

## Appendix A

# Polling District and Polling Place Review 2023/24 Consultation Responses

<b>Bletchingley &amp; Nutfield</b>	
Bletchingley Village Hall, Nutfield Memorial Hall & Nutfield Village Hall	
<b>Public Comments</b>	
Nutfield Village Hall	Seems to be very well run, never feels crowded. Pretty much ideal, the village hall is central so very convenient
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 1	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 1	No – 0

<b>Burstow, Horne &amp; Outwood</b>	
The Centenary Hall & The Lloyd Hall	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
Cllr Mick Gillman	<p>Horne parish council are keen to see the return of a polling station in the parish. Some years ago, a room in The Jolly Farmer public house was used but after the pub closed residents of Horne have to go to Smallfield to vote. While not great distance to travel it does give some residents concern that they unlike Outwood are not given their own polling station.</p> <p>The parish council have suggested using the cricket club building that the parish owns West Park Road. This building has a large carpark adjoining it with good access. There is a small kitchen and toilets in the building and the main hall is large enough to hold several polling booths as well as space for the polling staff. While there is a small step to get into the building the parish council are in the process of changing this this to ensure good access for disabled people.</p> <p>Could you please consider making the Horne parish council building a polling station. I am sure you can arrange with the parish council a visit to the building. I do appreciate the extra cost of an additional polling station but we need to be mindful about the feelings of residents.</p>
Horne Parish Council	Possibility of the use of the Cricket Pavilion in Horne as the Polling Station
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 1	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 1	No – 0
Officer Comments	Officers explored the possibility of using Lingfield Cricket Club, West Park Road. The building itself would be suitable for use as a polling station. It has parking and is of sufficient size for us to be able to accommodate a polling station there. However, there were concerns around the safety off vehicles entering and exiting the club on the busy West Park Road. There would also be a financial and staffing resource issue. Officers therefore recommend that the

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	polling arrangements remain unchanged. Ward members were informed of this recommendation and made no comment.
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### Chaldon

Chaldon Village Hall

#### Consultation Comments

No comments received.

#### Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?

Yes – 1

No – 0

#### When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?

Yes – 1

No – 0

### Dormansland & Felbridge

St John's Church & Felbridge Village Hall

#### Public Comments

St John's Church	The Centenary Room [at St John's Church] is the most central in the village.
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Felbridge Village Hall	Other than the neighbouring Felbridge Primary School, Felbridge Village Hall is the only venue in the centre of the village with easy access for pedestrians and parking for those who come from the outskirts or who are unable to walk. There is step free access and disabled facilities.
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	This is a very suitable venue with car parking, toilets and easy access.
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#### Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?

Yes – 7

No – 0

#### When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?

Yes – 7

No – 0

### Godstone

The White Hart Barn, Sports Association Hall & The Foreman Institute

#### Consultation Comments

Cllr Chris Farr	I do wonder if the change in polling arrangements might be simpler to keep as "A-B-C" since knowing the villages it may well be taken that the numbers initially suggest a ranking. I therefore suggest the change from GA, GB and GC to GDA, GDB and GDC please.
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#### Public Comments

The White Hart Barn	It is an excellent venue at the heart of the village.
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Sports Association Hall	The South Godstone polling station is situated at the far end of the village and if it were centrally situated i.e. St Stephens Church hall, it be more accessible for walking to for some of the older residents on the west side of the village this would have the advantage by alleviating more vehicles having to proceed past the village school when parents are dropping off and collecting children plus less pollution.
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The Foreman Institute	Plenty of parking space provided. Needed as we live well beyond walking distance from the venue.
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<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 4	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 3	No – 1
Officer Comments	Officers explored the possibility of using St Stephen’s Church instead of the Sports Association Hall. The facilities at the church would make it suitable for use as a polling station. Ward members expressed concern around parking facilities and safety around the entrance and exit of the car park onto the A22. Surrey County Council Highways also raised concerns about the impact on the A22. Officers therefore recommend no changes to the polling arrangements. Officers also recommend polling district references be as listed in appendix B, to ensure consistency across the District.

<b>Harestone</b>	
The Soper Hall	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
Cllr Annette Evans	Soper Hall works well for Harestone.
<b>Public Comments</b>	
The Soper Hall	Soper Hall – excellent
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 2	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 2	No – 0

<b>Limpsfield</b>	
St Peter’s Hall & St Andrew’s Church Hall	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
No comments received.	
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 1	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 1	No – 0

<b>Lingfield &amp; Crowhurst</b>	
Lingfield & Dormansland Community Centre, Crowhurst Village Hall & Tandridge Village Hall	
<b>Public Comments</b>	
Crowhurst Village Hall	Easy to park - minimal walking.
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 2	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 2	No – 0

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<b>Oxted North</b>	
Oxted Community Hall	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
No Comments Received	

<b>Oxted South</b>	
Hurst Green Community Centre	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
Cllr Bryan Black	No major change for my ward so generally happy.
<b>Public Comments</b>	
Hurst Green Community Centre	Ideal. Good access, plenty of room, nice and bright inside.
	I usually have a postal vote but if I needed to vote in person, the Hurst Green community centre is ideal for me.
	Located centrally with parking so easy for everyone to get to and access all on one level. Very spacious. Aggies Hall, Evangelical church, Methodist church possible alternatives.
	Central location. Big enough to get in and around the tables etc easily. Easy parking. Nothing MORE suitable. It's probably the best.
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 4	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 4	No – 0

<b>Portley &amp; Queens Park</b>	
de Stafford School & Caterham Hill Library	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
No Comments Received	

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<b>Tatsfield &amp; Titsey</b>	
Tatsfield Village Hall	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
Cllr Martin Allen	There really is nowhere else with the same capacity, parking and facilities within the village centre to handle this.
Tatsfield Parish Council	Tatsfield Parish Council wholeheartedly supports the polling place at Tatsfield Village Hall. Not only is this the long standing polling place for the parish but it is of a suitable size, in a central village location and is accessible for all voters.
<b>Public Comments</b>	
Tatsfield Village Hall	Central location - convenient for all Tatsfield residents to use.
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 2	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 2	No – 0

<b>Valley</b>	
Caterham Baptist Church	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
No Comments Received	

<b>Warlingham East, Chelsham &amp; Farleigh</b>	
Warlingham Methodist Church & The Bull Inn	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
Honorary Alderman Simon Morrow	I am happy with the recommendations for the two Warlingham wards.
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
No Comments Received	
Officer Comments	Warlingham Sports Club, as an alternative to Warlingham Methodist Church, was considered. However, there are insufficient voters located within a convenient distance to the Sports Club to make it viable. Viability could only be achieved by reducing the number of stations at the church from one to two. However, the location of voters means the majority benefit from a polling station at the church. Officers therefore recommend no changes to the polling arrangements.

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<b>Warlingham West</b>	
Warlingham Community Library	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
Cllr Robin Bloore	As far as the location for a Polling Place, then the library is ideal as it has only recently been relocated to that venue.
Honorary Alderman Simon Morrow	I am happy with the recommendations for the two Warlingham wards.
<b>Public Comments</b>	
Warlingham Community Library	Yes. I have sent an email to "democratic services" about the potential of Warlingham Sports Club. I am conscious, as a resident, that parking by the Guide Barn is limited, whereas there is plenty at the Sports Club in Church Lane. However, the Sports Club may be in the wrong ward.
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 0	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 0	No – 0
Officer Comments	See officers' comments in Warlingham East section in relation to Warlingham Sports Club, which is located in Warlingham East.

<b>Westway</b>	
The Arc	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
No comments received.	
<b>Public Comments</b>	
The Arc	It's a bit small.
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
Yes – 1	No – 0
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
Yes – 1	No – 0

<b>Whyteleafe</b>	
St Luke's Whyteleafe	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
No Comments Received	

<b>Woldingham</b>	
Woldingham Village Hall	
<b>Consultation Comments</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>Is the polling station you use to cast your vote convenient for you to get to?</b>	
No Comments Received	
<b>When you get to the polling station is it easy to gain entry?</b>	
No Comments Received	