



# Community Governance Review 2022



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***This reviews initial consultation has ended and is currently being analysed to be reported to the Constitutional Member Development Panel.***

*Please refer to the review timetable for more information.*


## Timetable as agreed by council on 17 November 2021

REPORT TO *CMDP PROPOSING A CGR	25 October 2021
 <a href="#">REPORT TO COUNCIL</a> (PDF 247KB) TO APPROVING TERMS OF REFERENCE	17 November 2021
 <a href="#">TERMS OF REFERENCE</a> (PDF 344KB)	Week beginning 22 November 2021
REVIEW COMMENCES	1 January 2022
CMDP MEETS TO AGREE CONSULTATION	11 January 2022
INITIAL CONSULTATION - INVITE INITIAL SUBMISSIONS	From first meeting of CMDP to 1 April 2022
CMDP CONSIDERS INITIAL SUBMISSIONS AND DRAFTS RECOMMENDATIONS	May 2022
DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS PUBLISHED	1 June 2022
FINAL ROUND OF PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS	1 June 2022 to 31 August 2022
FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS BY CMDP	September 2022
PUBLISH FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS	September 2022
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## What is a Community Governance Review?

A Community Governance Review (CGR) is a process that provides an opportunity to review and make changes to governance arrangements for town and parish councils and parish areas. This means making sure that those living in the area, and other interested groups, have a say in how their local communities are represented.

Community Governance Reviews are undertaken in accordance with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

 [Community governance reviews: guidance - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

**Why are we conducting a Community Governance Review?** ▾

**What will the review consider?** ▾

**Parish Electorate Figures** ▾

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## What is a Parish Council?

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Parish councils are the level of government closest to the local community. They are a local authority with various duties and powers with an overall responsibility for the wellbeing of the community.

Parish councils are funded through a precept meaning, an amount of money calculated as part of the local council tax. These funds are budgeted and allocated to improve facilities and services within the community.

Parish councils also qualify for funds from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). This is money that local authorities can set on new development in order to raise funds to help fund the infrastructure, facilities and services - such as schools or transport improvements - needed to support new homes and businesses.

For parish areas with an approved neighbourhood plan, parish councils would receive 25 per cent of CIL money. However, for parish areas without a neighbourhood plan, parish councils would only receive 15 per cent of CIL money.

A large benefit of having a parish council is that the community has their voice heard. As elected members of the local area, parish councillors will often hold regular parish meetings to ensure they are doing what is asked of them for the benefit of the residents.

## How does this review affect my area?

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**Aldenham**



**Ridge, Shenley and South Mimms**



## Have Your Say

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We welcome representations from any person or body who may wish to comment or make proposals on any aspect of the matters under review. Representations that are received will be taken into account by judging them against the criteria in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

You can have your say by answering our Community Governance Review 2022 questionnaire. If you have any difficulty completing this, please contact Electoral Services on 020 8207 7481.

RECOMMENDATIONS REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION	November 2022
CONSEQUENTIAL ORDER MADE	November 2022 to February 2023
ELECTIONS TO NEW PARISH COUNCILS (IF ANY CREATED)	4 May 2023

\*Constitutional Member Development Panel is an all-party panel of councillors working with officers to deliver the review

All initial submissions and representations must be made by 1 April 2022.

*(This survey has now closed. Please refer to the Review Timetable as to what the next steps are)*

If you have any questions or require any further information, please email [cgr@hertsmere.gov.uk](mailto:cgr@hertsmere.gov.uk)

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