Clerk's Report to Haigh Parish Council 14 March 2022

LG Boundary Commission Proposals for Wigan Council's Ward Boundaries – Consultation Response

I have submitted a response to the consultation on the proposals for Wigan Council's ward boundaries, as agreed. The Commission have replied that they are expecting that they will publish their final recommendations on 3 May 2022. They will let us know when that has happened. They will add our comments to their website when they publish their recommendations.

Publication of the final recommendations marks the end of the review and they will not, therefore, be able to make any changes to the final recommendations. Those final recommendations will be presented to both houses of Parliament. The Parliamentary process allows for the final recommendations to be accepted in full or rejected in full. Acceptance means that the final recommendations will be put into effect at council elections; rejection means that no changes will be made to existing ward boundaries, names or councillor numbers as a result of this review. The final recommendations cannot be modified by Parliament.

Budget & Precept 2022/23

Both the precept request and the text for the Council Tax letter have been submitted to Wigan Council.

Haigh Named as One of the 'Poshest' Villages in the UK

Savills (the estate agents) have recently named Haigh as one of the 54 smartest rural locations in the UK. It has been selected because of its striking architecture, which includes Haigh Hall, and its vast woodland park. It was the only village in Greater Manchester to make it onto the elite list.

Ideas for Future Projects

We have received one suggestion for a future project from a resident. It is attached.

Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan Document - Notification of submission

Strategic Planning at Wigan Council have written to notify the Parish Council on behalf of Bolton Council, Bury Council, Manchester City Council, Oldham Council, Rochdale Council, Salford City Council, Tameside Council, Trafford Council, and Wigan Council of the submission of the Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan Document.

In accordance with the requirements of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 the following documents have been submitted by GMCA on behalf of the nine districts in electronic form:

- Publication Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan Document Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford, and Wigan
- Sustainability Appraisal Reports
- Policies Map
- A Regulation 20 Consultation Statement: this includes details of the number of representations made under regulation 20 and the main issues raised in those representations.
- Copies of the representations made in accordance with regulation 20.
- Supporting documents as in the opinion of the local planning authority are relevant to the preparation of the local plan
- Duty to Co-operate Statement and Log of Collaboration

Appendix A

• Statement of Common Ground

The Notice of Submission which explains the procedure for the next stage of the plan, including where the documents are available for inspection electronically, is attached.

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