall	
9	BC	1278	282	Town	Chequer Baptist Church Hall	
10	BD	876	169	Hexthorpe & Balby North	Portable Unit, Junction of Carr Hill	Portacabins have limited space which is problematic
11	BE	885	338	Hexthorpe & Balby North	St Johns Scout Headquarters	Minus -117 Horseshoe Court
12	BF	1417	323	Hexthorpe & Balby North	Balby Central Outreach Centre	
13	BG	759	162	Town	The Community House	
14	BH	525	115	Town	Army Reserve Centre	
15	BI	908	261	Town	Lakeside Primary School	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts BB, BC, BD, BF, BG, BH and BI in this ward.

Polling District BA - It is the Returning Officers final proposal that the existing Polling Place of Stirling Primary School is replaced with Quakers House.

Due to the recent Boundary Change Horseshoe Court will now be in Balby Ward (from BE Central ward), It is proposed that the 117 electors in Horseshoe Court move into polling district AA. This polling place is closer and more convenient for electors. (Cllr Sue Wilkinson)

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:

DISTRICT WARD:

TOWN MOOR

ELECTORATE:

1ST SEPTEMBER 2014

10332

CONSTITUENCY: ALL CENTRAL

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
16	CA	1604	414	Wheatley Hills & Intake	Wheatley Hills Tennis Club	
17	CB	2003	427	Wheatley Hills & Intake	Intake Primary School	
18	CC	1253	294	Wheatley Hills & Intake	Plover Primary School	
19	CD	1851	490	Wheatley Hills & Intake	Sandringham Primary School	
20	CE	957	250	Town	Town Field Primary	
21	CF	1096	285	Wheatley Hills & Intake	Healthy Living Centre	
22	CG	1568	427	Town	Deaf School (was The Studio)	Studio up for sale
Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments						
No change is proposed for polling districts CA, CB, CC, CD, CE and CF in this ward.						
Polling District CG - It is the Returning Officers final proposal that the existing Polling Place of The Studio is replaced with the Doncaster School for the Deaf.						

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****WHEATLEY****ELECTORATE:****1st September 2014**

10145

CONSTITUENCY: ALL CENTRAL

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
23	DA	2458	515	Town	St Andrews Methodist Church Hall	
24	DB	839	209	Wheatley Hills and Intake	Park Primary School	
25	DC	1105	240	Town	The Hepworth Centre	
26	DD	1434	403	Wheatley Hills and Intake	Ennerdale Communal Hall	
27	DE	734	182	Wheatley Hills and Intake	Info Shop & Community Centre	
28	DF	1164	205	Wheatley Hills and Intake	St Pauls Church Hall	
29	DG	1247	260	Wheatley Hills and Intake	International Community Centre	
30	DH	1164	233	Town	St Marys Church Hall	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for this ward.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:

DISTRICT WARD:

BESSACARR & CANTLEY

ELECTORATE:

1ST September 2014

11401

CONSTITUENCY: ALL CENTRAL

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
31	EA	1150	425	Bessacarr	Hallcross Academy Lower School	minus - 87 Saxton Ave
32	EB	1503	421	Bessacarr	Wilby Carr Community Centre	
33	EC	1075	310	Bessacarr	Hawthorne Primary School	
34	ED	2417	651	Bessacarr	Bessacarr Primary School	plus + 87 Saxton Avenue
35	EE	2021	737	Bessacarr	Ewood Drive Communal Hall	
36	EF	2747	909	Bessacarr	Willow Academy School	
37	EG	488	97	Bessacarr	Portable Unit, Junction of Langsett Court	Portacabins have limited space which is problematic

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts EB, EC, EE and EF in this ward.

Due to the recent Boundary Review it is proposed that approx. 87 Electors (Saxton Avenue) move from polling district EA into polling district ED.

Due to the recent Boundary Review it has been suggested that approx. 1,143 electors at the new development at Lakeside from polling district EA into polling district EG. (Fewston Way, Grassholme Close, Kentmere Drive, Lakeside Boulevard, Langsett Court, Malham Tam Court, Roundhill Court, Winterset Drive, Lakeside Mews Windemere Drive, Derwent Drive, Buttemere Crescent and Ullswater Gardens plus many dwellings still under construction) (Cllr Monty Cuthbert) (concerns regarding railway track and number of new homes)

The Returning Officers final proposal is to retain the current arrangements and revisit this suggestion when the housing development is nearer completion.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****ARMTHORPE****ELECTORATE:****1st SEPTEMBER 2014****11024****CONSTITUENCY: ALL CENTRAL**

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
38	FA	1111	270	Armthorpe	Armthorpe Youth Centre	
39	FB	2464	675	Armthorpe	Walbank Road Communal Hall	
40	FC	2944	938	Armthorpe	Armthorpe Community Centre	
41	FD	1013	210	Armthorpe	Charles Court Extra Care Home	
42	FE	2175	632	Armthorpe	Maple Grove Communal Hall	2 paths leading to station so 2 signs are needed
41	FF	1317	293	Armthorpe	Charles Court Extra Care Home	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No changes are proposed for this ward.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:

DISTRICT WARD:

CONISBROUGH & DENABY

ELECTORATE:

1st September 2014

10469

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DON VALLEY

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
43	GA	814	253	Conisbrough	Elm Green Lane Community Centre	
44	GB	813	214	Conisbrough	Portable Unit, Windmill Avenue	Portacabins have limited space which is problematic
45	GC	699	189	Conisbrough	Castle Academy	
46	GD	514	118	Conisbrough	Sister De Sales Parish Centre	
43	GE	1060	279	Conisbrough	Elm Green Lane Community Centre	
47	GF	1585	440	Conisbrough	Conisbrough Ivanhoe Primary Academy	
48	GG	1375	313	Conisbrough	Rowena Academy	
49	GH	879	291	Conisbrough	Morley Place Junior School	
50	GI	1055	352	Conisbrough	Community Centre, Harrogate Drive	
51	GJ	1404	412	Conisbrough	Community Centre, Hickelton Street	
52	GK	271	90	Conisbrough	Portable Unit, Manor Farm	Portacabins have limited space which is problematic

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No changes are proposed for this ward.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****EDLINGTON & WARMSWORTH****ELECTORATE:****1ST September 2014**

10231

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DON VALLEY

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
53	HA	2221	510	Edlington & Warmsworth	St John the Baptist Church	School would like us to find alternative place.
54	HB	2465	735	Edlington & Warmsworth	Stubbins Hill Community Centre	
55	HC	1459	469	Edlington & Warmsworth	Warmsworth Primary School	
56	HD/HF	1605	514	Conisbrough	Portable Unit, Windmill Avenue	Portacabins have limited space which is problematic
57	HE	865	256	Edlington & Warmsworth	Howbeck Drive Community Centre	
58	HG	1616	517	Edlington & Warmsworth	Warmsworth Community Centre	Can be approached by 2 directions and additional sign is needed

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts HB, HC, HD/HF, HE and HG in this ward.

Polling District HA - It is the Returning Officers final proposal that the existing Polling Place of Edlington Victoria Primary School is replaced with St John the Baptist Church.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:

DISTRICT WARD:

TORNE VALLEY

ELECTORATE:

1st September 2014

9861

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DON VALLEY

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
59	IA/IH	724	170	Tickhill & Wadworth	The Masters House	
60	IB	111	34	Tickhill & Wadworth	Women's Institute Hut	
61	IC	2216	680	Tickhill & Wadworth	Tickhill Parish Rooms	Tickhill Town Council asked if possible not use school
62	ID	2226	668	Tickhill & Wadworth	Scout Hut	Tickhill Town Council asked if possible not use school
63	IE	952	281	Tickhill & Wadworth	Wadworth village Hall	
64	IF	217	63	Tickhill & Wadworth	Stainton Village Hall	
65	IG	178	55	Conisbrough	Clifton Church and Community Centre	
66	II	437	49	Rossington & Bawtry	Austerfield Study Centre	
67	IJ	2800	771	Rossington & Bawtry	New Hall Conference Room	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts IA/IH, IB, IE, IF, IG, II and IJ in this ward.

Polling District IC - It is the Returning Officers final proposal that the existing Polling Place of Tickhill Estfield Primary School is replaced with the Tickhill Parish Rooms.

Polling District ID - It is the Returning Officers final proposal that the existing Polling Place of Tickhill St Mary's Primary School is replaced with the Scout Hut.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:

DISTRICT WARD:

ROSSINGTON

ELECTORATE:

1st September 2014

9969

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DON VALLEY

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
68	JA	1753	564	Rossington & Bawtry	St Michaels Primary School	
69	JB	2071	514	Rossington & Bawtry	Rossington Methodist Church Hall	
70	JC	2062	576	Rossington & Bawtry	Grange Lane Academy	minus -248
71	JD	1004	324	Rossington & Bawtry	Tornedale Infant School	plus + 349
72	JE	1649	567	Rossington & Bawtry	Community Sports Village	plus + 248 minus - 349
73	JF	1430	384	Rossington & Bawtry	Brodsworth Way Pavilion	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts JA, JB and JF in this ward.

Due to the recent Boundary Review it is proposed that approx. 248 Electors move from polling district JC Into polling district JE (90 to 162 and 93 to 135 inc Southwood House, Dove Cottage and The Poacher Radburn Road, Wildflower Close, Troutbeck Way, Persimmon Close, Cantelo Court, Tulyar Close and Regusa Drive)

and;

Approx. 349 Electors from JE to JD (Clay Flat Lane 2 to 92, Elmfield Road 2 to 8 and 1 to 11, Cherry Grove, Chestnut Avenue and Beech Road).
(Cllrs Richard Cooper-Holmes, John Cooke and Hilary McNamee)

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****FINNINGLEY****ELECTORATE:****1st September 2014**

11887

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DON VALLEY

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
74	KA	1444	473	Finningley	Auckley Junior & Infant School	
75	KB	2290	690	Finningley	Cantley Community Centre	
76	KC	948	284	Finningley	Blaxton Village Hall	
77	KD	1679	552	Finningley	Kilham Hall	
78	KE	1368	450	Finningley	St Oswalds Academy	
79	KF	1437	329	Finningley	Hayfield Lane Primary School	
80	KG	2534	935	Finningley	Hatchell Wood Primary School	
81	KH	187	56	Finningley	Portable Unit	1 Nether -There is no longer a separate conservatory
80	KI	454	165	Finningley	Hatchell Wood Primary School	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts KA, KB, KC, KD, KE, KF, KG and KI in this ward.

The Station in the existing polling district KH is no longer suitable as it is no longer separate from the house. No suitable alternative polling place is available, therefore the Returning Officers final proposal is that the polling place is replaced with a portacabin.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****HATFIELD****ELECTORATE:****1st September 2014**

10107

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DON VALLEY

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
82	LA	1678	518	Hatfield	Dunsville Community Centre	
83	LB	1184	325	Hatfield	Dunsville Primary School	
84	LC	1310	416	Hatfield	Broadwater Drive Communal Hall	
85	LD	2690	767	Hatfield	East Doncaster Development Trust	School have req we find alternative polling place
86	LE	3245	998	Hatfield	Hatfield Town Council Offices	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments
<p>No change is proposed for polling districts LA, LB, LC and LE in this ward.</p> <p>Polling District LD - It is the Returning Officers final proposal that the existing Polling Place of Crookesbroom Primary School is replaced with East Doncaster Development Trust.</p>

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****GREAT NORTH ROAD****ELECTORATE:****1st September 2014**

10272

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DONCASTER NORTH

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
87	MA	3438	956	Roman Ridge	Castle Hills Primary School	plus + 20
88	MB	465	122	Bentley	Kirkby Avenue Primary School	plus + 510
89	MC	1802	565	Bentley	Sunnyfields Primary School	minus -20
90	MD	779	141	Adwick le Street & Carcroft	Highfields Community Centre	
91	ME	1920	636	Roman Ridge	Rosedale Primary School	
92	MF/MG	1868	583	Roman Ridge	Scawsby Community Centre	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts MD, ME and MF/MG in this ward.

Due to the recent Boundary Review it is proposed that approx. 20 Electors move from polling district MC Into polling district MA (103-115 Stonehill Rise & 104-116 Amersall Road. (Cllrs Hogarth and Nightingale)

Due to the recent Boundary Review it is proposed that approx. 510 electors from polling district NF (Bentley Ward) Into polling district MB (Frank Road, Conyers Road, Yarborough Terrace, Hunt Lane, Rivera, Chadwick, Earlstone, Grange Court and Bishops Gate.) (Cllrs Hogarth and Nightingale)

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****BENTLEY****ELECTORATE:****1st September 2014**

10169

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DONCASTER NORTH

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
93	NA	1253	325	Bentley	Arksey Primary School	
94	NB	1995	476	Bentley	New Village Primary School	
95	NC	1547	300	Bentley	St Philip & St James Church	Additional lighting to be explored
96	ND	1281	342	Bentley	Bentley Methodist Church Hall	
97	NE	842	201	Bentley	Villa Gardens Community Centre	
98	NF	1759	425	Bentley	Queens Drive Community Centre	minus - 510 plus + 27
99	NG	1492	408	Bentley	Kirkstone Close Communal Hall	minus -27

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts NA, NB, NC, ND and NE in this ward.

Due to the recent Boundary Review it is proposed that approx. 27 electors move from polling district NG Into polling district NF (Lawn Garth). (Cllrs Hogarth and Nightingale)

Due to the recent Boundary Review it is proposed that approx. 510 electors from polling district NF Into polling district MB (GNR) (Frank Road, Conyers Road, Yarborough Terrace, Hunt Lane, Rivera, Chadwick, Earlstone, Grange Court and Bishops Gate.) (Cllrs Hogarth and Nightingale)

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****ADWICK****ELECTORATE****1st September 2014**

10996

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DONCASTER NORTH

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
100	OA	1943	518	Adwick & Carcroft	Whinfell Close Communal Hall	
101	OB	1451	353	Adwick & Carcroft	5th Woodlands Scout Hall	
102	OC	2102	472	Adwick & Carcroft	23rd Doncaster Scout HQ	
103	OD	1501	379	Adwick & Carcroft	Chestnut View Communal Hall	
104	OE	791	289	Adwick & Carcroft	The Hobcroft Centre	
105	OF	1084	254	Adwick & Carcroft	The Circuit House	
106	OG	1124	193	Adwick & Carcroft	Woodlands Primary School	
107	OH	1000	241	Adwick & Carcroft	St Joseph & St Teresas Church Hall	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No changes are proposed for this ward.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****ASKERN SPA****ELECTORATE:****1st September 2014**

9826

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DONCASTER NORTH

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
108	PA	1981	566	Norton & Askern	Moss Road Infant School	
109	PB	197	37	Norton & Askern	Askern Town Council Offices	
110	PC	1724	341	Norton & Askern	Littlemoor Children's Centre & School	
111	PD	248	74	Norton & Askern	Burghwallis Public House	
112	PE	1931	532	Norton & Askern	Norton Community Hall	
113	PF	382	106	Norton & Askern	Campsall Village Hall	
114	PG	1144	281	Norton & Askern	Wellingtonia Drive Communal Hall	
115	PH	173	42	Norton & Askern	Sutton Village Hall	
116	PI	115	42	Norton & Askern	All Saints Church	
117	PJ	1931	644	Norton & Askern	Portable Unit, Bellerby Road	Portacabins have limited space which is problematic

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No changes are proposed in this ward.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****THORNE****ELECTORATE 1 SEPTEMBER 2014:**

10359

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DON VALLEY

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward and Constituency for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
118	QA	1618	410	Thorne & Moorends/Valley	Green Top Primary School	
119	QB	1805	558	Thorne & Moorends/Valley	Thorne Brook Primary School	
120	QC	1085	281	Thorne & Moorends/Valley	St Nicholas Church Hall	
121	QD	1693	474	Thorne & Moorends/Valley	King Edward Primary School	
122	QE	2199	530	Thorne & Moorends/Valley	Thorne & Moorends Town Council Offices	
123	QF	899	229	Thorne & Moorends/Valley	Portable Unit, Hatfield Road	Portacabins have limited space which is problematic
124	QG/QH	662	193	Hatfield	Methodist Church Hall	
125	QJ	398	129	Hatfield	Estate Office	small office with steps

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No changes are proposed in this ward.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:

DISTRICT WARD:

STAINFORTH & MOORENDS

ELECTORATE:

1st September 2014

9288

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DONCASTER NORTH

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward and Constituency for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
126	RA	524	126	Norton & Askern	Fishlake Village Hall	
127	RB	1838	382	Stainforth & Barnby Dun	Holy Family Junior & Infant School	
128	RC	1113	274	Stainforth & Barnby Dun	Stainforth Youth Centre	
129	RD	1550	323	Stainforth & Barnby Dun	Stainforth Methodist Church	
130	RE/RH	386	86	Stainforth & Barnby Dun	Sykehouse Village Hall	
131	RF	101	25	Stainforth & Barnby Dun	The Star Inn Public House	
132	RG/RI	183	44	Stainforth & Barnby Dun	Anfield	
133	RJ	3496	811	Thorne & Moorends	Moorends Miners Welfare & Community Development Centre	School req us to find an alternative
134	RK	97	20	Thorne & Moorends	Moorends Miners Welfare & Community Development Centre	School req us to find an alternative

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts RA, RB, RC, RD, RE/RH, RF and RG/RI in this ward.

Polling Districts RJ and RK - It is the Returning Officers final proposal that the existing Polling Place of West Road Primary School is replaced with Moorends Miners Welfare & Community Development Centre .

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:**DISTRICT WARD:****MEXBOROUGH****ELECTORATE 1 SEPTEMBER 2014:**

11498

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DONCASTER NORTH

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
135	SA	1209	298	Mexborough	The Hall Gate Centre	
136	SB	1700	411	Mexborough	Dolcliffe Hall	
137	SC	2028	466	Mexborough	Pitt Street Infact School	
138	SD	1628	517	Mexborough	Bhatia Centre	Good facilities
139	SE	1678	450	Mexborough	St Johns Junior & Infant School	
140	SF	1534	316	Mexborough	Wath Road Community Centre	
141	SG/SH	1721	403	Mexborough	Highwoods Community Base	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No changes are proposed for this ward.

DISTRICT WARD:

SPROTBROUGH WARD

ELECTORATE 1 SEPTEMBER 2014:

8410

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DONCASTER NORTH

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
142	TA	171	36	Sprotbrough	Adwick upon Dearne Village Hall	
143	TB	1579	447	Sprotbrough	Barnburgh Village Hall	
144	TC	397	130	Sprotbrough	Pickburn Arms Public House	
145	TD	196	54	Sprotbrough	Clayton Village Hall	
146	TE/TF	71	40	Sprotbrough	Church of St Michael & All Angels	
147	TG/TJ	202	83	Sprotbrough	3 Church Lane	
148	TH	210	60	Sprotbrough	St James Church	
149	TI	162	20	Sprotbrough	All Saints School	
150	TK/TM	644	148	Sprotbrough	Royal British Legion	
151	TL	1774	506	Sprotbrough	Goldsmith Community Centre	
152	TN	167	50	Sprotbrough	The Cadeby Inn Public House	
153	TO/TP	1701	855	Sprotbrough	St Marys Church Stable Block	
154	TQ	1136	322	Sprotbrough	Richmond Hill Primary School	notice to be given for utilities to be switched on

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No change is proposed for polling districts TA, TB, TC, TD, TE/TF, TG/TJ, TH, TI, TK/TM, TL, TN and TO/TP in this ward.

Polling Districts TQ - It is the Returning Officers final proposal as the existing Polling Place of Sprotbrough Youth Centre is no longer suitable for use, Richmond Hill Primary School is approached as use as a polling place.

DISTRICT WARD - POST BOUNDARY CHANGE:

DISTRICT WARD:

EDENTHORPE, KIRK SANDALL & BARNBY DUN

ELECTORATE 1 SEPTEMBER 2014:

10797

CONSTITUENCY: ALL DONCASTER CENTRAL.

Polling Station No.	Polling District Letters	No. of Electors 1 September 2014	No. of Postal Voters 1 September 2014	Ward and Constituency for 2015 elections	Polling Place	Comments
155	UA	2909	922	Stainforth & Barnby Dun	Barnby Dun Parish Hall	
156	UB	4065	1175	Edenthorpe & Kirk Sandall	Assembly Hall	
157	UC	2195	631	Edenthorpe & Kirk Sandall	Canon Popham Primary School	
158	UD	1628	533	Edenthorpe & Kirk Sandall	Edenthorpe Community Centre	

Returning Officer's Proposals or Comments

No changes are proposed for this ward.

District Ward	Polling District	Comments
Central	BA	Stirling Primary School have requested us to use an alternative location due to SATS taking place. Residents also commented that the station was hard to find. Therefore site visits have taken place and it is proposed that Quakers House is to be used as a polling place. Alternative polling places were also considered - Central Children's Centre and Boughen Community Centre but they advised were not available.
Town Moor	CG	Polling District CG - premises up for sale and confirmed on 14/01/15 not available in May 2015 - Therefore site visits have taken place and it is proposed that the Doncaster School for the Deaf is to be used as a polling place. Alternative polling places were also considered but unavailable or unsuitable - Intake Social Club and Intake Sports Hall.
Wheatley	DE	Polling District DE, St Leger Homes assets team have advised premises up for sale but will be available to use for May 2015 election.
Bessacarr & Centley	EA	Hallcross Academy Lower School have requested we look for an alternative place, however a suitable alternative polling place cannot be sourced therefore the polling station will remain at Hallcross Academy Lower School.
	EG	The Dome is being considered as an alternative polling station rather than a portacabin.
Edlington & Warmsworth	HA	Edlington Victoria Primary School have asked us to look for an alternative place. Therefore site visits have taken place and it is proposed that St John the Baptist Church is to be used as a polling place. The Orthodox Church was also visited and considered suitable however, they have since decided we can not use it. Yorkshire Main Community Centre and the Youth Centre were suggested but upon inspection are unsuitable due to being outside the polling district.
Torne Valley	IC	Both electors and Tickhill Town Council requested that a School is not used and have asked us to look for an alternative place. Therefore site visits have taken place and it is proposed that the Tickhill Parish Room is to be used as a polling place. Alternative polling places were also considered and visited. The Pavilion - concerns with access and street lighting and the Cricket Club - building works taking place.
	ID	Both electors and Tickhill Town Council requested that a School is not used and have asked us to look for an alternative place. Therefore a site visit took place and it is proposed that the Scout Hut is to be used as a polling place.
Rossington	JD	Tornedale Infant School has no disabled access into the classroom, but a ramp can be used, the School's Hall is a better option for a station and we are checking with the School on the best location for the polling station.
	JE	Community Sports Village - the outer building would be more suitable for location of the station due to access. - checking with them.
Finningley	KH	1 Nether, Cantley Lane is no longer suitable due to the conservatory no longer separate from the house. No suitable alternative polling place is available therefore a portable unit will be used.

Hatfield	LD	Crookesbroom Primary Academy have requested we look for alternative polling place. Cllr Pat Knight suggested that an alternative polling station could be East Doncaster Development Trust. A site visit has taken place and it is proposed that East Doncaster Development Trust be used as an alternative polling place.
Great North Road	MC	Sunnyfields Primary School Community Room does not have disabled access, however there is an alternative entrance with disabled access via the main reception which will be sign posted and is accessible all day.
Bentley	NA	Arksey Primary School have offered an alternative room to use so they can remain open. Site Visit to take place.
	NC	St Philip & St James Church has been reported to have poor lighting therefore an electrician visited the site and confirmed the lights are below the legal level of 300 lux required for reading and writing. Further investigations taking place to see if temporary lighting can be installed on election day.
Thorne	QJ	PO commented that the Estate Office is a small office in a house with steps, however the alternative would be a portable unit and would not resolve the problem therefore we will continue to retain the original polling arrangements.
Stainforth & Moorends	RJ & RK	West Road Primary School have asked that we find an alternative location. A site visit has taken place and it is proposed that Moorends Miners Welfare and Community Development Centre is used as a polling station for electors in both these areas.
Sprotbrough	TG	Electors used to vote at Hickleton Hall before it closed. Electors have used 3 Church Lane for the past four elections and it is proposed that it retains the original polling arrangements and continues to be combined with polling district TJ at 3 Church Lane.
	TQ	Sprotbrough Youth Centre, our Assets team have advised the utilities will be switched off in May. Richmond Hill Primary School was used in PCC election and could be used as an alternative. Waiting for Richmond Hill School to confirm.