

2021 Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places – Representations Log

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A. Lambeth

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
Cllr Jackie Meldrum	30/11/21	Borough Wide	I suggest the design of Low Traffic Neighbourhoods (LTN) are taken into account when locating polling stations. Most polling stations are on main roads but sometimes the parking is not. The longer round route drive for those who drive, and particularly in bad weather, may well reduce cab turnout.	

1. Brixton Acre Lane Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
Cllr Martin Tiedemann	19/11/21	BAL 4 – Sudbourne Primary School	Sudbourne Primary School. As I raised in a previous review, I had been assured that the Civic Centre would be considered once built. I am disappointed this is not the case. However, there are locations such as the Corpus Christi Church Hall that can be used without impacting on that school.	Sudbourne Primary School has served as a polling station within the current Brixton Hill ward for many years. Repeated representations have been made against using the school, including during this review. Further research identified that the hall at Corpus Christi Church can accommodate a double polling station. This location is therefore recommended as a double station for BAL4.

2. Brixton North Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
MP Helen Hayes	30/11/21	BNT1 – Stockwell Primary School BNT2 – Stockwell Primary School	It is proposed that the polling station for BNT1 and BNT2 should be Stockwell Primary School, BNT3 should be served by the premises at 336 Brixton Road, BNT4 by St John’s Angell Town Primary School and BNT5 by The Grove Adventure Playground.	Consideration was given to use Grove Adventure Playground instead of Loughborough Primary as there is a long history of voting at Loughborough Primary and residents are used to voting there. The draft scheme also identified

		<p>BNT3 – We are 336</p> <p>BNT4 – St John’s Angell Town C.E. Primary School</p> <p>BNT5 – Grove Adventure Playground</p>	<p>I make no comment on the proposals for BNT1, BNT2 and BNT3 which are not in my constituency. I strongly support the use of St John’s Angell Town as the polling station for BNT4.</p> <p>I believe that consideration should be given to moving the polling station for BNT5 from The Grove Adventure Playground to Loughborough Primary School. There is a long history of Loughborough Primary School being used as a polling station and the majority of local residents in the new BNT5 polling district are used to voting there. For residents coming from the south of BNT5, Loughborough Primary School is significantly more visible than The Grove Adventure Playground, being located on a main road and a bus route.</p>	<p>Marcus Lipton Youth Centre as an alternative option for this polling district. Further assessment of both venues concluded that Marcus Lipton Youth Centre would be more advantageous on accessibility grounds.</p>
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3. Brixton Rush Common Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
Cllr Martin Tiedemann	19/11/21	BRC5 – Holmewood Nursery	BRC5 Holmewood Nursery. I recognise this is the harder location to replace but it has the potentially greatest impact. The nursery is also facing severe financial pressures and a day off given their funding model without recompense has an impact. Roupell Park Community Hall by Hyperion House is worth considering. It might be possible to use Christ Church itself (not the school) or Brixton Hill URC church.	<p>Suggestions were taken into consideration. Roupell Park Community Hall, Christ Church, and Brixton Hill URC were reviewed as potential alternatives.</p> <p>This polling district has been revised as a result of changes to BRC4 polling district, with final recommended boundaries as shown in the map of the scheme report. Roupell Park Community Centre will serve as the new polling place.</p>

4. Brixton Windrush Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
MP Helen Hayes	30/11/21	BWR1 – Brixton Library BWR2 – Hill Mead Primary School BWR3 – Brixton Library	<p>It is proposed that Brixton Library should be the polling station for the BWR1 and BWR3 polling districts and that the BWR2 polling district is served by Hillmead School. I strongly support the designation of Hillmead School as the polling station for BWR2 and Brixton Library as the polling station for BWR3. However, I believe that BWR1 requires its own polling station and that consideration should be given to using Brixton Recreation Centre for this purpose.</p> <p>Although Brixton Library is located within the BWR1 polling district, it is some distance away from the majority of the residential population in that polling district, and the other side of both the railway line and Coldharbour Lane. Prevailing commuter patterns in the Brixton area are northwards into central London via the tube station.</p> <p>Locating the polling station for the majority of BWR1 residents to the south of Brixton tube station will suppress turnout for residents who commute via the tube station. I strongly urge the Council to open Brixton Rec as a polling station for BWR1, which could be done with minimal cost or impact on the operation of the Rec.</p>	<p>The suitability and location of Brixton Library were further investigated and found to be within 10 minutes or less walking distance for all residents in BWR1. Given that polling stations are open from 7am to 10pm on polling day, the Council could not find evidence that voter turnout would decrease by designating a polling place south of Brixton tube station.</p> <p>In addition, estimated commuter patterns do not form part of the statutory criteria used in the review.</p> <p>Brixton Library is recommended as the polling place for BWR1 polling district only.</p>
Cllr Scarlett O'Hara	07/11/21	BWR1 – Brixton Library BWR2 – Hill Mead Primary School BWR3 – Brixton Library	<p>I recommend that there is a polling station in:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brixton Library — a prominent and convenient location for the area around Rushcroft Rd, Electric Avenue, Electric Lane, Vining St and part of Coldharbour Lane near Brixton Road, Saltun Rd 2. Dexters/Big Kid Foundation on Railton Rd — good location for Railton Rd, Montego Rd, Marcus Garvey Way, Bob Marley Way, Leeson Rd and the Brixton end of Mayall Rd. 3. Hill Mead Primary — familiar location to residents on Moorlands Estate and near the Guinness Estate/Electric Quarter and Loughborough Park. 	<p>All suggestions were taken into consideration and investigated.</p> <p>Many were found not suitable in terms of location, however Dexters Adventure Playground was deemed suitable and a large enough venue to accommodate future population growth by becoming a double station if needed in the future.</p>

			<p>4. Brixton Community Base on Talma Rd — near to Talma Rd, Jelf Rd, Rattray Rd, Probert Rd, Bankton Rd, Dalberg Rd and Kellett Rd.</p> <p>5. Karibu Centre on Gresham Rd — good for Gresham Rd and Canterbury Crescent and Canterbury Estate.</p>	
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5. Clapham Common & Abbeville Ward

No representations have been made for this ward.

6. Clapham East Ward

No representations have been made for this ward.

7. Clapham Park Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
Cllr Martin Tiedemann	19/11/21	CPK2 – Richard Atkins Primary School	<u>Cllr Martin Tiedemann</u> I make the following submission to the review of polling stations.	All suggestions were taken into consideration. All Saints Church and Clapham Park Cube were reviewed as potential alternatives.
Cllr Adrian Garden		CPK3 – Richard Atkins Primary School	I would like to once again object to the use of primary schools and nurseries as polling stations where there are adequate alternatives. In every case in my current ward the whole school has been closed for the day causing inconvenience for parents but, more seriously, safeguarding concerns. On most polling days when I have knocked on local doors I have encountered small children left home alone. Although parents must take responsibility, they are left in an impossible position if unable to take time off work or afford childcare, especially when the nursery is closed. This particularly affects migrants, who are more likely to be in precarious low paid employment and less likely to have extended family support groups to take on unexpected childcare.	Richard Atkins Primary School was initially proposed as a double polling station for CPK2 and CPK3 polling districts. However, upon investigation, Clapham Park Cube was deemed suitable as a double polling station and recommended to serve CPK2 & CPK3.
Cllr Edward Davie				

			<p>Regarding specific proposals:</p> <p>CPK2 and CPK3 Richard Atkins school, which has a high proportion of migrant children and children from a deprived background. This is a few metres from All Saints Church on Lyham Road which has a hall. If it is the case that two polling districts are sharing this location and the church is too small for both, the Clapham Park Cube could also be a suitable location with the opportunity to reorganise CPK2 and 3 accordingly.</p> <p><u>Cllr Edward Davie</u> Agree – have had many complaints about the disruption using schools and nurseries causes, not least when we had a string of by-elections and other polls in Thornton. Especially important to minimise disruption to education as we try and catch children up after worst of Covid lockdowns etc.</p> <p>We have new Clapham Park Cube community centre which would make a better polling station than Glenbrook Primary to name one example.</p> <p><u>Cllr Adrian Garden</u> I fully support Cllr Tiedemann’s submission. If disturbing schools’ activities can possibly be avoided, all steps should be taken to achieve that</p>	
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8. Clapham Town Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
A Powers Resident	16/11/21	CTN3 - Macaulay C.E. Primary School	It would be good if my children's school was not always used as a polling station - there must be other venues (church halls etc) that can be used instead which won't disrupt children's valuable education.	The school will need to continue to be used as a polling station as we were unable to find an alternative when drafting the initial scheme. No alternatives have been put forward during consultation.

9. Gipsy Hill Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
MP Helen Hayes	30/11/21	GHL1 – Emmanuel Youth and Community Centre GHL2 – Kingswood Primary School (Upper Site) GHL3 – Berridge Road Estate Community Resource Centre	It is proposed that the polling station for GHL1 will be Emmanuel Youth and Community Centre, GHL2 should be served by the Berridge Road Estate Community Resource Centre, and GHL3 should be served by Paxton Primary School. I strongly support these proposals.	
West Norwood Forum	28/11/21	GHL1 – Emmanuel Youth and Community Centre GHL4 – Paxton Primary School	<p>The larger than Lambeth typical size of the ward, and the number, steepness and height of the hills from Gipsy Hill south to Crystal Palace, necessitates at least five polling stations in this ward.</p> <p>We welcome the inclusion of the Emmanuel Youth and Community Centre instead of Elm Wood Primary School. We do hope that Christchurch Gipsy Hill, Highland Road, SE19 will be used again instead of Paxton Primary School; it is not clear why this change in polling station was made.</p> <p>The Central Hill Estate is located towards the centre of the ward in a populous area. Of the two new venues in this area being investigated, we favour the Community Youth Hub over the Day Centre (because of location), and in addition to, not instead of, Christchurch Gipsy Hill.</p> <p>This will enable five polling stations to be provided across the ward, with redrawn polling districts. We trust that this will enable the review to achieve the 10 minutes walking distance target. Our</p>	<p>It should be noted that the new Gipsy Hill ward is a two-member ward with a relatively low electorate. A large section in the south-west of the ward is occupied by Norwood Park, with the remainder covering a significantly smaller geographical area than neighbouring and nearby new wards, including Knight's Hill, West Dulwich, Streatham St Leonard's and Streatham Common and Vale wards.</p> <p>It is acknowledged that features such as hills should be considered when selecting polling places. This forms part of the Electoral Commission's guidance and was taken into account when designating Gipsy Hill polling stations for the initial scheme, all of which were assessed as being within a suitable walking distance.</p>

			previously recommended venue of Upper Norwood Library Hub, 39 Westow Hill, SE19 1TQ should also be considered if the above spread of stations does not achieve the required short walking distance for all.	On the above basis, the Council did not find evidence to support five polling stations being needed for this ward in principle. However, it did look at all the suggested alternative venues, most of which were either unable or in unable locations within the polling districts.
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10. Herne Hill & Loughborough Junction Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
MP Helen Hayes	30/11/21	HHL1 – St Matthew’s Church Hall HHL2 – St Saviour’s Church Hall HHL3 – Jessop Primary School HHL4 - St Jude’s Primary C.E. School	<p>It is proposed that the polling station for HHL1 should be St Matthew’s Church Lilford Road, that HHL2 should be served by St Saviour’s Church Hall, HHL3 should be served by Jessop Primary School and HHL4 should be served by St Jude’s Primary School.</p> <p>I strongly support these proposals which reflect the historic location of polling stations in this part of the borough, with a high level of familiarity and accessibility for local residents.</p>	
D Blair Resident	12/11/21	HHL4 - St Jude’s Primary C.E. School	<p>Good afternoon,</p> <p>Hope all are well at LES.</p> <p>The commission review and consultation proposals all seem very considered and will help to even out the polling stations electors and balance up the Ward share of councillors/electorate. I couldn’t work out where the proposed areas were on the Polling District Review 2021 map, but thought the map was lovely.</p> <p>Working at a double polling station, at the busiest times, we are flat out, (as are most others) though controlled, and smoothly run due to the PC’s commitment and training. At St Jude’s the location is well suited to purpose and I haven’t anything to add</p>	The school will need to continue to be used as a polling station as we were unable to find an alternative when drafting the initial scheme. No alternatives have been put forward during consultation.

			<p>about location or alternative sites and to mind, no electors have made comment over the years. The possibility of using a pub was interesting and that a range of folk may object but surely the pub would be closed?</p> <p>Best wishes,</p> <p>D Blair</p>	
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11. Kennington Ward

No representations have been made for this ward.

12. Knight's Hill Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
MP Helen Hayes	30/11/21	<p>KNH1 – St Peter's Church Crypt</p> <p>KNH2 – West Norwood Health and Leisure Centre</p> <p>KNH3 – West Norwood Fire Station</p> <p>KNH4 – Crown Lane Primary School</p> <p>KNH5 - St Luke's C.E. Primary School</p>	<p>It is proposed that the polling station for KNH1 should be in the crypt of St Peter's Church, KNH2 should be served by West Norwood Health and Leisure Centre, KNH3 should be served by West Norwood Fire Station, KNH4 by Crown Lane Primary School and KNH5 by St Luke's Primary School.</p> <p>I strongly support all of these proposals with the exception of the proposal to designate the West Norwood Health and Leisure Centre as the polling station for KNH2. The majority of residents in the new KNH2 polling district have a long history of voting at St Luke's Church which is located at the junction of two main roads in the heart of West Norwood town centre. The Leisure Centre is located down a cul-de-sac, and it is not such a prominent or well-known location as the church. I strongly urge the Council to continue to use St Luke's Church as the polling station for KNH2.</p>	<p>It is agreed that an additional polling district and polling place should be added to the ward, taking the total to six. This was on the basis of excessive walking distances from the north-eastern part of the initially proposed KNH1 polling district to St Peter's Church Crypt.</p> <p>We updated the KNH2 polling district, taking in the north-east section of the ward and with electors voting at West Norwood Health & Leisure Centre. St Luke's Church is retained as a polling station within an updated KNH3 polling district, with boundaries pushed further south.</p>

<p>Cllr Jackie Meldrum</p>	<p>30/11/21</p>	<p>KNH1 – St Peter’s Church Crypt</p> <p>KNH2 – West Norwood Health and Leisure Centre</p> <p>KNH3 – West Norwood Fire Station</p> <p>KNH4 – Crown Lane Primary School</p> <p>KNH5 - St Luke’s C.E. Primary School</p>	<p>For KNH2 please do not move the polling station from St Luke’s church to the WNHLIC. This would be a big change for voters. St Luke’s church is a highly visible venue and has car parking. The WNHLIC is hidden away off Devane Way. The main walking routes are through Hainthorpe estate and not well signposted.</p> <p>Would it also be possible to move the border of St Julian’s Farm Rd to south of the houses so that both sides of the section LCR-Thurlestone Rd is in KNH1? It’s easier if a whole street is in one Polling District. 3 PDs is very confusing.</p> <p>Is there a small section of Truslove Rd not in KNH4? Can the boundary of KNH2 and KNH5 be shifted south to Ernest Ave & Waring St? There are very low numbers of voters affected.</p> <p>The older people in Joe Hunte Ct would prefer to vote next door at the Fire Station in KNH3 rather than walk all the way to Crown Lane KNH4.</p>	<p>It is agreed that an additional polling district and polling place should be added to the ward, taking the total to six. This was on the basis of excessive walking distances from the north-eastern part of the initially proposed KNH1 polling district to St Peter’s Church Crypt.</p> <p>We updated the KNH2 polling district, taking in the north-east section of the ward and with electors voting at West Norwood Health & Leisure Centre. St Luke’s Church is retained as a polling station within an updated KNH3 polling district, with boundaries pushed further south. Most district boundaries have been amended.</p>
<p>West Norwood Forum</p>	<p>28/11/21</p>	<p>KNH1 – St Peter’s Church Crypt</p> <p>KNH2 – West Norwood Health and Leisure Centre</p> <p>KNH3 – West Norwood Fire Station</p> <p>KNH4 – Crown Lane Primary School</p> <p>KNH5 - St Luke’s C.E. Primary School</p>	<p>A key steer from the Forum was and is for polling stations to be no more than 10 minutes away from home for all electors, to be at prominent locations, on public transport routes (and provide cycle parking facilities). It is welcomed that the recommendations do aim “to provide a polling station within 10 minutes walking distance for voters as far as possible”, although some detailed comments do seem to show that polling districts have been drawn before determining suitable polling stations. We continue to urge the Council to identify polling stations within 10 minutes walking distance for all and then draw the polling districts.</p> <p>The Forum asked that school premises not be used where alternative places were available, because of the disruption to education. The review states that this principle has been used, but a number of schools are still recommended for use in our area and elsewhere – presumably because alternatives have not been identified. We are re-recommending again a number of alternatives to schools for our area.</p>	<p>All suggestions for alternative venues were taken into consideration.</p> <p>West Norwood Forum suggested a minimum of eight polling places should be allocated for this ward, based on its geography.</p> <p>Whilst features such as hills and other geographical barriers are taken into consideration when selecting polling places, this would not necessarily require a significant increase in the overall number provided. In this instance, allocating eight or nine polling places to Knight’s Hill ward is not in keeping with the rest of the borough or the general review principles and therefore not considered appropriate.</p>

			<p><u>Knights Hill Ward</u></p> <p>The geographical spread of the proposed polling stations needs to be greatly improved and the numbers increased, as is recognised in the report. We recommended 10 new venues in this ward for consideration; many, but not all, are mentioned and rejected in the report (reasons are not given).</p> <p>Furthermore, the larger than Lambeth typical size of the ward, and the number, steepness and height of the hills climbing south and west to Crown Point and Leigham Court Road, requires at least eight polling stations in this ward. If the opportunity is taken to not operate any double stations, this will enable eight or nine (see below) stations to be provided across the ward.</p> <p>We recommend that the following are either considered or reconsidered in order to provide the necessary geographical spread and reduce journey times to the target level:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The South London Theatre, The Old Fire Station, 2A Norwood High Street, SE27 9NS (the nearby West Norwood Library & Picturehouse (Community Room) would be an alternative) • Cheviot Gardens Community Room, Cheviot Road, SE27 0LN (or Trinity Baptist Church, 2 Thornlaw Road, SE27 0SA) • Chapel House Day Nursery, 48 Chapel Road, Norwood, London SE27 0UR • Worldwide Mission Fellowship Church, 61-65 Elder Road SE27 9NB • Macintosh Court, 269 Leigham Court Road SW16 2SB (or if this station is not suitable, use St. Julians School, Leigham Court Road (which is still due to be used as a single polling station for Streatham Wells Ward)) 	<p>It is also noted that several of the alternative venues suggested by West Norwood Forum are clustered closely to each other. This required the most suitable venues to be selected to the exclusion of others as detailed below. It is agreed an additional polling district and polling place should be added to the ward, taking the total to six. This is due to excessive walking distances from the north-eastern part of the initially proposed KNH1 polling district to St Peter's Church Crypt.</p> <p>The final recommended boundaries create an updated KNH2 polling district, taking in the north-east section of the ward, with those electors voting at West Norwood Health & Leisure Centre.</p>
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			<p>The inclusion of these polling stations, and the retention of the recommended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. Peter's Church Crypt, Leigham Court Road (as a single station) • West Norwood Health and Leisure Centre (or remain at St. Luke's Church Lower Hall (where the accommodation has recently been improved)) • West Norwood Fire Station, Knights Hill <p>should enable ending the use of St. Luke's Primary School (double station), and possibly Crown Dale Primary School. With an extensive redrawing of the polling districts, a reduction in walking times to 10 minutes maximum should be achieved. If this proves not to be the case, we suggest the number of polling stations will need to be increased to nine and Crown Dale Primary School retained as no other suitable venue has been located in this area.</p>	
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13. Myatt's Fields Ward

No representations have been made for this ward.

14. Oval Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
P Mawdsley Resident	21/11/21	OVL3 – Ashmole Primary School OVL4 – Ashmole Primary School	<p>I am writing in response to the proposed arrangement of polling districts and polling stations in the new Oval ward, and in particular the polling station arrangements for the new OVL4 polling district. I have no objection to the proposed boundaries of the polling districts.</p> <p>Under the draft proposals, OVL4 does not have a polling station within its boundaries and voters will instead be asked to vote at the Ashmole Primary School, which is in the far north corner of the adjacent OVL3 district, quite a considerable distance from the OVL4 district. This polling station location is inconvenient for the voters in the OVL4 district and I am concerned it will reduce their participation in the electoral process. I would ask that you consider the following alternatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using the Bolney Meadow Community Hall as a polling station for OVL4. This location has been used for many previous elections, but is not mentioned at all as having been considered in the latest review. • If some reason the Bolney Meadow hall is no longer available, using the OVL2 polling station in the South Lambeth Tate Library as a joint polling station for the OVL4 polling district. The South Lambeth Library polling station is on the border of the OVL4 district and is closer to almost every property in the OVL4 than the Ashmole School polling station. The attached map shows two circles of the same size centred on two polling stations showing clearly how the Library is a better choice of polling station. <p>I hope you will take these two alternative suggestions into consideration as I firmly believe they will improve participation in elections by the voters in the OVL4 district.</p>	<p>Bolney Meadow is to be proposed and used as the polling station for OVL4 in order to lessen the burden on Ashmole Primary, making it a double station, and give electors within the southern side of Oval Ward a more accessible polling station.</p> <p>The use of Ashmole Primary School as a polling station for OVL3 is still required as there are no other suitable alternatives.</p>

<p>S Bewley Resident</p>	<p>29/11/21</p>	<p>OVL4 – Ashmole Primary School</p>	<p>I've read the consultation on polling stations in the new Oval ward and <u>object to the polling station proposal</u> for the OVL4 district.</p> <p>The stated <i>“purpose is to create polling districts for the 25 new wards and to assign a suitable polling place for each polling district”</i>. Given this, it is bizarre that no good reason (indeed no reason at all) was given for the new district not to have a polling station within its boundaries. Going to the Ashmole Primary School to vote risks disenfranchising many voters, given it is some considerable distance from the OVL4 district. Why make 'mega' triple polling stations for some districts, and single polling stations for others?</p> <p>Given <i>“the suitability of polling stations [is] to be assessed”</i> why wouldn't you continue with the Bolney Meadow Hall? It has been a proven, excellent, accessible polling station for many elections, located right in the densely populated centre of the district and serving the requisite number (between 1000 to 2500 electors). Alternatively, what would be wrong with sharing the South Lambeth Library as the OVL4 polling station, given the large space, and that it is being used for OVL2? It is also nearer for virtually every tenant and resident in OVL4 district than Ashmole school albeit voters have to cross a main thoroughfare. Or even sharing the SWL3 Mursell Estate Tenants' Hall polling station (or their sharing Bolney) for the same reasons?</p>	<p>Bolney Meadow is to be proposed and used as the polling station for OVL4 in order to lessen the burden on Ashmole Primary, making it a double station, and give electors within the southern side of Oval Ward a more accessible polling station.</p> <p>The use of Ashmole Primary School as a polling station for OVL3 is still required as there are no other suitable alternatives.</p>
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<p>B Leapman</p>	<p>28/11/21</p>	<p>OVL2 – Tate South Library</p> <p>OVL3 – Ashmole Primary School</p> <p>OVL4 – Ashmole Primary School</p>	<p>I am writing to object to the proposed location of the polling station for the OVL4 polling district, as outlined in your document “London Borough of Lambeth - Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places - Scheme Proposal 2021”. I am a registered voter living at 13 Aldebert Terrace, London, SW8 1BH, which is within the OVL4 polling district. According to your website, the formal consultation ends on 30.11.21, so I am submitting my views within the correct period.</p> <p><u>Your criteria</u></p> <p>Among your stated criteria in deciding where to site polling stations are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “In the interests of continuity for voters, the Council aims to provide polling places which do not alter considerably between elections.” • “The review also aims to provide a polling station within 10 minutes walking distance for voters as far as possible.” <p>You also state that no polling station should be allocated more than 2,500 voters. However, some locations are proposed to have double or triple polling stations.</p> <p><u>Your proposal</u></p> <p>You propose that voters from OVL4 should vote at Ashmole Primary School, which is located in the OVL3 polling district and would also serve as their polling station. It would be a triple polling station because of the large number of OVL3 voters using it.</p> <p>You explain the choice of site for OVL4’s polling station by stating that “Ashmole Primary School is an existing polling station within</p>	<p>Bolney Meadow is to be proposed and used as the polling station for OVL4 in order to lessen the burden on Ashmole Primary, making it a double station, and give electors within the southern side of Oval Ward a more accessible polling station.</p> <p>The use of Ashmole Primary School as a polling station for OVL3 is still required as there are no other suitable alternatives.</p>
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		<p>the current Oval ward. No alternatives were considered as no other suitable venues could be identified in this part of the ward.”</p> <p><u>My objections</u></p> <p>According to Google Maps, Ashmole Primary School is 1,000 metres from my home and the walking time is 12 minutes. It would be in excess of 10 minutes’ walking time for most or all of the 2,000 voters of OVL4. However, this time estimate is for a fit person, and people who are elderly or disabled might take half an hour to walk that distance (including my elderly father, with whom I live). I believe this is an unfair distance to expect voters to walk, and I believe it would reduce turnout in this part of the ward, which is bad for democracy. It goes against your own criterion of a 10-minute limit on walking distance</p> <p>Previously voters in this part of the borough have voted at Bolney Meadow Community Centre on Bolney Street, and before that at St Stephen’s Primary School on Dorset Road. These are nowhere near Ashmole Primary School. Thus the selection of Ashmole Primary School also goes against your criterion of continuity for voters.</p> <p><u>My suggestions</u></p> <p>I propose that the council considers returning to the use of Bolney Meadow Community Centre or St Stephen’s Primary School, both of which are within OVL4, for use as the OVL4 polling station.</p> <p>If neither of these are available, I suggest the council looks again for alternative sites within OVL4.</p> <p>Should nowhere in OVL4 be available, I suggest the council sites the polling station for OVL4 at the Tate South Lambeth library. This building is already proposed to be used as a polling station for a part of Oval ward, the OVL2 polling district, so it would</p>	
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			<p>become a double polling station. Every voter in OVL4 lives closer to the Tate South Lambeth library than to Ashmole Primary School, and it is also a better-known landmark for residents in this part of the ward.</p> <p>Should this be impossible – say, due to size constraints at the library – then I would suggest putting the OVL4 polling station in Mursell Tenant’s Hall. This is not as well-known or as easily accessible as the Tate South Lambeth library, but it is nevertheless nearer for every voter in OVL4 than Ashmole Primary School. Mursell Tenant’s Hall is already proposed for use as a polling station in the SWL3 polling district of the neighbouring Stockwell West & Larkhall ward, so it would become a double polling station. I see that the council’s current set of proposals do include plans for some cross-ward polling station sites (such as Larkhall Primary School), so this shouldn’t be a reason to rule out the use of Mursell Tenant’s Hall.</p> <p>I hope this is of help and I look forward to seeing the outcome of the consultation.</p> <p>Yours sincerely,</p> <p>B Leapman</p>	
M Leopold	29/11/21	OVL4 – Ashmole Primary School	<p>I am writing in response to the consultation on polling stations in the new Oval ward. I object to the polling station proposal for the OVL4 district which will not have a polling station within its boundaries, with voters instead being forced to vote at Ashmole Primary School, a considerable distance from the OVL4 district.</p> <p>In an area with a poor voter turnout as it is, this feels unwise</p> <p>The Tate South Lambeth Library is already designated as a polling station for the adjacent OVL2 polling district. This polling station would be closer to almost every property in the OVL4</p>	<p>Bolney Meadow is to be proposed and used as the polling station for OVL4 in order to lessen the burden on Ashmole Primary, making it a double station, and give electors within the southern side of Oval Ward a more accessible polling station.</p> <p>The use of Ashmole Primary School as a polling station for OVL3 is still required as there are no other suitable alternatives.</p>

			<p>district than the proposed polling station at Ashmole school. I believe this will increase voter participation.</p> <p>A simple, but obvious change.</p> <p>Thank you for your attention to this matter</p>	
D Shak	29/11/21	OVL4 – Ashmole Primary School	<p>I am writing in response to the consultation on polling stations in the new Oval ward. I object to the polling station proposal for the OVL4 district which will not have a polling station within its boundaries, with voters instead voting at Ashmole Primary School, which is a considerable distance from the OVL4 district.</p> <p>I would like to suggest two alternative arrangements for the OVL4 district:</p> <p>a) Using the Bolney Meadow Community Centre as a polling station, as has been the case for the last few elections. The Consultation document states that “No alternatives were considered as no other suitable venues could be identified in this part of the ward.” This cannot be the case as Bolney Meadow Community Centre has been used as a polling station.</p> <p>b) If this isn't possible, using the South Lambeth Library as the OVL4 polling station - this is already designated as a polling station for the adjacent OVL2 polling district. This polling station would be closer to almost every property in the OVL4 district than the proposed polling station at Ashmole school.</p>	<p>Bolney Meadow is to be proposed and used as the polling station for OVL4 in order to lessen the burden on Ashmole Primary, making it a double station, and give electors within the southern side of Oval Ward a more accessible polling station.</p> <p>The use of Ashmole Primary School as a polling station for OVL3 is still required as there are no other suitable alternatives.</p>
M Leapman	28/11/21	OVL4 – Ashmole Primary School	<p>I live at the extreme southern end of the new Oval ward, the bit which was formerly in Stockwell ward. As an 83-year-old who walks with a stick, it would take me 20 minutes at least to walk to Ashmole Primary School. Tate Library or St. Stephen's Scl live at the extreme southern end of the new Oval ward, the bit which was formerly in Stockwell ward. As an 83-year-old who walks with a stick, it would take me 20 minutes at least to walk to Ashmole Primary School. Tate Library or St. Stephen's School would be much more convenient.</p>	<p>Bolney Meadow is to be proposed and used as the polling station for OVL4 in order to lessen the burden on Ashmole Primary, making it a double station, and give electors within the southern side of Oval Ward a more accessible polling station.</p> <p>The use of Ashmole Primary School as a polling station for OVL3 is still required as there are no other suitable alternatives.</p>

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
E Gibson	23/11/21	OVL4 – Ashmole Primary School	I am writing to ask why Bolney Meadow Community Centre is no longer being used as a polling station. Ashmole School is a fair distance from part of the ward.	<p>Bolney Meadow is to be proposed and used as the polling station for OVL4 in order to lessen the burden on Ashmole Primary, making it a double station, and give electors within the southern side of Oval Ward a more accessible polling station.</p> <p>The use of Ashmole Primary School as a polling station for OVL3 is still required as there are no other suitable alternatives.</p>
N Sanders	29/11/21	OVL4 – Ashmole Primary School	<p>I am horrified to learn that, as a resident of Aldebert Terrace, the new proposals would require me to get to Ashmole Primary School to vote. I am a strong believer in local democracy and a conscientious voter, but I am also in my late seventies and suffer from nerve problems in my legs which considerably impede my walking. I can comfortably get to the Bolney Meadows Hall which has been used in our recent elections, and I can get to the South Lambeth Library, but Ashmole Primary School is much too far for comfort and will be a massive disincentive to me in voting. As the South Lambeth Library is already proposed as a polling station, I am at a loss to understand why I should not be allowed to vote there.</p> <p>Please reconsider this potential damaging blow to local democracy.</p>	<p>Bolney Meadow is to be proposed and used as the polling station for OVL4 in order to lessen the burden on Ashmole Primary, making it a double station, and give electors within the southern side of Oval Ward a more accessible polling station.</p> <p>The use of Ashmole Primary School as a polling station for OVL3 is still required as there are no other suitable alternatives.</p>
V Aylmer	29/11/21	OVL4 – Ashmole Primary School	<p>I am worried to find that under these new proposals I will have to get all the way from Aldebert Terrace to Ashmole Primary School to vote. I really can't understand why I couldn't go to my local library (South Lambeth) which is already going to be a polling station for other people in the borough.</p> <p>Please reconsider this</p>	<p>Bolney Meadow is to be proposed and used as the polling station for OVL4 in order to lessen the burden on Ashmole Primary, making it a double station, and give electors within the southern side of Oval Ward a more accessible polling station.</p>

15. St Martin's Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
MP Helen Hayes	30/11/21	SMA2 – Deronda Hall SMA4 – The Salvation Army Church	<p>It is proposed that the polling station for the SMA1 polling district will be the St Martin's Community Centre, SMA2 will be served by the Deronda Hall, SMA3 will be served by the Tulse Hill Methodist Church and SMA4 by the Salvation Army Church Hall.</p> <p>I make no comment on the proposals for SMA1 and SMA3 which are not within the Dulwich and West Norwood constituency. I support the proposals for SMA2 and SMA4, however, it should be noted that the Deronda Hall is not highly visible within the wider SMA2 area, and the only vehicular access to it is off the busy main road of Tulse Hill. Consideration should therefore be given to the signage for this polling station, so that it is easy to find for local residents living in SMA2.</p>	It has been noted that Deronda Hall is not too visible and will need lots of signage in order for voters to locate this new polling place.
R Wright Resident	07/11/21	St Martin's Ward	<p>I am had a look through the proposed changes and the only points I can make are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The re-naming of the wards is helpful to clearly identify their location, though think 'Tulse Hill' would be better than 'St Martin's', as it is more recognised location. • Although the population of the wards vary, adjusting them to be broadly similar makes sense. • There maybe some movement of polling station ward allocations, which may affect numbers of those coming in. I cannot easily see what changes have been proposed to the locations on the maps. • I have no comments about the location of the ward boundaries. 	

West Norwood Forum	28/11/21	SMA4 – The Salvation Army Church	<u>St. Martin's Ward</u> We support the recommended locations as an excellent geographical spread has been achieved. We trust that this will enable the review to achieve the 10 minutes walking distance target. We are aware that the Salvation Army Hall (Norwood Road) has been shut for many months and assume that a guarantee has been obtained that the Hall will be available long term for future elections.	
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16. Stockwell East Ward

No representations have been made for this ward.

17. Stockwell West & Larkhall Ward

No representations have been made for this ward.

18. Streatham Common & Vale Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
T Rutland Resident	21/11/21	SCV1 – St Andrew's R.C. Primary School	<p>I am a resident in SUD polling district and wanted to express my support for continuing to use St Andrew's RC Primary School as the polling station for this district.</p> <p>It is easy to access from the entire area it services and there are few other options in this district. Retaining the same polling station will provide helpful continuity when this polling district moves from the old Streatham Wells ward into the new</p>	The school will need to continue to be used as a polling station as we were unable to find an alternative when drafting the initial scheme. No alternatives have been put forward during consultation.

			Streatham Common and Vale ward. This would minimise any confusion for voters and hopefully make it as easy as possible for them to cast their vote.	
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19. Streatham Hill East Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
A C James Resident	13/11/21	SHE1 – Streatham Wells Primary School SHE2 – St Margaret The Queen SHE3 – The Livity School SHE4 – Hitherfield Children’s Centre	<p>I have looked at the proposed polling stations for the Streatham Hill East wards and not that 3 out of the 4 are in schools.</p> <p>That means that a large number of children will lose a day's schooling for every local or national election + the effect of the massive inconvenience for their parents etc.</p> <p>Especially following the need to catch up after the last 2 years of Covid, we SHOULD NOT BE USING SCHOOLS.</p> <p>The reason given is, normally, that "no alternative & suitable location exists" which, frankly, is rubbish.</p> <p>There are church halls (one in Hillside, for example), community venues (Streatham Hill Theatre or the new Community building in Palace Road) or other venues (Darby & Joan Club or the Constitution Club in Leigham Court Road) all of which are very suitable for the minimal amount of use required on polling day.</p> <p>Lambeth Council SHOULD RECONSIDER IT'S USE OF AND STOP USING SCHOOLS for polling days.</p>	<p>Suggestions for alternative venues were taken into consideration. St Simon & St Jude’s Church, Streatham Hill Theatre, Palace Road Community Building, and Darby & Joan Club were reviewed as potential alternatives.</p> <p>However, the suggested alternatives either did not meet necessary criteria for polling places or were not specific enough to be investigated. St Simon & St Jude’s Church and Streatham Hill Theatre were not in a central location for either SHE1 or SHE2.</p> <p>The Darby and Joan Club/Woodlawns Centre on Leigham Court Road is in the neighbouring Streatham Wells ward and would therefore disadvantage voters.</p>

20. Streatham Hill West & Thornton Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
A Demetriou Resident	13/11/21	SWT1 – Henry Cavendish Primary School (Balham)	<p>I am shortly going to become a resident of the SWT1 polling district (living on Hydethorpe road.) I would like to express a view in favour of keeping Henry Cavendish Primary School (Balham) as the polling station for this part of the ward. My reasons for this are three-fold:</p> <p>1) First, as an existing polling station, it is known to locals in the area and therefore, keeping this as an existing station ensures familiarity and continuity; 2) It is in relatively easy reach of all the residents in SWT1 3) I have seen the venue - it is spacious enough to accommodate plenty of voters.</p> <p>I hope the above will be taken into consideration.</p>	

21. Streatham St Leonard's Ward

No representations have been made for this ward.

22. Streatham Wells Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
Cllr Malcolm Clark	11/11/21	SWE2 – Sunnyhill Primary School SWE3 – Sunnyhill Primary School SWE4 – Julian's Primary School	<p>My initial response to one specific part of the Streatham Wells ward boundaries and polling stations you have drawn up is one of shock, dismay and utter frustration at not being listened to when we had our initial pre-consultation discussion.</p> <p>I urge you to reconsider the polling location, and if necessary the boundaries, for SWE4.</p> <p>The new SWE4 polling station location fails one of your key tests/considerations - on distance and ease of access - and would potentially disenfranchise some of our most vulnerable and</p>	<p>Cllr Clark has proposed that we redraw the boundaries around SWE2, SWE3, SWE4 paying particular focus on the walking distance from Julian's Primary School from Valley Road Estate. These comments were acknowledged.</p> <p>Final recommendations therefore reallocate a significant part of the initially proposed SWE4 polling district to SWE2 and SWE3, with residents voting at</p>

			<p>least well off residents (on Valley Road Estate and Spa View sheltered housing).</p> <p>Valley Road Estate (and the neighbouring blocks of social housing on Curtis Field Road and South Oak Rd, and on Namba Roy Close too) comprise of several hundred households. Spa View sheltered housing on Wells Close has 30-odd residents and is also Council-run. Together this area forms a pocket of deprivation, and with many people suffering poor mental health and/or multiple co-morbidities.</p> <p>The Council should be doing all it can to make voting easier for parts of the community which already have greater barriers to participation ... not making it harder.</p> <p>The location of a polling station at Julian's make no sense for people from Valley Road Estate and surrounding area</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is no easy or quick walking or public transport route from the Valley Road Estate to Julian's Primary School. 2. It is a significant change for the worse compared to their current polling station of Sunnyhill School - a much shorter walk from anywhere on the Estate and a location they would anyway pass (or almost pass) when exiting the Estate and so not an inconvenience. <p>Physical barriers</p> <p>Unigate Woods and the lack of permeability between the Valley Rd Estate and Leigham Court Road is a major factor that does not seem to have been considered.</p> <p>In addition, the topography does not seem to have been considered. The only walking routes between Valley Road and Julian's School are either Wellfield Walk (a very steep and long path) or up two sets of hills (the slightly more gentle slope of Valley Rd, and the short sharp steep ascent up the first bit of Leigham Court Road to St Peter's Church).</p>	<p>Sunnyhill Primary School instead of Julian's Primary School.</p>
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			<p>Walking Distance</p> <p>The polling station is well beyond the “<i>within 10 minutes walking distance for voters</i>” that is stipulated as good practice and your guide to what you are trying to achieve.</p> <p>I have taken 3 actual addresses from different parts of the Valley Rd Estate, and used google maps to see the walking time - which is between 14-16 minutes each way (and importantly that is with walking speed of an average person, not taking into account any difficulties climbing up the steep hill(s).</p> <p>Public Transport</p> <p>There is no direct bus service to compensate for this extra walking beyond the recommended guidelines. Residents would have to take the 315 bus up Valley Road (which is only every 20mins in peak time or 30mins off peak) and then either walk 4-5 mins to the polling station, or wait and take a 417 bus a couple of stops to opposite the school entrance. And then they would have to wait and do it all over again to get back home.</p> <p>For all these reasons, using Julian’s for the polling station for SWE4 as currently drawn is absolutely wrong and I strongly oppose it. Whether you have to redraw the polling district boundaries to ensure Valley Rd Estate and Spa Court is put back to voting at Sunnyhill School (my preference and by far the easiest solution), or to find an alternative polling location (much harder), that is the question.</p> <p>SWE2 to be redrawn to include part of SWE4 - specifically all addresses within:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curtis Field Road • Roseneath Place (inc Blytheswood Place) • Samuel Johnson Close • James Boswell Close • South Oak Road 	
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			<p>This would seem to work as SWE2 is currently less than 1500 electors and would probably still be under the 2500 guidance even with including these roads/properties.</p> <p>I would also like to see the following move from SWE4 to SWE3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Namba Roy Court • Spa Court sheltered housing (on Wells Close) • Wells Close • Frances Barber Close <p>This would seem to work as SWE3 is currently less than 1400 electors and would easily still be under the 2500 guidance even with including these roads/properties.</p> <p>This would solve many of the problems I outlined in my previous email, as all electors in streets listed above would be voting at Sunnyhill School, rather than Julian's.</p> <p>If this were to make SWE4 small and potentially unviable, I would argue that geography and topography constrain any other equitable solution.</p> <p>However, I would also point out that a small SWE4 might make the closure of Julian's Primary School a less attractive proposition - given the loss of a day's education and inconvenience / childcare costs for not very many electors. I would still argue a portakabin in the car park area of Julian's - or another suitable location if there was one - would be a better solution.</p> <p>But that is very much a subsidiary point to the main purpose of this submission - to put forward a workable solution to the problem of Julian's being a very poor polling location for hundreds of electors earmarked to be in SWE4 under the proposals.</p> <p>Hope this is helpful, and is received and viewed favourably.</p>	
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Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
A Gibbs Resident	02/11/21	SWE4 – Julian’s Primary School	<p>Hello - I have already contributed my feedback on this issue via Norwood Forum, but wanted to also respond in person, as I feel very strongly that Lambeth should be taking this opportunity to review polling station locations and, where possible, find alternatives to closing schools.</p> <p>My children are at Julian's Primary School, and I am frustrated by the number of days education they have lost due to recent elections (including unexpected ones in 2017 and 2019), on top of the disruption to their education due to Covid. Where possible, I would hope that alternative locations to schools could be sought.</p> <p>For example, Julian's Streatham site is very close to Macintosh Court flats which has a community room - this was used as a polling station on one occasion when St Peter's Crypt was out of use. St Luke's primary school is very close to the Worldwide Fellowship Mission church, which could be a suitable alternative location. St Andrew's RC Catholic school is directly opposite a Kingdom Hall and the NHS Whittington Centre, which might have space available in a part of their building without disrupting their other services.</p> <p>Similarly, the British Home residential building on Crown Lane, near Crown Lane Primary, might have rooms available for hosting events which could function as a polling station without disrupting the lives of residents. Or, some of these buildings could potentially have portakabins or marquees installed on their grounds/car parks for a day for polling to take place. Given we have all got used to making use of these kinds of temporary spaces for Covid testing or vaccination clinics, I see no reason why they couldn't also be considered for polling stations.</p> <p>I am very committed to the right to vote and for voting to be as easy and accessible to everyone as possible, but I am also tired of my children's education being disrupted by this nearly every</p>	<p>We will not consider portakabins/marquees for the reasons set out in the initial consultation scheme.</p> <p>Other suggestions were taken into consideration. Macintosh Community Hall, British Home, Worldwide Fellowship Mission Church, NHS Whittington Centre, and Kingdom Hall were reviewed as potential alternatives.</p> <p>However, Worldwide Fellowship Mission Church, NHS Whittington Centre, and Kingdom Hall were not available for use. Others such as Macintosh Community Hall and British Home were deemed unsuitable due to restrictions in terms of size and accessibility.</p>

			year. I would like to see some constructive work being done on considering alternative sites to schools wherever possible.	
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23. Vauxhall Ward

No representations have been made for this ward.

24. Waterloo & South Bank Ward

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
S Da Silva Resident	22/11/21	WSB3 - Oasis Hub Waterloo	<p>There are no polling stations further along the south bank in the new Waterloo & South Bank ward. The final one is the Oasis Centre 1 Kennington Road. Everyone along the riverbank from Westminster bridge south do not have easy access.</p> <p>120 people per hector, 4 polling stations is not sufficient and all have difficult access for disabled people with either no direct parking outside, stairs or LTN's stopping cars entering during certain hours.</p>	<p>The venue will need to continue to be used as a polling station as we were unable to find an alternative when drafting the initial scheme. No alternatives have been put forward during consultation.</p> <p>Furthermore, New Cut Housing Co-Operative Community Room was proposed as the polling place for WSB1, it meets walking distance criteria and is close to several bus routes.</p>

25. West Dulwich

Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
I Scheimberg Resident	03/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre WED2 – Rosendale Primary School	I find the division of the WD ward between the two polling stations proposed completely absurd. I would prefer that Holy Trinity Church remains a polling station. That will also mean that you will not have to close Rosendale School when there is an election. I also think that it makes more sense to divide the ward in a north area voting at Holy Trinity and a south area voting at Peabody Hall Community Centre or an alternative place for the south part of the ward. If, despite the inconvenience to children and parents of using Rosendale School you decide to still use it as a polling station, the division in a north and south part of the ward still makes more sense to distribute the votes.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Boundaries have been updated to split voters of WED1 & WED2. The Rosendale Allotments Community Building is very well located but too small for a double. Rosendale Community Centre and All Saints Church are not well located.
S Morrow Resident	17/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre WED2 – Rosendale Primary School	I am writing in response to the consultation regarding polling station locations. I live in Thurlow Park ward, which will become the new West Dulwich ward. I have reviewed the locations of proposed polling stations and wish to comment as follows: 1. I would request that the current polling station at Holy Trinity church in Trinity Rise be retained. The removal of this polling station would mean that residents in Trinity Rise and Brockwell Park Gardens will face the longest journey in the whole borough to get to the proposed new polling station at Peabody Hill. 2. The number of constituents that each polling station serves is disproportionate. The vast majority of constituents will need to go to the polling station at Rosendale school, whereas the polling station at Peabody community centre will only be visited by a small number of people. It would make more sense to choose alternative polling stations or	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Boundaries have been updated to split voters of WED1 & WED2.

			<p>change the dividing line between polling stations from a North/South axis to an East West Axis.</p> <p>3. Rather than close Rosendale school for a day, when schools are already playing catch up due to the pandemic, it would make more sense to use nearby churches or community centres.</p>	
S Benyunes Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	<p>I would like to comment on the siting of the proposed WED1 polling station. I am a resident of Trinity Rise and the proposed polling station on the Upper Peabody Estate is in my view most inappropriate. Although not too far as the crow flies, it is a 20-minute walk up a steep hill to reach it, which would moreover render it inaccessible to many residents. Better nearby options for this would be the community hall on the Lower Peabody Estate off Rosendale Road, or Rosendale School, and I would urge you most strongly to reconsider in favour of one of these alternatives.</p> <p>S Benyunes</p>	<p>It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward.</p> <p>Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.</p>
MP Helen Hayes	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre WED2 – Rosendale Primary School WED3 – Goodwin Hall, Chatsworth Baptist Church WED4 – Elmworth Grove Community Hall	<p>It is proposed that the polling station for WED1 should be the Upper Peabody TRA Hall, WED2 should be served by Rosendale Primary School, WED3 should be served by the Goodwin Hall at Chatsworth Baptist Church and WED4 should be served by the Elmworth Community Hall on the Rosendale Gardens Estate. I strongly support these proposals – in particular the proposal to continue to locate a polling station on the Upper Peabody Estate which is geographically isolated from the rest of the ward, is very welcome.</p>	

R Dormandy Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As residents in Brockwell Park Gardens and Trinity Rise we find the designation of Peabody Community Hall completely inadequate for us. The Hall is not easily accessible from our roads and will make voting very difficult for many senior citizens. We would prefer that Trinity Church continues to act as a polling station. It is easily accessible, fully level access and large and available during the week without closing a school. R & R Dormandy	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.
Name	Date	Polling Place	Representation	Representation Comments
S Carpenter Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As a resident of Brockwell Park Gardens I don't think the designation of Peabody Community Hall is a good idea at all - there are many old people as well as parents of young children and people who leave early and return late from work in BPG and neighbouring Trinity Rise, and having our polling station very nearby at Holy Trinity Church ensures a high turnout at the polls. The Peabody Hall is not easily accessible from our roads and will make voting very difficult for many of us, which will lead to a lower turnout. We wish to keep Holy Trinity as a polling station.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.
T Spinks & N Rampley Residents	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	We are residents of Brockwell Park Gardens and strongly object to proposed changes to the redesignation of local Polling stations. We support retaining Holy Trinity church in Trinity Rise as our local polling station for two reasons: Firstly it is convenient for those in the area, especially those unable to walk far. Secondly, a requirement to use a hall on an estate at some distance would certainly present a deterrent to voting at all- not a desired outcome. Please retain our local church as our polling station! T Spinks & N Rampley	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.

<p>M McGowan Resident</p>	<p>30/11/21</p>	<p>WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre</p>	<p>I believe this is a very strange choice to move a polling station from a large church which is v visible in a street close to bus routes to Peabody hall which is actually v difficult to find</p> <p>It is tucked away at the back of the estate, not near any bus routes and will probably lead to a reduced number of people who actually bother to turn up to vote and people attempting to vote but not being able to find the polling station, getting lost and giving up.</p> <p>There will be some residents who will not feel comfortable with walking into an estate they do not know or perhaps know people they do not want to meet.</p> <p>I think the polling station needs to be in a more neutral place. If people believe being in a church is an issue then find another community space.</p> <p>In an age when it is becoming increasingly difficult to get people to vote we need to make it as easy as possible.</p> <p>If it is to be moved relocate it to a school or church elsewhere that will be a community landmark that is easy to spot.</p> <p>Rosendale school would be a very well-known spot or the church on Rosendale / corner of Lovelace Rd. I am sure there are much better options than the Peabody hall to encourage people to turn up and vote! It will be important to make sure any polling station is easy to find and as accessible as possible.</p>	<p>It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward.</p> <p>Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.</p>
<p>J Repa Resident</p>	<p>30/11/21</p>	<p>WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre</p>	<p>A mile walk from home at 78 Trinity Rise. Might have to give up voting.</p>	<p>It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward.</p> <p>Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.</p>

P Rose Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As a resident of Brockwell Park Gardens I find the designation of Peabody Community Hall as my polling station completely unacceptable and ridiculous. The Hall is not easily accessible and will make voting very difficult for many senior citizens and working people who rely on public transport. I would strongly prefer that Trinity church continues to act as a polling station, as I expect many other do too. If that is not possible, Rosendale school would at least make a more reasonable alternative.	<p>It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward.</p> <p>Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.</p>
A Ni Mhorain Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	Hello. I'm emailing to voice my objection to taking away this polling station.	<p>It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward.</p> <p>Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.</p>
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H Tarver Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	I object to the change of polling station from trinity church. As a resident of Trinity Rise. I find the designation of Peabody Community Hall unsuitable for local residents. The Hall is not easily accessible from our roads and will make voting very difficult for many senior citizens. We would prefer that Trinity church continues to act as a polling station. If that is not possible, Rosendale school is a good alternative	<p>It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward.</p> <p>Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.</p>

R Levis Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	"As residents in Brockwell Park Gardens and Trinity Rise we find the designation of Peabody Community Hall completely inadequate for us. The Hall is not easily accessible from our roads and will make voting very difficult for many senior citizens. We would prefer that Trinity Church continues to act as a polling station.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.
Z Sciver Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As residents in Brockwell Park Gardens and Trinity Rise we find the designation of Peabody Community Hall completely inadequate for us. The Hall is not easily accessible from our roads and will make voting very difficult for many senior citizens. We would prefer that Trinity Church continues to act as a polling station. If that is not possible, Rosendale school is a good alternative.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.
C Rose Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As a long-term Lambeth resident and pensioner living in Brockwell Park Gardens SE24, I think the choice of Peabody Community Hall as a polling station is the wrong choice for local residents. The Hall is difficult to find, is not easily accessible for our residents, The walk and climb will make voting difficult for many senior citizens and those with disabilities. The route to the Peabody involves people finding their way in an estate which many of us are not familiar with. I propose that we keep Holy Trinity Church as a polling station. If that is not possible, then both Rosendale Primary School or All Saints Church, West Dulwich, are both more accessible and more suitable.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.

<p>Cllr Fred Cowell, Cllr Anna Birly, Cllr Peter Ely</p>	<p>30/11/21</p>	<p>WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre</p> <p>WED2 – Rosendale Primary School</p> <p>WED3 – Goodwin Hall, Chatsworth Baptist Church</p> <p>WED4 – Elmworth Grove Community Hall</p>	<p>This response is from the Thurlow Park councillors, Anna Birley, Fred Cowell and Peter Ely. Around 70% of the new West Dulwich Ward consists of the Thurlow Park ward.</p> <p>We have reviewed the proposed polling districts for the new West Dulwich ward and have grave concerns about the proposed polling district WED1, which we believe is unviable.</p> <p>The Upper Peabody estate is currently a separate polling district within Thurlow Park ward, the polling station for this being the Peabody Hill Community Centre. The proposed polling district WED1 expands this to include Trinity Rise, Brockwell Park Gardens and the section of Norwood Road within West Dulwich ward. However, these roads are geographically separated from the Upper Peabody Estate by a railway line and in some cases are a 25 -30 minute walk from the Peabody Hill Community Centre. It is deceptively far because of the sharp hills, natural obstacles and lack of rights of way. Furthermore, the area leading up to the hill - bar one road is very badly lit.</p> <p>Access on foot is possible only via Rosendale Road and the Lower Peabody Estate or via the South Circular and Birkbeck Hill which in each case involves climbing a steep hill. This raises significant concern for elderly and more vulnerable residents, especially those who have mobility problems. There are currently no public transport options to the Upper Peabody Hall and only one very narrow access road.</p> <p>To address this, we would like to propose the following alternative arrangement for polling districts and stations;</p> <p>WED1 – Dalkeith Road, Turney Road, Croxted Road (north of junction with Dalkeith), Rosendale Road (north of junction with Turney and Dalkeith), Hawarden Grove, Guernsey Grove, Lairdale Estate, Lower Peabody Estate, Norwood Road, Brockwell Park Gardens and Trinity Rise.</p> <p>Proposed polling station – Rosendale School. This is a known land mark visible from across the ward, has excellent cycling,</p>	<p>It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward.</p> <p>Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.</p> <p>It was also noted that residents on the eastern edge of the initially proposed WED3 polling district, around Ling’s Coppice and Carson Road, would have an excessively long walk to their allocated polling place at Goodwin Hall. This section has therefore been incorporated into a new WED5 polling district, voting at Elmworth Grove Community Hall.</p>
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E Smith Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As residents of Trinity Rise we find the designation of Peabody Community Hall completely inadequate for us. The Hall is not easily accessible from our roads and will make voting very difficult for many senior citizens. We would prefer that Trinity church continues to act as a polling station. If that is not possible, Rosendale school is a good alternative.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.
T Levy Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	The average local resident spends precious little time in this beautiful church in Trinity Rise. Removing it as our local polling station will make our visits there even less frequent if not disappear altogether. This is without even considering the inconvenience it will cause to many of our older residents and busy parents. Are you trying to create even more voting apathy by making the process as difficult as possible? Please reconsider this poorly thought-out change – you should be encouraging more people to vote, not making it more difficult!	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.
H Rothstein Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As a resident of Trinity Rise I think the designation of Peabody Community Hall as the new polling station is inappropriate. The Hall is 16 minutes walk from just below the middle of Trinity Rise (by google maps), at the top of a steep hill and at one end of very oddly shaped district. That will make voting very difficult for many senior citizens and will discourage many others from voting who live in Trinity Rise and Brockwell Park Gardens. At a time of decreasing voter turnout, this is not the right thing to do. I would prefer that Trinity Church continues to act as a polling station. If that is not possible, Rosendale school is the least worst alternative.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.

I J Koschak Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As residents in Brockwell Park Gardens and Trinity Rise we find the designation of Peabody Community Hall completely inadequate for us. The Hall is not easily accessible from our roads and will make voting very difficult for many senior citizens. We would prefer that Trinity Church continues to act as a polling station. If that is not possible, Rosendale school is a good alternative.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.
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C Eames-Jones Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As a resident of Brockwell Park Gardens I find the designation of Peabody Community Hall rather than Holy Trinity Church as the local polling station completely inadequate for myself and others. The Hall is not easily accessible from my road and will make voting very difficult for me as a senior citizen. I would prefer Holy Trinity church, to which I can easily walk, continues to act as a polling station. If that is not possible, Rosendale school would be a more reasonable alternative.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.
K Reynolds Resident	30/11/21	WED1 - Peabody Hill Community Centre	As residents in Brockwell Park Gardens and Trinity Rise we find the designation of Peabody Community Hall completely inadequate for us. The Hall is not easily accessible from our roads and will make voting very difficult for many senior citizens. Trinity Church saw a heavy footfall and encouraged people to vote. And this includes the vast number of working parents with all children like myself to get out and vote we request that it continues to act as a polling station. If that is not possible, Rosendale school is a good alternative.	It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward. Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.

<p>West Norwood Forum</p>	<p>28/11/21</p>	<p>WED3 – Goodwin Hall</p> <p>WED4 - Elmworth Grove Community Hall</p>	<p>We note that four venues in the north of the ward which we recommended are under investigation for use in the future. We do hope that more than one will be adopted so as to reduce the number of voters journeying an unacceptable distance to Rosendale Primary School.</p> <p>We support the suggestion of Elmworth Grove Community Hall and assume the reference to West Norwood Library is an error. We recommend again the use of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aspire Health & Wellbeing Centre, 1 Park Hall Road, SE21 8EH <p>So as to reduce the usage of Goodwin Hall (a double station) and reduce the number of voters journeying unacceptable distances. We note also that joint use of Emmanuel Youth and Community Centre would much reduce journeys for some voters in the south east of the ward.</p> <p>We trust that this will enable the review to achieve the 10 minutes walking distance target for all voters.</p> <p>We hope these comments are helpful to the review and look forward to hearing the Council’s response as the Review is finalised.</p>	<p>It is agreed that creating an additional polling district around Holy Trinity and St Matthias Church would provide significantly improved access to voters in this part of the ward.</p> <p>Following on from this, boundaries in the updated WED2 polling district have been extended south, taking in the area around Thurlow Hill, with those residents voting at Peabody Hill Community Hall.</p> <p>It was also noted that residents on the eastern edge of the initially proposed WED3 polling district, around Ling’s Coppice and Carson Road, would have an excessively long walk to their allocated polling place at Goodwin Hall. This section has therefore been incorporated into a new WED5 polling district, voting at Elmworth Grove Community Hall.</p>
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