

# FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

**Date:** Tuesday, 11 October 2022

**Venue:** Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

**PRESENT:**

**Councillor** Mrs P M Bryant (Chairman)

**Councillor** Ms F Burgess (Vice-Chairman)

**Councillors:** I Bastable, Mrs S M Bayford, S Dugan, D J Hamilton,  
Mrs P Hayre, S Ingram, Ms S Pankhurst, Mrs K K Trott,  
Mrs S M Walker and Mrs K Mandry (deputising for M J Ford, JP)

**Also  
Present:**



**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor M J Ford, JP.

**2. MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee held on 25 July 2022 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman announced that a new map of the proposed constituencies in England will be published on 08 November by the Boundary Commission for England, giving members of the public a final chance to have their say on proposals for new constituencies in their area.

From 08 November, members of the public will be able to view and comment on new suggested constituency boundaries. This third and final consultation will last four weeks, ending on 05 December, and will be the last opportunity for the public to have a say on the new map of constituencies in England.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

**5. DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

**6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY REVIEW - CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS FOR FAREHAM**

The Committee considered a report and received a presentation by the Head of Democratic Services which invited members to review the Boundary Commission's draft recommendations for new ward boundaries across the Borough of Fareham and to provide wording to be incorporated within the Council's response to the public consultation. A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes as Appendix A.

Members discussed the changes that the Boundary Commission has made to the Council's proposals and expressed concern that some of the changes, which appear to be so that ward boundaries are more linear, are at odds with the Commission's expressed desire to ensure that community identities are protected. Members were able to put forward several examples where residents have complained that established communities will be affected, and it was agreed that residents should be encouraged to register their concerns direct to the Commission as part of the consultation process.

Having agreed the need to ensure that the new ward boundaries protect community identities, members were encouraged to provide any wording that

would strengthen this view to the Head of Democratic Service for inclusion in the Council's final response to the consultation.

RESOLVED that having reviewed the Boundary Commission's draft recommendations for new ward boundaries across the Borough of Fareham, the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee:

- (a) agrees that, as detailed above, any wording provided by members be incorporated within the Council's draft consultation response;
- (b) delegates authority to the Head of Democratic Services to create the draft consultation response reflecting the Committee's views and those of the Member Working group; and
- (c) agrees that the working draft of the consultation response be presented to Council at its meeting on 27 October 2022, prior to it being submitted to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on 15 November 2022.

## **7. LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Environmental Health which provided an opportunity for members to review the Work Programme for 2022/23

RESOLVED that the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee:

- (a) notes the progress on actions arising from the meeting of the Committee held on 25 July 2022, as shown in Appendix A to the report; and
- (b) agrees the updated Work Programme for 2022/23, as attached at Appendix B to the report.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm  
and ended at 6.40 pm).



# Local Government Boundary Review

## Licensing & Regulatory Affairs Committee

11 October 2022

Part Two – Proposals Consultation

Leigh Usher  
Annette Rickman

# Target electorate per ward

Determine electoral variances by ward

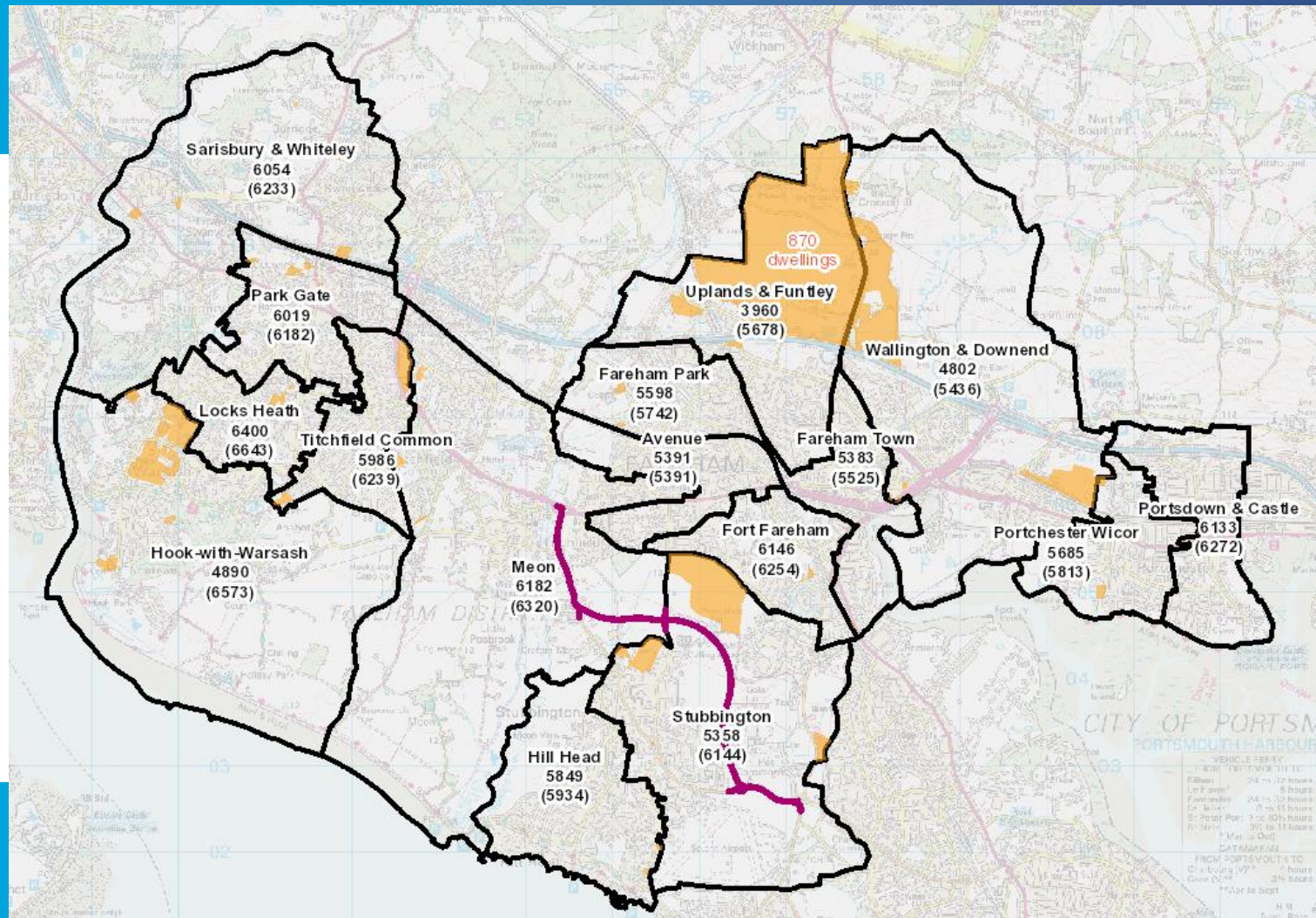
Total Electorate Forecast = 97,790

Recommended no. wards = 16

Average elector per ward = 6,112

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	Based on forecast electorate
10% fewer electors	5,500
Perfect Electoral equality per ward	6,112
10% more electors	6,723



# Forecast and Ward Names

Warding Pattern Submission

to

The  
Local Government  
Boundary Commission  
for England

11 July 2022

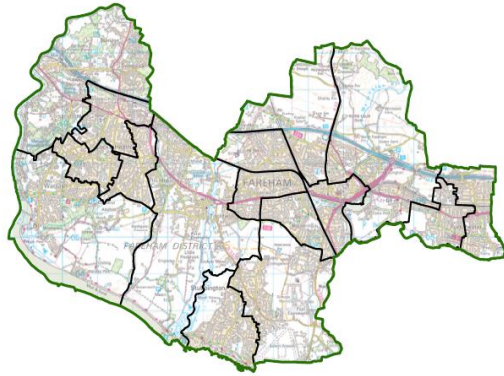
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Ward Name	No. of Cllrs per ward	2027 Forecast Total
Avenue (prev. Fareham West)	2	5704
Fareham Park (prev. Fareham North West)	2	5785
Fareham Town (prev. Fareham East)	2	5568
Fort Fareham (prev. Fareham South)	2	6297
Hill Head	2	5977
Hook-with-Warsash (prev. Warsash)	2	6616
Locks Heath	2	6686
Meon (prev. Titchfield)	2	6363
Park Gate	2	6225
Portchester Wicor (prev. Portchester West)	2	5856
Portsdown & Castle (prev. Portchester East/West)	2	6315
Sarisbury & Whiteley (prev. Sarisbury)	2	6276
Stubbington	2	6187
Titchfield Common	2	6282
Uplands & Funtley (prev. Fareham North)	2	5721
Wallington & Downend (prev. Fareham East)	2	5932
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>97790</b>



# Commission Proposals

The  
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**New electoral arrangements for  
Fareham Borough Council  
Draft Recommendations**

September 2022

## Ward boundaries consultation

30 We received 64 submissions in response to our consultation on ward boundaries. These included a borough-wide scheme from the Council. The remainder of the submissions provided localised comments for warding arrangements in particular areas of the borough.

31 The borough-wide scheme provided for a uniform pattern of two-councillor wards for Fareham. We carefully considered the proposals received and were of the view that the proposed patterns of wards resulted in good levels of electoral equality in most areas of the authority and generally used identifiable boundaries.

33 Our draft recommendations are therefore based predominantly on the Council's proposals. We have nonetheless also taken into account local evidence that we received, which provided further evidence of community links and locally recognised boundaries. In some areas, we considered that the proposals did not provide the best balance between our statutory criteria, so we identified alternative boundaries.

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# GIS viewer

## [Democratic Services \(fareham.gov.uk\)](http://fareham.gov.uk)

Ward Name	No. of Cllrs per ward	2027 Forecast Total	LGBCE Proposal	Variance from average
Avenue	2	5704	6314	3%
Fareham Park	2	5785	6063	-1%
Fareham Town	2	5568	5709	-7%
Fort Fareham	2	6297	5831	-5%
Hill Head	2	5977	6229	2%
Hook-with-Warsash	2	6616	6602	8%
Locks Heath	2	6686	6398	5%
Meon	2	6363	5472	-10%
Park Gate	2	6225	6642	9%
Portchester Wicor	2	5856	6176	1%
Portsdown & Castle	2	6315	6452	6%
Sarisbury & Whiteley	2	6276	6324	3%
Stubbington	2	6187	5664	-7%
Titchfield Common	2	6282	6385	4%
Uplands & Funtley	2	5721	5657	-7%
Wallington & Downend	2	5932	5872	-4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>97790</b>	<b>97790</b>	

# LG BCE Consultation

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Local Government Boundary Commission for England  
Consultation Portal ([lgbce.org.uk](http://lgbce.org.uk))

# What's next

- Report - What is the Council's response to the Boundary Commission's proposals?

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MWG – 7 September

LRA committee - 11 October

- Council - 27 October (report published 19 October)
- Consultation ends 15 November

# Review Timeline

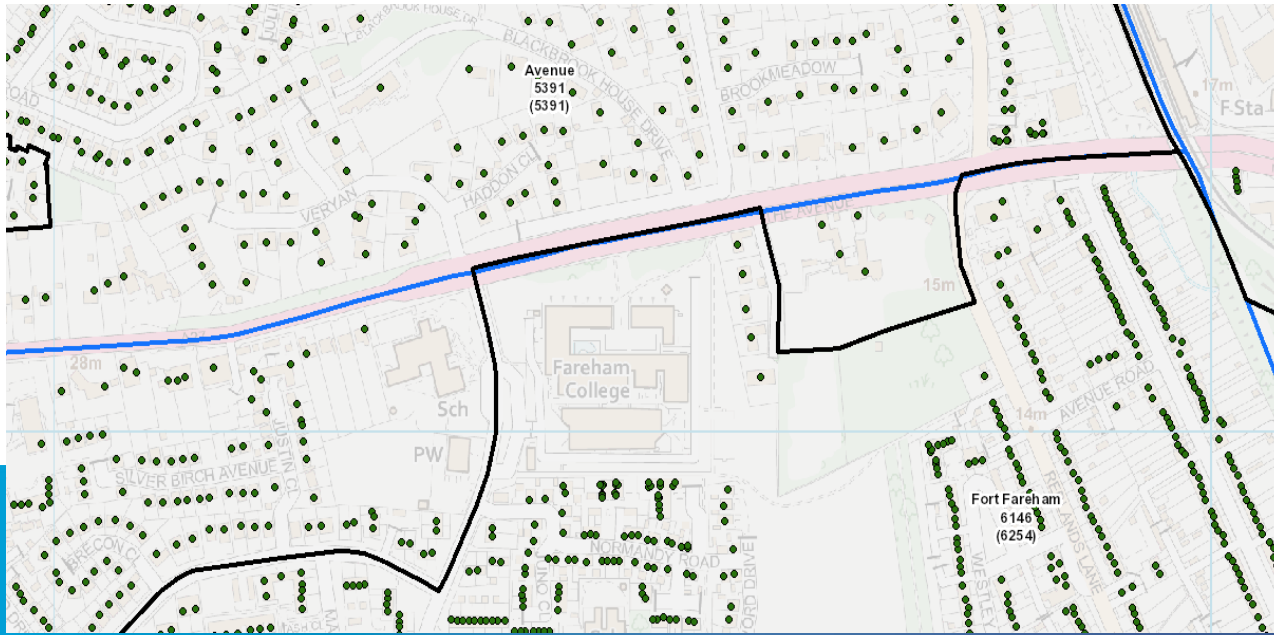
Stage of Review	Description
25 January 2022 - 11 July 2022	Public consultation on warding arrangements
6 September 2022- 15 November 2022	Public consultation on draft recommendations
February 2023	Publication of final recommendations
May 2024	Subject to parliamentary approval - implementation of new arrangements at local elections

# Task for the LRA Committee

- Provide general comments and views on the Commission's proposals for inclusion in the Council's response;
- Provide specific wording supporting the points raised by the MWG (paras 10 and 11); and
- Consider recommendations.

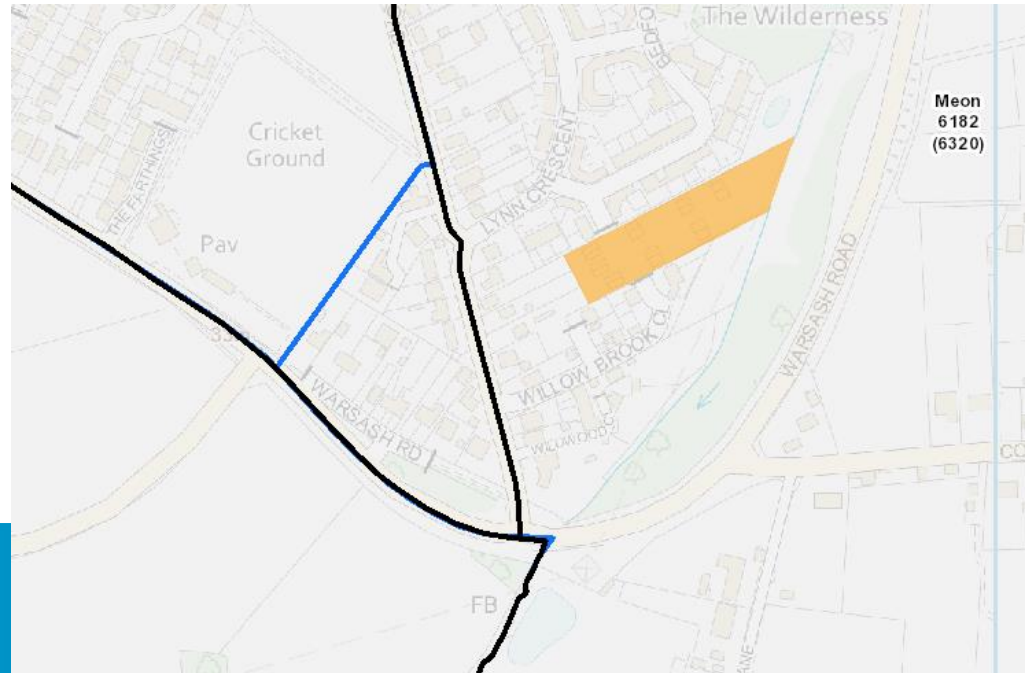
# Points to challenge

- Straight lines v actual community boundaries
  - We carefully avoided splitting any roads down the middle eg:



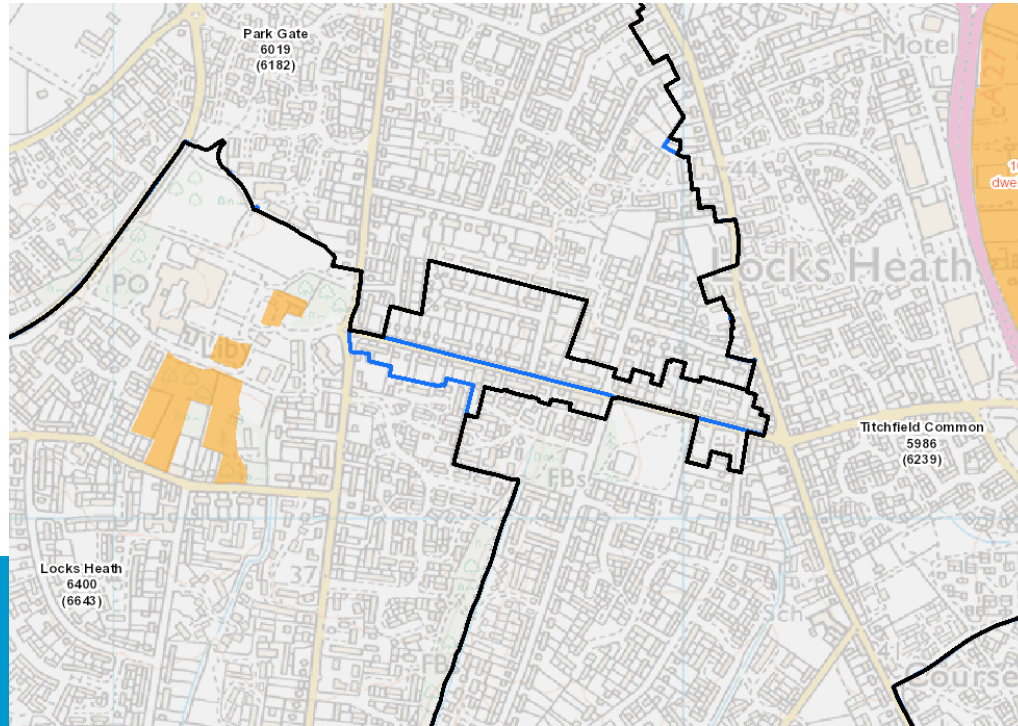
# Warsash Road/Hunts Pond Road triangle postal address is Titchfield Common but Commission puts it in Meon ward

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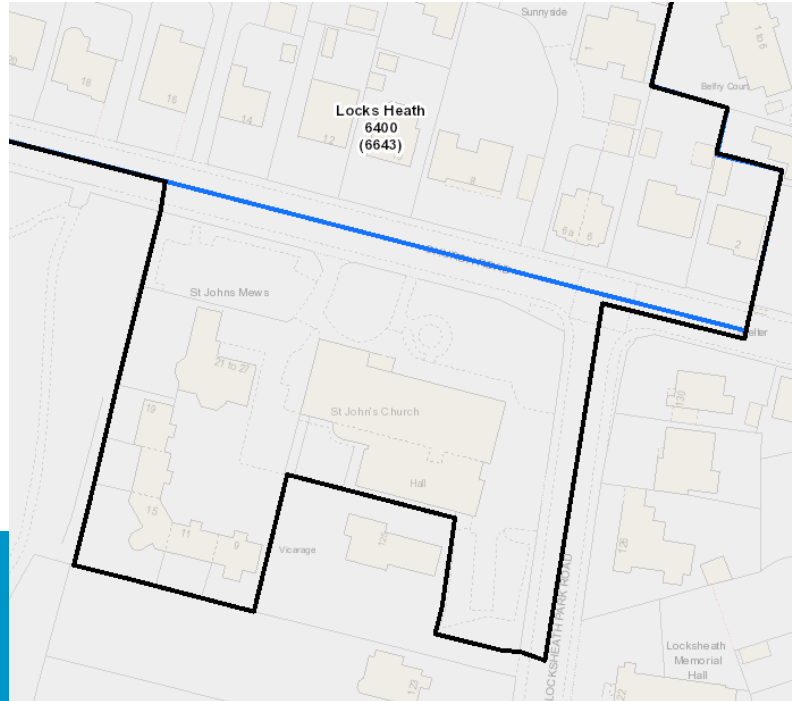




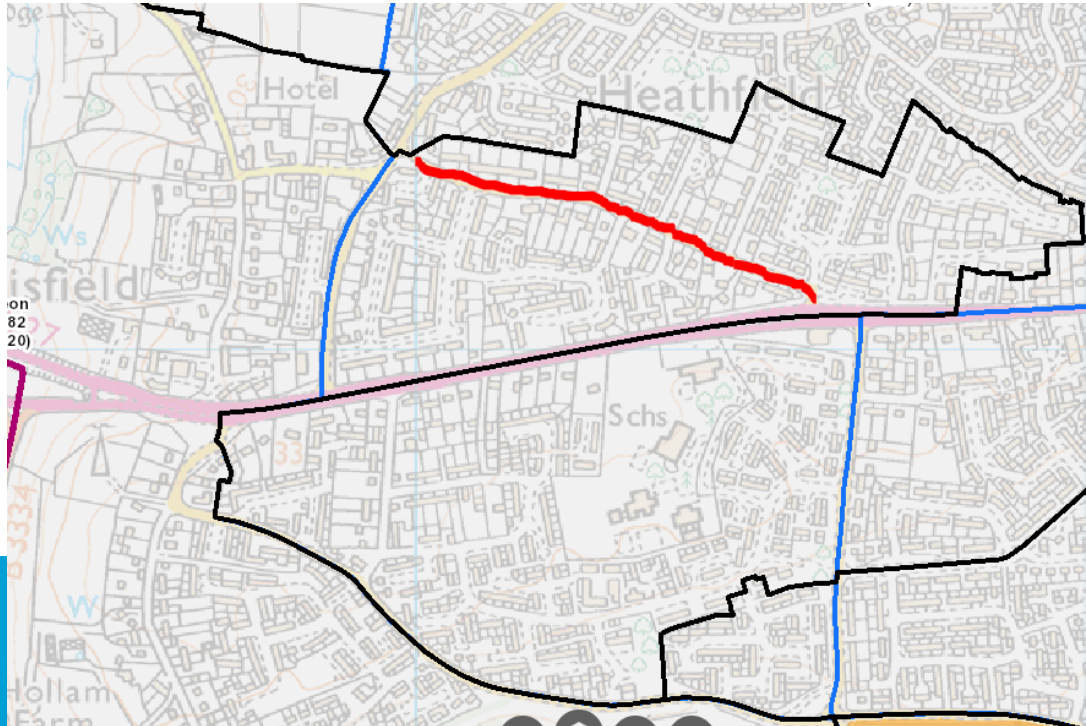
# Church Road split down the middle – north in Park Gate, south in Titchfield Common – we had it in Locks Heath



# St Johns Church included in Titchfield Common ward but it is the church for Locks Heath

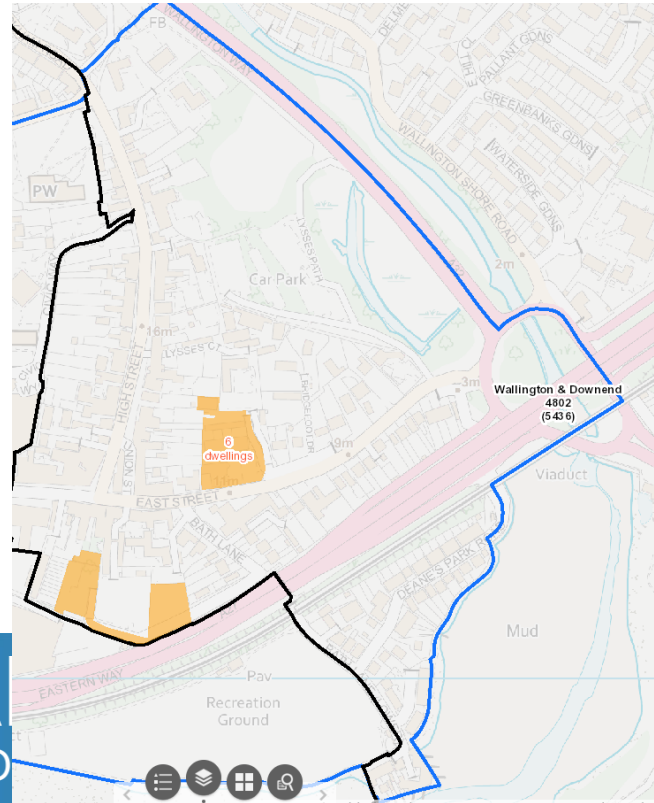


Catisfield Road should all be part of Meon ward: Forecast numbers don't need to be -10%!

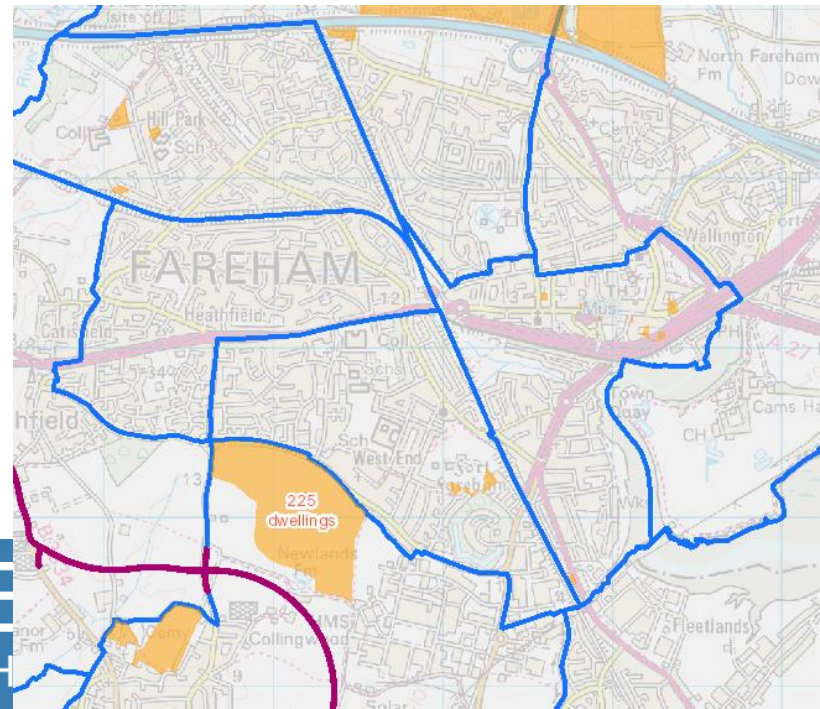
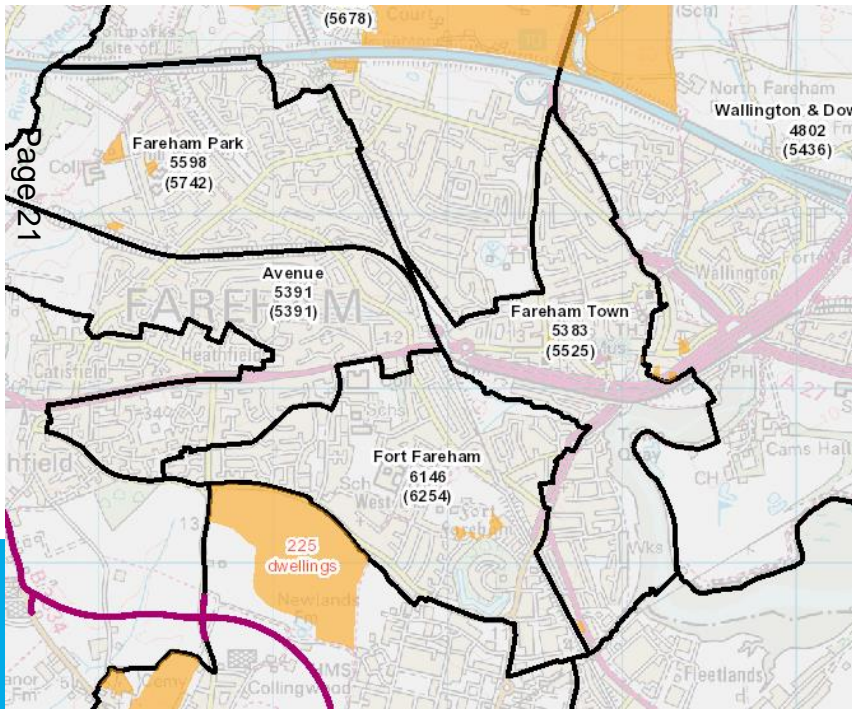


# Deanes Park Road put into Fareham Town but should remain in Wallington & Downend

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# Significant changes in central Fareham area results in knock on effects to ward electorate numbers:



Any Questions?