REPORT TO: CITY COUNCIL - 12TH MARCH 2001

REPORT ON: PARLIAMENTARY POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

REPORT NO: 113-2001

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report outlines the findings of a recent review of Polling Districts and Polling Stations as required from time to time by the Representation of the People Act 1983.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The amendments to the boundaries of polling districts WBE and WBR be approved;
- 2.2. The premises listed in the attached appendix be designated as polling places for the polling districts listed.
- 2.3 The changes take effect from 19th March, 2001.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 None.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The polling places included are more centrally situated than the previous polling places used which is to the benefit of all electors. There are no barriers within the premises for electors with disabilities.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

- 6.1 A review of polling arrangements has been carried out.
- 6.2 Elected members were consulted as part of the review process and where possible their recommendations are included in this report.
- 6.3 The last review was in December 1998 as part of the overall review of boundaries which resulted in major changes to polling districts and the resultant inclusion of new polling places. Having regard to the short time since the last review relatively few changes are necessary this time.
- 6.4 Concern was raised regarding polling district EAT in Balgillo Ward. This related to electors in the new developments in West Grange Road and Panmurefield Village having to travel over 2 miles to vote at Broughty Ferry Lawn Tennis Club in Elcho Drive.
- 6.5 The small number of electors involved (182) makes it impractical to allocate a separate polling station for those electors and therefore it is recommended that these electors continue to vote at Broughty Ferry Lawn Tennis Club.
- 6.6 A further concern was raised regarding electors in polling district EAE of Claverhouse Ward regarding electors in Claverhouse Braes having to travel to Foula Terrace to vote.

- 6.7 Mill of Mains Primary is the closest polling station for these electors. However this is used for electors in the Dalclaverhouse Area (polling district WAU) which is in the Dundee West Constituency whereas Claverhouse Braes is in Dundee East, the boundary being Barns of Claverhouse Road.
- 6.8 Here again the number of electors involved (203) makes it impractical to allocate a separate polling place for these electors at Mill of Mains. It is also not practical for the existing polling station to be used for both constituencies as this may result in elector confusion and the possibility of electors being given wrong ballot papers resulting in electors in Dundee East voting for candidates in Dundee West or vice versa. It is therefore recommended that these electors continue to vote at Foula Terrace.
- 6.9 Whilst both of these situations are far from ideal it should be noted that changes to regulations governing postal votes can alleviate this problem in that the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 2001 introduced postal voting on demand and therefore any elector within either of these areas or indeed any other area in the city who would wish to vote by post or appoint a proxy can do so by making an application by the due date, being the sixth day before the day of the poll.
- 6.10 Concern has also been expressed regarding the situation of polling places in Ward 21 which has resulted in a large number of electors voting at the relatively small St. Peters Free Church Hall. Similarly Blackness Library has 4 polling stations from 2 wards which has resulted in some confusion amongst electors.
- 6.11 To obviate these problems it is recommended that the boundary between polling districts WBE and WBR be realigned as detailed on the attached map (Appendix 1). Electors would vote at the following polling places:-

WBC - High School of Dundee WBD - Park Place Primary WBE - Dundee West Church Hall, Perth Road WBR - St. Peter's Free Church Hall, St. Peter Street

- 6.12 The Kirk Session of Logie & St John Cross Parish Church have agreed that it can be used as a polling station for electors in polling district WBF of Ward 22 and therefore Blackness Library is no longer required..
- 6.13 Lawton Road Sheltered Housing Complex serves as a polling station for electors in Wards 20 and 27. This has led to some elector confusion.
- 6.14 To obviate this, electors in polling district WBB of Ward 20, should vote at St. David's North Church Hall, Wetherby Place, which is closer to those electors than the current polling place as detailed on the attached map (Appendix 2).
- 6.15 Major refurbishment over the last 3 years to the Ardler Complex resulted in St Fergus Primary being used. However, access to the school is problematic and accordingly it is now proposed that Ardler Complex be designated for electors in polling district WAO (Ardler Ward).
- 6.16 The proprietors of all of the above premises have confirmed that they have no objections to them being used as polling places.
- 6.17 Details of all polling places are appended (Appendix 3).

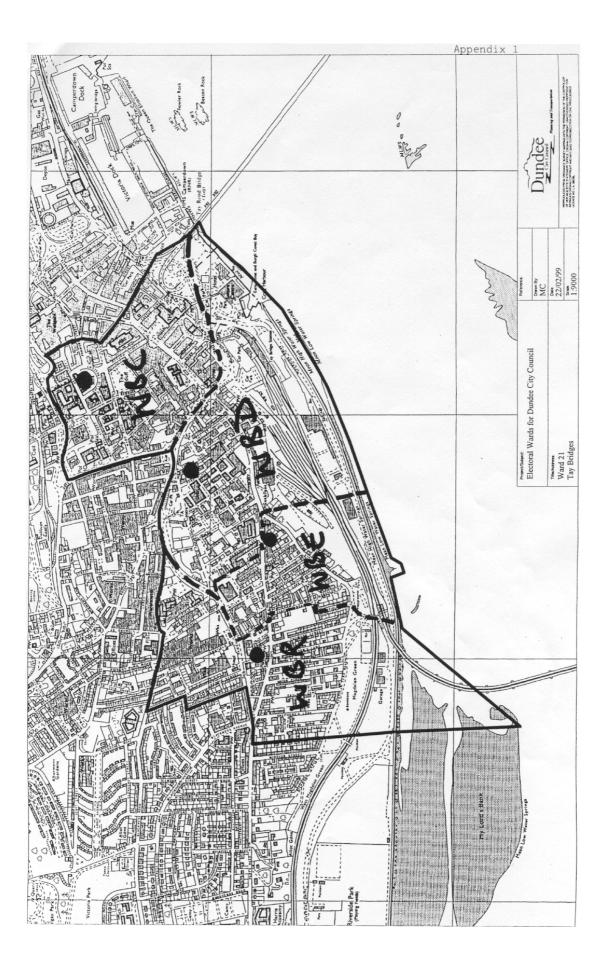
7.0 CONSULTATIONS

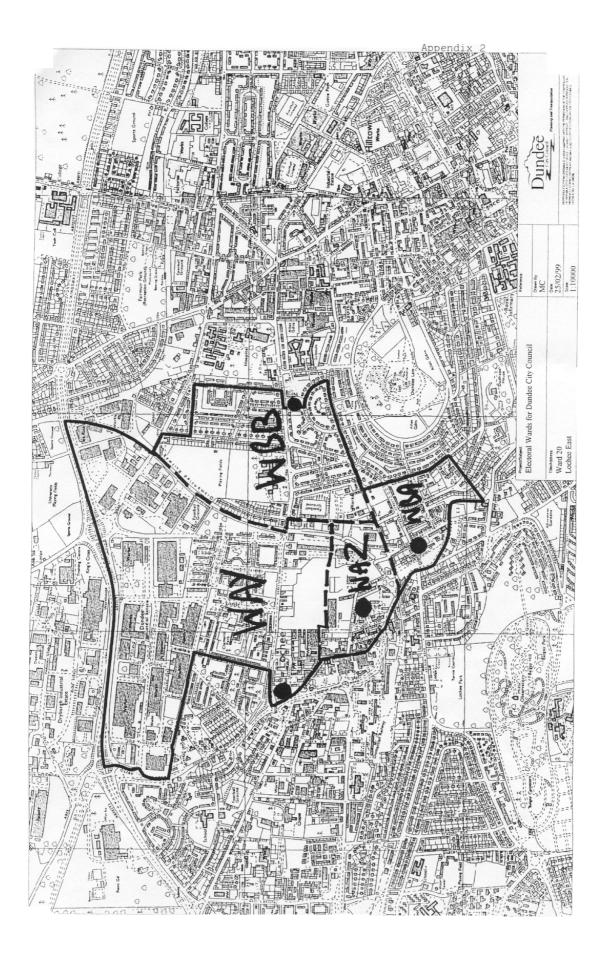
7.1 All elected members have been consulted.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 Representation of the People Act 1983.

Signature Date





DUNDEE EAST CONSTITUENCY

DEFAULT POLLING STATIONS

| Register | Polling Station |
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| EAA | Foula Terrace Sheltered Housing Communal Lounge, Foula Terrace, Dundee |
| EAB | Fintry Primary School, Finavon Terrace, Dundee |
| EAC | Ormiston Peoples Co-op Lounge, 1 The Square, Ormiston Crescent, Dundee |
| EAD | Whitfield Primary School, Whitfield Drive, Dundee |
| EAE | Summerfield Gardens Sheltered Housing Communal Lounge, 67 Summerfield Gardens, Dundee |
| EAF | Newfields Primary School, (Formerly Kellyfield Primary), Maybole Place, Dundee |
| EAG | Ormiston Peoples Co-op Lounge, 1 The Square, Ormiston Crescent, Dundee |
| EAH | St Luke's & St Matthews, Primary School, Longhaugh Road, Dundee |
| EAI | Longhaugh Primary School, Longhaugh Road, Dundee |
| EAJ | Happyhillock Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 54A Happyhillock Road, Dundee |
| EAK | Mossgiel Primary School, Ballochmyle Drive, Dundee |
| EAL | Brooksbank Neighbourhood Centre, Pitairlie Road, Dundee |
| EAM | Happyhillock Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 54A Happyhillock Road, Dundee |
| EAN | Area Social Work Office, Balmerino Road, Dundee |
| EAO | Powrie Primary School, Baluniefield Road, Dundee |
| EAP | Area Social Work Office, Balmerino Road, Dundee |
| EAQ | St Margaret's Church Hall, 17A Dalhousie Road, Broughty Ferry, Dundee |
| EAR | Barnhill Primary School, Falkland Crescent, Broughty Ferry, Dundee |
| EAS | Newfields Primary School, (Formerly Kellyfield Primary), Maybole Place, Dundee |
| EAT | Broughty Ferry Lawn Tennis Club, Elcho Drive, Broughty Ferry, Dundee |
| EAU | Forthill Primary School, (Assembly Hall) Fintry Place, Broughty Ferry, Dundee |
| EAV | Eastern Primary School, Whinnybrae, Broughty Ferry, Dundee |
| EAW | St Aidans Church Hall, St Vincent Street, Broughty Ferry, Dundee |
| EAX | Grove Academy (Enter Via Claypotts Road), Broughty Ferry, Dundee |
| EAY | Craigiebarns Primary School, Brington Road, Dundee |
| EAZ | Grove Academy (Enter Via Claypotts Road), Broughty Ferry, Dundee |
| EBA | St Pius Prirmary School, Banchory Road, Dundee |
| EBB | Forthill Primary School, (Assembly Hall) Fintry Place, Broughty Ferry, Dundee |
| EBC | Craigiebank Church Hall, Carlochie Place, Dundee |
| EBD | Craigiebarns Primary School, Brington Road, Dundee |
| EBE | Cullen Place Sheltered Housing Communal Lounge, 26/30 Huntly Road, Dundee |
| EBF | Glebelands Primary School, Baffin Street, Dundee |
| EBG | Wellgate Day Centre, Ladywell Avenue, Dundee |
| EBH | Arthurstone Terrace Library, Arthurstone Terrace, Dundee |
| EBI | The TA Centre, Block 4, Oliver Barracks, Dalkeith Road, Dundee |
| EBJ | St Salvador's Church Hall, Carnegie Street, Dundee |
| EBK | Our Lady's Primary School, Nelson Street, Dundee |
| EBL | Moncur Crescent Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 14 Hastings Place, Dundee |
| EBM | Dundee College, Melrose Terrace, Dundee |
| EBN | Dykehead Place Sheltered Housing Communal Lounge, 57 Dykehead Place, |
| | Dundee |
| EBO | Dundee College, Graham Street, Dundee |
| EBP | Fleming Gardens Communal Lounge, Hindmarsh Avenue, Dundee |
| EBQ | Frances Wright Pre-School, Caird Avenue, Dundee |
| EBR | Forthill Sheltered Housing Complex, Communal Lounge, 3A Forthill Drive, Broughty |
| | Ferry, Dundee |
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| Register | Polling Station | |
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| EBS | Powrie Primary School, Baluniefield Road, Dundee | |
| EBT | Douglas Primary School, Balmoral Place, Dundee | |
| EBU | Fintry Primary School, Finavon Terace, Dundee | |
| EBV | Cullen Place Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 26/30 Huntly Road, Dundee | |
| EBW | Dundee College, Graham Street, Dundee | |
| EBX | Dens Road Primary School, Isla Street North, Dundee | |
| EBY | Arthurstone Terrace Library, Arthurstone Terrace, Dundee | |
| EBZ | Barnhill Community Association Centre, Campfield Square, Broughty Ferry, Dundee | |
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DUNDEE WEST CONSTITUENCY

DEFAULT POLLING STATIONS

| Register | Polling Station |
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| WAA | Gowriehill Primary School, Etive Gardens, Dundee |
| WAB | Clyde Place Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 52 Tummel Place, Dundee |
| WAC | Charleston Primary School, Dunholm Place, Dundee |
| WAD | St Clement's Primary School, Balgarthno Place, Dundee |
| WAE | Tullideph Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 40 Tullideph Place, Dundee |
| WAF | Morven Terrace Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 1B Morven Terrace, |
| | Dundee |
| WAG | Hillside Primary School, Assembly Hall, Dalrymple Street, Dundee |
| WAH | St Ninian's Primary School, Dochart Terrace, Dundee |
| WAI | Dryburgh Resource Centre, (Formerly Dryburgh Primary), Napier Drive, Dundee |
| WAJ | Mitchell Street Continuing Education Centre, Mitchell Street, Dundee |
| WAK | Kirk Street Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, Adamson Court, Dundee |
| WAL | Harris Academy, Perth Road, Dundee |
| WAM | Margaret Blackwood Court, Communal Lounge, Glamis Road, Dundee |
| WAN | Brackens Primary School, Laird Street, Dundee |
| WAO | Ardler Complex, Turnberry Avenue, Dundee |
| WAP | St Margaret's Primary School, Lauderdale Avenue, Dundee |
| WAQ | Strathmartine Church Hall, Strathmartine Road, Dundee |
| WAR | Baldragon Academy, (Formerly Kirkton High), Burn Street, Dundee |
| WAS | Sidlaw View Primary School, (Formerly West March), Helmsdale Place, Dundee |
| WAT | Kirkton Neighbourhood Centre, Derwent Avenue, Dundee |
| WAU | Mill O' Mains Primary School, Barns of Claverhouse Road, Dundee |
| WAV | Kirkton Neighbourhood Centre, Derwent Avenue, Dundee |
| WAW | Downfield Primary School, School Road, Dundee |
| WAX | Downfield Primary School, School Road, Dundee |
| WAY | Lochee West Church Hall, Nicoll's Lane, Dundee |
| WAZ | Burnside Court Sheltered Housing Communal Lounge, Burnside Court, |
| | Whorterbank, Dundee |
| WBA | Cobden Street Sheltered, Housing Communal Lounge, Cobden Street, Dundee |
| WBB | St David's North Church Hall, Wetherby Place, Dundee |
| WBC | High (Boys') School, Euclid Crescent, Dundee |
| WBD | Park Place Primary School, Park Place, Dundee |
| WBE | Dundee West Church Hall, Perth Road, Dundee |
| WBF | Logie & St John's (Cross), Parish Church Hall, Shaftesbury Terrace, Dundee |
| WBG | Logie/Scott Street Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 33 Lime Street, Dundee |
| WBH | Hill Street Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 51 Hill Street, Dundee |
| WBI | Law Nursery School, Campbell Street Entrance, Dundee |
| WBJ | Mitchell Street Continuing Education Centre, Mitchell Street, Dundee |
| WBK | The Central Library, Wellgate, Dundee |
| WBL | Rosebank Primary School, Gym Hall, McDonald Street Entrance, Dundee |
| WBM | Lawton Road Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 11 Lawton Road, Dundee |
| WBN | Hill Street Sheltered Housing, Communal Lounge, 51 Hill Street, Dundee |
| WBO | Alva Square Communal Lounge, 10 Alva Square, (Enter from Ogilvies Road, off |
| | Constitution |
| WBP | Sidlaw View Primary School, (Formerly West March), Helmsdale Place, Dundee |
| WBQ | Alva Square Communal Lounge, 10 Alva Square, (Enter from Ogilvies Road, off |
| | Constitution |
| WBR | St Peter's Free Church Hall, 4 St Peter Street, Dundee |
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