



Item 5

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Calton Area Partnership

Report by Director of Governance and Solicitor to the Council

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR SCOTLAND FIFTH
REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS – OUTCOMES FOR WARD
BOUNDARY ARRANGEMENTS AND COMMUNITY COUNCILS**

Purpose of Report:

To confirm the new Ward boundary arrangements to the Calton Area Partnership and the outcome in terms of community councils.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to note

- (1) the contents of the report; and
- (2) that a further report will be presented.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership priorities:
Specify which priorities this report is in relation to and which underlying principles support the development activity.

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1. Background

- 1.1 The Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland (LGBC-Scotland) has responsibility for reviewing local government boundaries and electoral arrangements in Scotland. LGBC-Scotland was established by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, and is an independent, non-political body.
- 1.2 LGBC-Scotland is required to conduct electoral reviews of each local authority at intervals of 8 to 12 years. The most recent review (which was the fifth review since 1974, and the first since 1998) was subject to consultation during 2015.
- 1.3 Legislation provides that LGBC-Scotland had to first of all consult on its proposals with local authorities, and after consideration of these responses, a public consultation followed.
- 1.4 LGBC-Scotland submitted its report and final recommendations, for the number of councillors and the electoral Ward boundaries in Glasgow, to Scottish Ministers on 26 May 2016. On 14 September 2016 Scottish Ministers agreed with LGBC-Scotland's recommendations for Ward boundaries across Glasgow.
- 1.5 LGBC-Scotland scheduled the Ward boundaries review so that its recommendations are capable of being implemented in time for the local government elections in May 2017.

2. Context

- 2.1 The current electoral arrangements for the number of councillors and the electoral Ward boundaries in Glasgow provide for 79 Councillors in 21 Wards, comprising 16 Wards each returning 4 Councillors and 5 Wards each returning 3 Councillors.
- 2.2 The agreed recommendations for the future number of councillors and the electoral Ward boundaries in Glasgow should provide for 85 councillors in 23 Wards, comprising 16 Wards each returning 4 Councillors and 7 Wards each returning 3 Councillors.
- 2.3 As a result of the above, i.e. the increase in the number of Wards and changes to boundaries from May 2017, further consideration may be required in relation to appropriate adjustment to the number and boundaries of Area Partnerships.
- 2.4 The table included with this report as appendix 1 illustrates the impact that the implementation of LGBC-Scotland's recommendations will have for the Wards and community councils which sit within each of the Sectors across the City.

3. Next Stage

- 3.1 As indicated above, there will need to be further consideration of the number and boundaries of Area Partnerships. This issue will be the subject of a report to the relevant Council Committee. It will then be discussed with Community Planning partners prior to developing specific proposals.
- 3.2 A further report will be presented to the Area Partnership following the above.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 The Calton Area Partnership is asked to note
 - (1) the contents of the report; and
 - (2) that a further report will be presented.