

PROPOSED CHANGES FOR VALE OF WHITE HORSE –
POLLING DISTRICT & POLLING PLACES REVIEW 2024 FEEDBACK (EMAILS)

Existing Polling District	Designated Polling Place	Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	FEEDBACK FROM EMAILS
SJD – Milton (Heights)	St Blaise CE School, School Lane, Milton Heights	No change	Milton Hill Bowls Club	No responses received.
SOC – Shellingford	Shellingford Community Hall, Church Street, Shellingford (on school premises)	No change	Potential change TBC – Stanford in the Vale Village Hall	Response received from Fiona Wright (Chair of Shellingford Parish Meeting) to oppose the proposed redesignation of the polling place to another location, as it was noted at a meeting of the Shellingford Hall committee that local residents do not agree with the location being changed. It was also noted in the response that the Headteacher of Shellingford Primary School (Judith Terrell) advised that shutting the school to accommodate use as a polling station was no inconvenience.
SOF – Woolstone	Merestones, Woolstone, Oxon	No change	Thomas Hughes Memorial Hall, Broad Street, Uffington	No responses received.
SSC1 – Wantage No. 3 (Charlton)	The Beacon, Portway, Wantage	No change	Potential change TBC –Wantage Methodist Church	Response received from Iain Cameron (Wantage Town Councillor and Deputy Mayor) to advise of Wantage Town Council's position on parish ward boundaries.

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TGA – Faringdon	The Corn Exchange, Faringdon	Potential change TBC	Potential changes TBC –Faringdon Bowling Club, Faringdon Leisure Centre and Faringdon United Church	<p>Responses received from Cllr Lucy Edwards and Cllr Bethia Thomas who advised that Faringdon Leisure Centre would be a suitable venue, and that they support the notion to split the polling district and designate more than one polling place.</p> <p>It was noted that the Leisure Centre is a preferable alternative when compared to the original proposed suggestions (Faringdon Bowling Club and Faringdon United Church) as it is located further away from The Corn Exchange which should help with traffic congestion in the centre, and also has ample parking available.</p> <p>Cllr Edwards also noted that whilst Faringdon Bowling Club is a good venue, it isn't geographically located very far from The Corn Exchange and as it only has one entrance/exit there may be some congestion accessing the venue. It was noted that Sudbury House Hotel has also been previously used.</p>
TRB – Fyfield and Tubney	Mobile Unit White Hart, White Hart Public House (Car Park), Main Road, Fyfield	No change	Potential change TBC	Response received from Cllr Mark Coleman to advise that there are a very limited number of suitable venues in the Fyfield area and that some residents would find it difficult to travel to neighbouring villages or towns to vote there.
TTG – Fernham	Longcot Methodist Chapel, Fernham Road, Longcot	No change	St Mary the Virgin (Longcot) Community Hub, Church Close, Longcot	No responses received.
TTJ – Longcot	Longcot Methodist Chapel, Fernham Road, Longcot	No change	St Mary the Virgin (Longcot) Community Hub, Church Close, Longcot	No responses received.

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XAA2 – Abingdon No.2 (Caldecott)	St Johns Ambulance, 200 Caldecott Road, Abingdon	No change	Abingdon Carousel Family Centre, Caldecott Chase	No responses received.
XAB1 – Abingdon No.4 (Fitzharris Ock)	Stonewater, Bridges Close, Abingdon	No change	Preston Road Community Centre Or Abingdon Carousel Family Centre	Response received from Cllr Eric de la Harpe to note that Abingdon Carousel Family Centre is more local for the ward than Preston Road, and appears to be a good venue for holding elections.

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XBA – Botley and North Hinksey	St Peter and St Paul's Church, 81 West Way, Botley	Potential change TBC	Potential change TBC –Oxford Rugby Football Club, Botley Women’s Institute Hall, and/or Seacourt Hall	<p>Response received from Cllr Debby Hallett noting that Seacourt Hall is centrally located in Botley with good transport links and is a well-known location that would be easy for residents to find.</p> <p>It is noted that the WI Hall is on a rural lane with some parking in the designated car park, but no on-street parking, and is separated from the main community by the A34. Cllr Hallett also noted that the Rugby Club is a long distance from the main roads and that not many people go there or would know where it is.</p> <p>Cllr Hallett recommended waiting to split the polling district until the Louie Memorial Pavilion is rebuilt, and then use that one polling place with Seacourt Hall as the other designated polling place, as splitting the PD now will leave one small electorate on the east side of the A34 and a larger electorate on the west side.</p> <p>Response received from Emma Gordon (Parish Clerk) at Botley and North Hinksey Parish Council to recommend the use of Seacourt Hall due to its location and parking facilities.</p> <p>The Rosary Room, Church Hall on Yarnell’s Hill was also put forward as a potential alternative to the existing proposed venues, but it was acknowledged that this venue has the same issue with limited parking as St Peter and St Paul’s.</p> <p>The WI Hall was noted as a good option for the other side of the A34 as it has good parking, and that it is a more central option compared to the Rugby Club for the residents on this side of the road (should the polling district be split).</p>

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XDB – Radley No.1	Site Office, Pebble Hill, Mobile Home Park, Radley	No change	Potential change TBC –Radley Church Room, Redrow Site Office	No responses received.