## **CONSULTATION RESPONSES RECEIVED BY POST & EMAIL**

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Mark Davies	ARO Lancaster & Wyre	Thank you for sending me your consultation document for the review of polling districts and polling places for Wyre Council for 2024/2025. I am happy with the proposal for the polling stations for the Lancaster and Wyre Constituency to remain as they are.
Cllr Dulcie Atkins	Borough Councillor, Garstang ward	I have no problems with the Polling Stations in Garstang, Cabus and Nateby. All are central, and easy for disabled.
Cllr Andrea Kay	Borough Councillor, Pheasant's Wood ward	Thornton House Assisted Living, Whimbrel Drive, Thornton Cleveleys, FY5 2LR. This is a Lancashire County council property. They have a day centre attached to their building. I have used the room previously for a community meeting and could be an alternative building for a polling station for the residents of Pheasant Wood area. There is a small car park and Mayfield Avenue for parking if required.
Andrew Snowden MP	Member of Parliament for the Fylde Constituency	My only comment regarding your polling district review would be a request that you consider renaming your polling districts to correspond with their Wyre Borough ward, as is done in most other Lancashire authorities. For example, Tithebarn's polling districts would become something like "TBA" and "TBB" rather than "WJA" and "WJB". I hope this a minor common sense tweak you would be amenable to considering.
Cat Smith MP	Member of Parliament for the Lancaster & Wyre Constituency	WSB (Claughton Village Hall): With the recent growth in housing in the Catterall area, I believe that there is a strong case for dividing the WSB Polling District in two to enable the residents of that Polling District who live in Catterall to vote closer to where they live. I believe there is a strong case for doing this as further housing has been approved for construction in this area, and locations here have been highlighted for potential development as part of the Wyre Local Plan Review process. A Polling Station could potentially be located at the small retail park built as part of the new housing development, off Westfield Road.
		WUA1 (Cabus Village Hall): The WUA1 Polling District covers the Parish of Cabus, which primarily covers a rural population to the north of Garstang. Included within this, is the part of Garstang which sits within Cabus Parish. I believe there is a strong case for splitting this Polling District to enable the residents in Garstang within Cabus Parish (north of Green Lane) to vote at a location closer to where they live. There is a precedent for this as the small part of Nateby Parish which is within the Garstang area votes at the Kepple Lane Scout Hut. I believe that the case for splitting WUA1 is particularly strong owing to the more elderly population of the residents living within this part of Cabus Parish, and that the residents do view themselves as living in Garstang. While the obvious place for this new potential Polling District to vote would be the Kepple Lane Scout Hut, if there is insufficient capacity for the entire town to vote there then potential Polling Station locations could include at Wyre Vale Park or Garstang Community Primary School – both more proximate than Cabus Village Hall. WZB (Forton Playing Field Pavilion): Again, owing to the construction of new housing, I believe there is a strong case for the WZB Polling District to be split. For residents living on the Forton side of the A6, around School Lane, the Playing Field Pavilion is an accessible Polling Station, but for residents living around Hollins Lane I believe a separate Polling Station would be optimal – especially in light of the population growth due to new housing. A potential location for this Polling Station could be the Hollins Lane Church.
		WUA1, WUC1 & WUC2: While I appreciate that this is outside the specific scope of this Review, I would like to put on my record my support for a Community Governance Review of the boundaries of Nateby Parish, owing to the odd boundaries on the western side of Garstang which has implications for the boundaries of the Polling Districts here. For example, all of the properties on Canterbury Way sit within WUB except for No. 2 and 12 which are in WUC2. There is a similar situation which Derby Road where the majority of the properties are within WUB while No. 4 is in WUC2. A similar situation can be found with Pennine Gardens, where the low numbered properties are in WUB and the high numbered properties are in WUB. As I mentioned, I appreciate that these strange Polling District boundaries exist due to the Parish boundaries, but I do believe it would be best practice for them to be tidied up to remove the oddities which exist in this specific part of Garstang.
Cllrs Roger Berry, Simon Bridge, Steve Nichols	Borough Councillors, Hardhorn with Highcross ward	We are concerned that there is no mention of a polling station for Normoss which is part of our ward. Up to the time of the Police and Crime Commissioner election in May there has been a polling place there for many years ie a portable cabin which was placed for any election on the grassed part of the crescent shaped lay by on Normoss Road close to Seniors. For some reason which was not fully explained we were told that for safety reasons the cabin could no longer be placed there. I complained at the time but was told it would be fully explained and looked into at this review. We do feel that there should be a polling station in Normoss which is a distinct community with a substantial number of residents many of whom particularly older and infirm persons will find it difficult to get to Baines School to vote given that it is some distance away and sections of the road are uphill.
		The obvious choice for the polling station is the one which was used for many years i.e. the portable cabin on the grassed area off the lay by. If this cannot be used then a portable cabin placed on either the frontage to the shops or in the car park of the Newton Arms pub opposite. Obviously consents would have to be obtained but we feel that it is worthwhile in the interests of democracy to consider every possibility.
Edwina Parry	Garstang Town Council	The Town Council met on Monday evening, 18/11/24 and resolved the following:

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	Teal Close Day Centre is at the rear of Thornton House with its' own entrance. Visit conducted and this is the new proposal for the Pheasant's Wood ward.
	These comments have been noted and this is something we will do in the near future.
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• Residents in that northern end of WKA would have to travel up to 1.1 miles to the polling station at Heys Street.
• In the last decade Hawley Gardens has been built and two new developments either side of Hawley along Bourne Road are being built.
The proposal to make no changes to the Bourne Ward is not supported for the following reasons:
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	Labour Party	We have a specific concern that the review has not considered reintroducing a polling station at Normoss. For those without access to a car, Baines School is not a short or easy walk. It is at least a mile, over a significant hill. This presents particular challenges for the elderly or disabled people, but is inconvenient for everyone.
		In the most recent election, our tellers noted few voters from WH3 attending Baines, and it seems that the removal of the previous polling station arrangement may have effectively disenfranchised some voters in this area.
		We believe that all electors should have easy access to the opportunity to vote. With less than a quarter of voters in WH3 having postal votes, a more convenient option should at least have been considered. The mobile unit worked well for decades and would provide such an option.
Mrs Irene Finch	Resident	I live in the polling ward of Hardhorn with Highcross in a area known as Normoss and object to the polling station which has been situated at 104 Normoss Road being changed to Baines School. There has always been one and only station in Normoss as long as I have lived here which is over 50 years. The polling station was first in Avenue Road and until 2023 at the above address. It was very accessible to the many voters in this distinct community. The one proposed at Baines School is well over a mile away uphill on a busy road with mostly only a footpath on one side. I am elderly don't use computers and like to vote in person. I feel the polling station should remain in the Normoss area as there are lots of older people like myself living in this area. If they had known about this change before now I fell lots more people would object about the taking away of our voting
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Lorraine Beavers MP	Blackpool North &	1. Mount Ward
	Fleetwood Constituency	I support the proposal to move the WAC polling station from a mobile unit to the Three Lights.
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John Finch	Resident	I was a student at Baines school in 1980's. It was a long way, over a mile from Normoss so it is not what I would call having accessibility. After a working day I might be put off going to vote or taking others in the family. We had a polling station in Normoss for as long as I can remember. Please have it returned.

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