Overview of East Herts District Council polling district and polling station review – there are 26 districts that consist of 91 polling stations split over 109 electorate registers. The district is deemed as mainly rural with 4 larger towns.

Following the interim review of Polling District and Polling Places for 2024 and analysis of representatives received please see below the final recommendations of the review.

The consultation document consists of three key appendixes.

Key for Document Quick Reference.

No Shading	NO Proposed Changes
Amber	Venues NO longer available for use as Polling Station
Green	Proposed Changes for Polling Stations
Blue	Double or Triple Polling Stations
Purple	Schools – There has been a directive, if possible, AVOID using educational facilities as Polling Station Venues
Grey	Responses to comments on current polling stations resolutions sought

APPENDIX ONE: 13 Districts or 49 Polling Stations - NO proposed changes.

APPENDIX TWO: 8 Districts with 25 Polling Stations - NO proposed changes, however we will endeavour to improve the electorate experience in these areas. The main challenges/issues raised in these polling districts and stations are poor lighting and lack of parking.

Lighting we can address, wherever possible /provide additional lighting on polling days.

Car Parking facilities are a little more difficult to resolve, however where there are known polling stations that have a lack of car parking facilities we can write out to the electorate in these areas and offer postal votes, pointing out poor parking.

APPENDIX THREE: 5 Districts with 17 Polling Stations – These are polling stations that have been identified as not fir for purpose or are educational facilities that would prefer not to be used as polling stations.

Recommendations for consideration for these polling stations are included in appendix three.

APPENDIX ONE - No changes are proposed in the following district areas/polling stations during this 2024 consultation process.

- Aston, Datchworth and Walkern
- Bishop's Stortford North
- Braughing and Standon
- Great Amwell and Stansteads
- Hertford Bengeo
- Hertford Heath and Brickendon
- Gilston and Hunsdon
- Little Hadham and The Pelhams
- Much Hadham
- The Mundens
- Watton-at-Stone
- Ware Priory
- Ware Rural

ASTON, DATCHWORTH AND WALKERN - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of the Aston, Datchworth and Walkern ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages.

The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary	County Division	Parish Council	Number of	Total	In Person	Postal
District	Area			Properties	Number of Electors	Voters	Voters
					Electors		
ADW1	Stevenage	Hertford Rural	Aston Parish Council	405	703	534	169
ADW2	Stevenage	Hertford Rural	Datchworth Parish Council	651	1257	969	288
ADW3	North East	Hertford Rural		386	699	579	120
	Hertfordshire		Benington Parish Council				
ADW4	North East	Hertford Rural		716	1229	1011	218
	Hertfordshire		Walkern Parish Council				

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
ADW1	Aston Village Hall – SG2 7ED.	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
ADW2	Datchworth Village Hall – SG3 6TL.	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
ADW3	Benington Village Hall – SG2 7LN.	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
ADW4	Walkern Sports and Community Centre – SG2 7NP.	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS

BISHOP'S STORTFORD NORTH - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of the Bishop Stortford Central ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
BSN1	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford West	Silverley's	971	1374	1163	211
BSN2	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford West	Silverley's	1138	1927	1493	434
BSN3	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford East	Chantry	1849	2823	2317	506

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
BSN1	Bishops Park Community Centre	No reported issues. No proposed changes.
BSN2	Bishops Park Community Centre	No reported issues. No proposed changes.
BSN3	Grange Paddocks	No reported issues. No proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

BISHOP'S STORTFORD PARSONAGE - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of the Bishop Stortford Parsonage ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 2 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
BSP1	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford East	Parsonage	1217	2001	1538	463
BSP2	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford East	Parsonage	1506	2845	2247	598

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place Comments		
		Currently used as a triple station.	
BSP1	Parsonage Community Hall – CM23 5PY	NO proposed changes	
		Currently used as a triple station.	
BSP2	Parsonage Community Hall – CM23 5PY	NO proposed changes	

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

BRAUGHING AND STANDON - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of the Braughing and Standon ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary	County Division	Parish Council	Number of	Total	In Person	Postal
District	Area			Properties	Number	Voters	Voters
					of Electors		
	North East	Buntingford					
BRS1	Hertfordshire		Braughing Parish	591	1086	913	173
	North East	Buntingford					
BRS2	Hertfordshire		Standon Parish, Puckeridge Ward	1353	2333	2020	313
	North East	Ware North					
BRS3	Hertfordshire		Standon Parish, Standon Ward	614	1132	949	183
	North East	Ware North					
BRS4	Hertfordshire		Standon Parish, Colliers End Ward	91	164	140	24

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
BRS1	Old Boys School	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
BRS2	Standon and Puckeridge Community Centre	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
BRS3	Standon Village Hall	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes
BRS4	Standon Village Hall	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

GREAT AMWELL AND STANSTEADS - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of the Great Amwell and Stansteads wards and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of	Total	In	Postal
District				Properties	Number	Person	Voters
					of Electors	Voters	
GAS1	Hertford & Stortford	Ware South	Great Amwell Parish Council	987	1770	1451	319
GAS2	Hertford & Stortford	Ware South	Stanstead St Margarets, West Ward	185	426	351	75
GAS3	Hertford & Stortford	Sawbridgeworth	Stanstead St Margarets, East Ward	493	830	676	154
GAS4	Hertford & Stortford	Sawbridgeworth	Stanstead Abbotts Parish	867	1434	1257	177

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
GAS1	Parish Hall Great Amwell – SG12 9SG	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
GAS2	St Margaretsbury Recreation Ground Clubhouse – SG12 8EH	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
GAS3	St Margaretsbury Recreation Ground Clubhouse – SG12 8EH	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
GAS4	Stanstead Abbotts Parish Hall – SG12 8EZ	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

HERTFORD BENGEO - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of the Hertford Bengeo ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary Area	County Council	Parish Council	Number of	Total Number	In Person	Postal Voters
District				Properties	of Electors	Voters	
HBE1	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford All Saints	Bengeo North	1264	2347	1828	519
HBE2	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford All Saints	Bengeo North	1023	1827	1474	353
HBE3	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford All Saints	Bengeo North	1306	2034	1676	358
HBE4	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Bengeo South	303	519	416	103

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
HBE1	Bengeo Sports Pavilion – SG14 3JE	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
HBE2	The Bengeo Club – SG14 3JG	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
HBE3	3rd Hertford Scout Headquarters – SG14 3AF	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
HBE4	St Andrews Church Centre – SG14 – 1HZ	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

HERTFORD HEATH AND BRICKENDON - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of the Hertford Heath & Brickendon ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 2 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
HHB1	Hertford & Stortford	Ware South	Hertford Heath	1009	1816	1585	231
HHB2	Hertford & Stortford	Ware South	Brickendon Liberty Parish	297	563	469	94

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
HHB1	Hertford Heath Village Hall – SG13 7RH	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
HHB2	Fanshaws Room, Brickendon Liberty Hall – SG13 8PB	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

GILSTON AND HUNSDON - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of the Gilston & Hunsdon ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 3 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
HUN1	Hertford & Stortford	Sawbridgeworth	Eastwick Parish	90	136	123	13
HUN2	Hertford & Stortford	Sawbridgeworth	Hunsdon Parish	503	926	802	124
HUN3	Hertford & Stortford	Sawbridgeworth	Gilston Parish	289	546	466	80

POLLING PLACE

Polling	Polling Place	Comments
District		
HUN1	Gilston Village Hall – CM20 2RB	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
HUN2	Hunsdon Village Hall – SG12 8NJ	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
HUN3	Gilston Village Hall – CM20 2RB	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

LITTLE HADHAM AND THE PELHAMS - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of the Little Hadham and The Pelhams ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 7 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
					Electors		
	North East	Bishop's Stortford Rural					
LHP1	Hertfordshire		Albury Parish	235	486	403	83
	North East	Bishop's Stortford Rural					
LHP2	Hertfordshire		Furneux Pelham Parish	222	441	364	77
	North East	Bishop's Stortford Rural					
LHP3	Hertfordshire		Little Hadham Parish	483	927	762	165
	North East	Bishop's Stortford Rural					
LHP4	Hertfordshire		Stocking Pelham Parish	69	153	135	18
	North East	Buntingford					
LHP5	Hertfordshire		Anstey Parish	145	275	235	40
	North East	Buntingford					
LHP6	Hertfordshire		Brent Pelham Parish	77	151	128	23
	North East	Buntingford					
LHP7	Hertfordshire		Meesden Parish	46	95	83	12

POLLING PLACE

Polling	Polling Place	Comments
District		
LHP1	Albury Village Hall – SG11 2QR	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
LHP2	Furneux Pelham Village Hall – SG9 0LL	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
LHP3	Little Hadham Village Hall – SG11 2BP	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
LHP4	Stocking Pelham Village Hall – SG9 0HE	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

LHP5	Anstey Village Hall – SG9 0BY	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
LHP6	Brent Pelham Village Hall – SG9 0HE	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
LHP7	Meesden Village Hall – SG9 0BD	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

MUCH HADHAM - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of Much Hadam ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
MHA1	Hertford & Stortford	Sawbridgeworth	High Wych Parish	80	161	142	19
MHA2	Hertford & Stortford	Sawbridgeworth	High Wych Parish	262	468	398	70
MHA3	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford Rural	Much Hadham Parish	689	1237	1020	217
MHA4	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford Rural	Much Hadham Parish	200	367	309	58

POLLING PLACE

Polling	Polling Place	Comments
District		
MHA1	Allens Green Village Hall – CM21 0LR	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
MHA2	High Wych Village Hall – CM21 0HX	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
MHA3	Much Hadham Village Hall – SG10 6BS	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
MHA4	Mission Hall Green Tye – SG10 6JP	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

THE MUNDENS - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of The Mundens ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 6 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
District				Troperties	Electors	Voters	Voters
	North East	Hertford Rural					
MUN1	Hertfordshire		Ardeley Parish	179	342	302	40
	North East	Buntingford					
MUN2	Hertfordshire		Westmill Parish	135	222	195	27
	North East	Buntingford					
MUN3	Hertfordshire		Great Munden Parish	132	301	253	48
	North East	Hertford Rural					
MUN4	Hertfordshire		Little Munden Parish	400	777	671	106
	North East	Hertford Rural					
MUN5	Hertfordshire		Sacombe Parish	81	127	103	24
	North East	Hertford Rural					
MUN6	Hertfordshire		Bengeo Rural Parish	295	505	430	75

POLLING PLACE

Polling	Polling Place	Comments
District		
MUN1	Ardeley Village Hall – SG2 7AH	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
MUN2	Westmill Village Hall – SG9 9LG	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
MUN3	Great Munden Church Hall – SG11 1HG	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
MUN4	Little Munden Memorial Hall – SG12 0NR	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
MUN5	Little Munden Memorial Hall – SG12 0NR	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

MUN6	Tonwell Village Hall – SG12 0HN	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
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POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

WATTON AT STONE - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of Watton at Stone ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary	County Division	Parish Council	Number of	Total Number	In Person	Postal Voters
District	Area			Properties	of Electors	Voters	
	North East	Hertford Rural					
WAS1	Hertfordshire		Watton at Stone Parish	1112	2009	1679	330
	North East	Hertford Rural					
WAS2	Hertfordshire		Bramfield Parish	118	203	166	37
	North East	Hertford Rural					
WAS3	Hertfordshire		Stapleford Parish	244	465	372	93

POLLING PLACE

Polling	Polling Place	Comments
District		
WAS1	The Nigel Poulton Memorial Hall – SG14 3SF	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
WAS2	Bramfield Village Hall – SG14 2QL	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
WAS3	Stapleford Village Hall – SG14 3PA	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

WARE PRIORY - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of Ware Priory ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 3 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
WPR1	Hertford & Stortford	Ware South	Ware Chadwell	1722	2585	2209	376
WPR2	Hertford & Stortford	Ware South	Ware Christchurch	1004	1268	1061	207
WPR3	Hertford & Stortford	Ware South	Ware Christchurch	1054	1713	1472	241

POLLING PLACE

Polling District Polling Place		Comments		
WPR1	Ware Drill Hall – SG12 9HP	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.		
WPR2	Priory Hall – SG12 9AL	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.		
WPR3	Christ Church Hall – SG12 7BS	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.		

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

WARE RURAL - NO PROPOSED CHANGE

The map of Ware Rural ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary	County Division	Parish Council	Number of	Total	In	Postal
District	Area			Properties	Number of Electors	Person	Voters
	North East	Ware North			or Electors	Voters	
WRR1	Hertfordshire	Wate North	Thunderidge Parish, Thunderidge Ward	427	766	651	115
	North East	Ware North					
WRR2	Hertfordshire		Thunderidge Parish, High Cross Ward	255	476	416	60
	Hertford &	Sawbridgeworth					
WRR3	Stortford		Wareside Parish, Rural Ward	290	524	459	65
	Hertford &	Sawbridgeworth					
WRR4	Stortford		Widford Parish	278	504	443	61

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
WRR1	Thunderidge Village Hall – SG12 0SZ	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
WRR2	High Cross Village Hall – SG11 1AR	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
WRR3	Wareside Village Hall – SG12 7QY	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
WRR4	Widford Village Hall – SG12 8SH	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

APPENDIX TWO: No changes are currently proposed in the following district areas/polling stations, taking consideration of comments received, and subsequent investigation of possible alternative sites. However the consultation process is duty bound to look at alternative venues where feasible.

- Bishop's Stortford All Saints
- Bishop's Stortford Central
- Bishop's Stortford Parsonage
- Bishop's Stortford Thorley Manor
- Hertford Kingsmead
- Hertford Rural
- Sawbridgeworth
- Ware St Mary's

BISHOP'S STORTFORD ALL SAINTS

The map of the Bishop Stortford All Saints ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 3 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
BSA1	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford East	All Saints	697	1131	904	227
BSA2	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford East	All Saints	1343	2321	1875	446
BSA3	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford West	Waterside	648	641	580	61

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments		
		Issues over parking and lighting		
BSA1	All Saints Vestry	NO proposed changes.		
BSA2	Herts & Essex Sports Centre	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.		
BSA3	South Mill Arts Centre	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.		

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

BSA1 – All Saints Vestry – Issues over parking for electorate

CONSULTATION PROPOSAL:

Proposal for consideration, Cllr Calvin Horner - Bishop's Stortford All Saints

I support the proposal for no changes in polling place locations.

BSA1 – All Saints Vestry - I would ask that consideration be given to re-drawing the boundary between BSA1 and BSA2 so that properties in Shortcroft, Manor Links, Cecil Close, Mayes Close, Braid Close, Vardon Drive, Norris Close and Brooke Gardens (all east of Dunmow Road and further from All Saints vestry than Herts and Essex Sports Centre) be transferred to BSA2. Having spoken to residents from this area they were particularly concerned about the lack of parking at All Saints vestry having previously voted at Parsonage Hall prior to the recent Boundary Review, many are elderly and rely on private cars. Conversely, the properties in Hockerill Street, Crown Terrace, Bakers Court, Dane Street, Red Lion Court, Thomas Heskin Court, London Road and Harrington Close (all closer to All Saints vestry than Herts and Essex Sports Hall) be transferred to BSA1. This would address the issue raised of lack of parking at All Saints vestry, by increasing the likelihood that electors will walk to the polling station rather than drive.

Email dated 28th November 2024.

The map of the Bishop Stortford Central ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of	Total	In Person	Postal Voters
District				Properties	Number of	Voters	
					Electors		
BSC1	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford West	Central	1415	1887	1619	268
BSC2	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford West	Central	1197	2068	1800	268
BSC3	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford West	Central	289	456	340	116
BSC4	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford West	Central	588	1075	894	181

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments		
		Issues raised over parking.		
BSC1	Wesley Hall, Methodist Church. CM23 NO proposed changes.			
BSC2	Havers Community Centre. CM23 3GE	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.		
		Issues raised over parking & lighting.		
BSC3	Windhill Churches Centre. CM23 2PE	NO proposed changes.		
BSC4	South Mill Arts. CM23 3JG	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.		

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

CONSULTATION PROPOSAL:

BSC1 - Wesley Hall Methodist Church

Wesley Hall, Methodist Church has been used since XXXX for elections. The shortage of parking is an issue in the Bishop's Stortford area that again can be pointed out on the polling cards or alternative is to offer postal vote

BSC3 - Windhill Churches Centre

Windhill Churches Centre has been used since 2019 for elections. The Elections team have previously received complaints regarding the lack of parking and poor street lighting. The issues are exasperated due to it being a dual station.

Observation Note: parking is an issue across the Bishop's Stortford Central Area.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School and St Mary's Catholic School have each previously been used as polling places but both schools have requested NOT to be used and the Council's directive is to avoid using schools where alternatives are available.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the BSC3 polling district.

CONSULTATION PROPSAL:

Proposal for consideration: Cllr Calvin Horner - Bishop's Stortford Central

I do not propose any changes to the polling place locations.

For BSC3 the only other venue within the vicinity, but outside the polling district is the Apton Centre. However, this does not have its own parking and would be very inconvenient for those who drive as they would have to negotiate the one-way system around the town centre. Parking at the Windhill Churches Centre would be greatly eased if it no longer served as the polling place for BST3.

Recommendation to look at continuing use of BSC1 – Wesley Hall, Methodist Church and BSC3 – Windhill Churches Centre as no suitable alternatives in the boundary area.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD THORLEY MANOR

The map of the Bishop Stortford Thorley Manor ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of	Total	In Person	Postal
District				Properties	Number of	Voters	Voters
					Electors		
BST1	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford Rural	Thorley Manor South	968	2099	1643	456
BST2	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford West	Thorley Manor North	1001	1853	1565	288
BST3	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford West	Thorley Manor North	958	2021	1561	460
BST4	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford Rural	Thorley Manor South	635	1251	994	257

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments		
BST1	St Michael's Mead Community Centre – CM23 4FZ	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.		
BST2	Thorley Community Centre – CM23 4RF	Issues with parking and location		
BST3	Windhill Churches Centre – CM23 2PE	Issues over parking, lighting, and location		
BST4	Thorley Community Centre – CM23 4RF	Issues with parking and location		

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW - CONSULTATION

BST2 & BST4 - Thorley Community Centre.

Issues have been raised by electorate with parking and location.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the BST2 & BST4 polling district.

BST3 - Windhill Churches Centre.

Issues have been raised by electorate with parking, lighting and location.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the BST3 polling district.

CONSULTATION PROPSAL:

Proposal consideration from Cllr Calvin Horner - Bishop's Stortford Thorley Manor

BST2 & BST4 – I am aware that Thorley Christian Centre was used as a polling station for the BST4 area prior to 202, when it was unavailable. This would be a more convenient location for BST4, but less so for BST2 within which the Thorley Community Centre is located. I would therefore propose that BST2 remains at its current polling place whilst consideration is made to moving BST4.

BST3 – I am not aware of any possible locations within the polling district. The one alternative to the Windhill Church Centre would be Thorley Community Centre, which is a closer to the polling district.

BST2 & BST4 – suggested use of Thorley Christian Centre – approach has been made and they are Not available for hire they have a permanent private school hire which they will not cancel for elections.

HERTFORD KINGSMEAD

The map of the Hertford Kingsmead ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 3 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
HKI1	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford All Saints	Hertford All Saints	1189	2171	1873	298
HKI2	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford All Saints	Hertford All Saints	1304	2300	1923	377
HKI3	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford St Andrews	15012	2269	1991	278

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
HKI1	Pinehurst Community Centre – SG13 7SS	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
HKI2	Communal Lounge, Braziers Field – SG13 7JS	Too small
HKI3	Methodist Church Hall – SG13 7DZ	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW - CONSULTATION

HKI2 - Communal Lounge Braziers Field.

Venue is too small for the electorate number. The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the HKI2 polling district.

Vicky Glover Ward comments

I would have significant concerns if Braziers Field communal lounge stops being a polling station; I know that this was mooted a couple of years ago because of issues in queuing during Covid and there was a recommendation to combine this polling station with the one in Pinehurst Community Centre. As a local councillor I would make the following comments:

- 1. Pinehurst Community Centre is situated at the top of Gallow Hill which has steep incline. This will discourage people within Kingsmead from walking or cycling to the polling station. There is only one entrance and exit road to Pinehurst, which is often affected by the traffic chaos at Rush Green roundabout. As such the disincentive to active travel coupled with the inability to access the polling station by vehicle may prevent some members of the community from voting.
- 2. Braziers Field worked well as a polling station in the recent general election and also the one for East Herts and Town Council elections in my opinion. With the more streamlined set up allowing ingress and exit via two different doors this mitigated the previous issue which was caused by ingress and exit being via the same single width doorway to access the lounge.
- 3. If Braziers Field is to be discontinued as a polling station then a more appropriate alternative from an accessibility aspect would be doubling up the Methodist hall or using the Pioneer hall next door to the centre

HERTFORD RURAL

The map of the Hertford Rural ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 5 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary	County Division	Parish Council	Number of	Total	In Person	Postal
District	Area			Properties	Number of	Voters	Voters
					Electors		
	North East	Hertford Rural					
HRR1	Hertfordshire		Bayford	187	375	307	68
	North East	Hertford Rural					
HRR2	Hertfordshire		Hertingfordbury Parish	279	527	423	104
	North East	Hertford Rural					
HRR3	Hertfordshire		Little Berkhampstead	223	433	353	80
	North East	Hertford Rural					
HRR4	Hertfordshire		Tewin Parish South Ward	401	796	661	135
	North East	Hertford Rural					
HRR5	Hertfordshire		Tewin Parish North Ward	263	528	397	131

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
HRR1	Bayford Memorial Hall – SG13 8PX	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
HRR2	Hertingfordbury Cowper School – SG14 2LR	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
HRR3	Little Berkhampstead Village Hall – SG13 8LY	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
HRR4	Tewin Memorial Hall – AL6 0JX	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
HRR5	Tewin Memorial Hall – AL6 0JX	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW - CONSULTATION

HRR2 - Hertingfordbury Cowper School.

School venue ideally would prefer not to be used.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venue in the HRR2 polling district.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH

The map of Sawbridgeworth ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary Area	County	Parish Council	Number	Total	In Person	Postal
District		Division		of	Number	Voters	Voters
				Properties	of Electors		
		Sawbridgeworth	Sawbridgeworth Town				
SAW1	Hertford & Stortford		Council	2092	3648	2938	710
		Sawbridgeworth	Sawbridgeworth Town				
SAW2	Hertford & Stortford		Council	92	179	140	39
		Sawbridgeworth	Sawbridgeworth Town				
SAW3	Hertford & Stortford		Council	680	1157	1021	136
		Sawbridgeworth	Sawbridgeworth Town				
SAW4	Hertford & Stortford		Council	1326	2145	1733	412

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
SAW1	The Hailey Day Centre – CM21 9AN	Good venue, however, a little small to use as a dual station
SAW2	Leventhorpe School – CM21 9BY	Ideally need to move away from using a school
SAW3	Bullfields Centre – CM21 9EA	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.
SAW4	Leventhorpe School – CM21 9BY	Ideally need to move away from using a school

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW - CONSULTATION

SAW1 - The Hailey Day Centre.

Consideration if the registers were split – could continue to use The Hailey Day Centre and then possibly use one of the following alternative venues:

- Town Council Chamber next door
- Cricket Club is located not far away and has a good pavilion CM21 9HJ.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venue in the SAW1 polling district.

SAW2 & SAW4 - Leventhorpe School.

School venue ideally would prefer not to be used.

Considerations:

- SAW4 combine SAW4 with SAW3 and use The Bullfields Centre.
- SAW2 Mandeville Primary School has just had an extension and could be an option to replace Leventhorpe School.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venue in the SAW2 & SAW4 polling district.

WARE ST MARY'S

The map of Ware St Mary's ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
WSM1	Hertford & Stortford	Ware North	Ware St Marys	581	962	784	178
WSM2	Hertford & Stortford	Ware North	Ware St Marys	770	1446	1141	305
WSM3	Hertford & Stortford	Ware North	Ware St Marys	981	1668	1416	252
WSM4	Hertford & Stortford	Ware North	Ware St Marys	470	896	783	113

POLLING PLACE

Polling	Polling Place	Comments		
District				
WSM1	Scouts HQ Poles Lane – SG12 0SF	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.		
WSM2	Royal British Legion Hall – SG12 0AG	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.		
WSM3	Age Concern Hall – SG12 0DE	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.		
WSM4	St Mary's Junior School – SG12 0RL	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.		

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

WSM4 - St Mary's Junior School

School venue ideally would prefer not to be used.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venue in the WSM4 polling district.

APPENDIX THREE - Proposed Changes to polling stations are as follows proposal in:

- Buntingford
- Bishop's Stortford South
- Hertford Castle
- Hertford Sele
- Ware Trinity

BUNTINGFORD

The map of the Buntingford ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 6 polling districts; details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
	North East	Buntingford					
BUN1	Hertfordshire		Buckland Parish	116	226	198	28
BUN2	North East Hertfordshire	Buntingford	Buntingford Parish Council	3449	6013	5140	873
BUN3	North East Hertfordshire	Buntingford	Wyddial Parish Council	60	122	109	13
BUN4	North East Hertfordshire	Buntingford	Aspenden Parish Council	99	175	154	21
BUN5	North East Hertfordshire	Buntingford	Cottered Parish Council	294	536	454	82
BUN6	North East Hertfordshire	Buntingford	Hormead Parish Council	319	598	509	89

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments
BUN1	The Countryman Inn – SG9 0PG	Site is due for Development.
		Currently used as a triple station. Option to move one ward back to the
BUN2	The Seth Ward Community Centre – SG9 9SG	Manor House. Or extend room availability in current venue.
BUN3	Rosemead – SG9 0EX.	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
BUN4	The Restaurant at The Fox – SG9 9PD	NO longer able to use as a polling station.
BUN5	Cottered Village Hall – SG9 9RA	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.
BUN6	Hormead Village Hall – SG9 0NZ	NO reported issues. NO proposed changes.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

CONSULTATION - PROPOSALS FOR REVIEW

BUN1 - The Countryman Inn.

The site that the inn resides on is due for development. The Inn was used for the Police Crime Commissioner & Parliamentary Elections in 2024. However, there is uncertainty as to the future use of the venue.

Therefore, the consultation document seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the BUN1 polling district.

Upon investigation there is a possibility that the site could be used however we are still waiting on confirmation

BUN2 - The Seth Ward Community Centre.

Using one hall as a triple station has previously caused confusion for some electors.

Historically the Manor House previously has been used as a polling station (2021). However, due to increase in the electorate numbers in BUN2 the register had to be split into three separate registers.

Potential Suggestions:

- Use the entire Seth Ward Community Centre x 3 rooms having one register in each room.
- Potentially move back 1 register to the Manor House.

Therefore, the consultation requires guidance on the above proposals on BUN2.

Upon investigation Seth Ward Community Centre can be used as a triple station providing the 'Campbell Hall' is laid out in an appropriate manor/signage and additional staff.

BUN4 - The Restaurant at the Fox Public House

Has been used as a polling station for several years with no reported issues, However, the pub has recently changed ownership and the new owner no longer wishes for it to be used as a polling station.

Potential Suggestions:

- Alternative venue St Mary's Church within the village. (Circa 5-minute walk from The Fox).
 - Limited parking/step incline to church.
- Alternative venue Seth Ward Community Centre 'Scott Room'

Therefore, the consultation document seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the BUN4 polling district.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD SOUTH

The map of the Bishop Stortford South ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
2.5000					Electors	1000.5	100015
BSS1	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford Rural	Bishop's Stortford South	910	1728	1363	365
BSS2	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford Rural	Bishop's Stortford South	1029	1753	1408	345
BSS3	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford Rural	Thorley Urban	360	351	321	39
BSS4	Hertford & Stortford	Bishop's Stortford Rural	Thorley Rural	21	56	49	7

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments		
BSS1	The Bishop Stortford High School - CM23 3LU	Need to move away from the school		
BSS2	St Barnabus Centre – CM23 4BE	Issues over parking and location		
BSS3	St Barnabus Centre – CM23 4BE	Issues over parking and location		
BSS4	St Barnabus Centre – CM23 4BE	Issues over parking and location		

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW - CONSULTATION

BSS1- The Bishop Stortford High School

This site is no longer available. Previous suggestions were to use Richard Whittington Primary School or Thorley Hill Primary School as suitable alternatives, however both schools have asked NOT to be used if possible.

Previous suggested alternative to look at Bishop's Stortford Baptist Church Centre, Twyford Road.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the BSS1 polling district.

BSS2, BSS3, BSS4 - St Barnabus Centre

This was a new venue following the loss of BSS1 site. There have been issues raised by electorate as to parking & location.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the BSS2, BSS3 & BSS4 polling districts.

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW - CONSULTATION

BSS1- The Bishop Stortford High School

This site is no longer available. Previous suggestions were to use Richard Whittington Primary School or Thorley Hill Primary School as suitable alternatives, however both schools have asked NOT to be used if possible.

Previous suggested alternative to look at Bishop's Stortford Baptist Church Centre, Twyford Road.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the BSS1 polling district.

BSS2, BSS3, BSS4 – St Barnabus Centre

This was a new venue following the loss of BSS1 site. There have been issues raised by electorate as to parking & location.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venues in the BSS2, BSS3 & BSS4 polling districts.

Proposal consideration from Cllr Calvin Horner - Bishop's Stortford South

BSS1 - I would support the proposal to consider the Bishop's Stortford Baptist Church Centre site, either the Church Centre itself or The Bridge building, located on the same site. Both have disabled access and ample parking. I am unaware of other possible venues within the BSS1 area.

BSS2-4 – Notwithstanding the Council's policy to avoid using school sites consideration could be given to the new Bishop's Stortford High School site on St. James's Park. A community centre is planned for St. James's Park, which would be a future alternative, although not yet constructed.

HERTFORD CASTLE

The map of the Hertford Castle ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
HCA1	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford Castle	1895	2441	1930	511
HCA2	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford Castle	341	567	445	122
HCA3	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford Castle	728	1234	945	289
HCA4	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford Castle	369	580	506	74

POLLING PLACE

Polling	Polling Place	Comments	
District			
HCA1	Hertford Library – SG14 1DR	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.	
HCA2	The Brace Room, St Marys Church – SG14 2LD	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.	
		Concerns over safeguarding, narrow footpaths, poor lighting and parking.	
HCA3	Morgans Primary School – SG13 8DR	Proposed to change to HCC Offices	
HCA4	Hornsmill Community Centre – SG13 8HS	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.	

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW - CONSULTATION

HCA3 - Morgans Primary School.

Morgans Primary School has asked to not be used as a polling station. Electors have previously stated that the footpaths are narrow, poor lighting and parking.

County Hall was used for the recent Hertford Town Council By Election the venue and the venue and site received positive feedback from the electorate so current proposal is to use Hertfordshire Count Hall as a replacement venue for HCA3.

HERTFORD SELE

The map of the Hertford Sele ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 5 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling District	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number of Properties	Total Number of Electors	In Person Voters	Postal Voters
HSE1	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford Sele Ward	741	1126	918	208
HSE2	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford Sele Ward	358	704	548	156
HSE3	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford Sele Ward	615	964	818	146
HSE4	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford Sele Ward	889	1326	1175	151
HSE5	Hertford & Stortford	Hertford St Andrews	Hertford Sele Ward	231	423	368	55

POLLING PLACE

Polling District	Polling Place	Comments	
		The school no longer wish to be used as a polling station, issues with parking,	
HSE1	The Sele School – SG14 2DG	safeguarding and access.	
HSE2	St Josephs RC School – SG14 2BY	Schools would prefer NOT to be used.	
HSE3	Sele Farm Community Centre	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.	
HSE4	Sele Farm Community Centre	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.	
		The school no longer wish to be used as a polling station, issues with parking,	
HSE5	The Sele School	safeguarding and access.	

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW - CONSULTATION

HSE1 & HSE5 - Sele School (The Hub).

School venue ideally would prefer not to be used. Feedback from electors is that there is poor parking, lighting and access.

Alternative venue suggestion is Carlton Court, SG14 2EG.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venue in the HSE1 & HSE5 polling district.

Potential to use 'SeleCommunity Hub' Fleming Crescent SG14 – Venue is owned by Network Homes proposal is to approach to look at viability as an alternative site.

HSE2 - St Joseph's RC School.

School venue ideally would prefer not to be used.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venue in the HSE2 polling district.

WARE TRINITY

The map of Ware Trinity ward and individual polling districts are available on the following pages. The ward has 4 polling districts. Details of the reference letters and electorate information are set out below:

POLLING DISTIRCTS AND STATISTICAL DATA

Polling	Parliamentary Area	County Division	Parish Council	Number	Total	In Person	Postal
District				of	Number of	Voters	Voters
				Properties	Electors		
WTR1	Hertford & Stortford	Ware South	Ware Widbury	687	1288	1009	279
WTR2	Hertford & Stortford	Ware North	Ware Trinity	910	1731	1481	250
WTR3	Hertford & Stortford	Ware North	Ware Trinity	783	1385	1145	240
WTR4	Hertford & Stortford	Sawbridgeworth	Wareside Parish, Urban Ward	17	25	23	2

POLLING PLACE

Polling	Polling Place	Comments	
District			
WTR1	Christ Church Hall	NO reported concerns. NO proposed changes.	
WTR2	Larkspur Academy	Ideally not to use a school, too small for a triple station	
WTR3	Larkspur Academy	Ideally not to use a school, too small for a triple station	
WTR4	Larkspur Academy	Ideally not to use a school, too small for a triple station	

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

There are no current proposed developments within the Ward that are forecast to impact on the allocation of Polling Districts and Places.

WTR2, WTR3 & WTR4 - Larkspur Academy

School venue ideally would prefer not to be used.

Proposal consideration from Cllr Nick Cox

Alternative venue

• Ware Youth FC, Trinity Playing Fields, Fanhams Hall Road, Ware SG12 7NN.

The consultation document therefore seeks alternative suggestions for suitable venue in the WTR2, WTR3 & WTR4 polling district.