

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AT MEETINGS WORKING GROUP HELD: 5 JULY 2016
Start: 5.30pm
Finish: 5.50pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: R Pendleton (Chairman)
C Cooper
D Westley

Officers: Borough Solicitor (Mr T Broderick)
Elections and Administration Services Manager (Mr T Lynan)
Assistant Member Services Manager (Mrs J Denning)

1. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received on behalf of Councillor Bullock.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. NOTES

The notes of the meeting held on 22 March 2016 were considered.

AGREED That the notes of the meeting held on 22 March 2016 be agreed as a correct record.

4. ELECTORAL REVIEW OF WEST LANCASHIRE (THE REVIEW)

The Working Group considered the draft report of the Borough Solicitor proposed to be submitted to the Corporate and Environmental Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Council, which detailed the work undertaken in relation to a review of the Council's elected membership, ward boundaries, members per ward and the electoral cycle and recommended that the status quo be maintained and that no further action be taken.

Comments and questions were raised in respect of the following:

- The Parliamentary review scheduled for 2018
- The lack of substantial savings from the projected figures circulated at the last meeting
- Reasons for recommending the status quo.

AGREED That the report be submitted to Corporate and Environmental Overview & Scrutiny Committee on 14 July 2016 and Council on 20 July 2016 for consideration.