Manchester City Council Report for Resolution

Report to: Constitutional and Nomination Committee – 1 February 2023

Subject: Proposed Redesignation of Polling Places for 4 May 2023

Elections

Report of: The Chief Executive

Summary

To provide an update to the Committee since this report was published, relating to the following polling districts and places: Levenshulme (polling district 3LEB), Longsight (polling district 3LOF) and Chorlton (polling district 4CLB).

To also provide an overview of expected future polling place re-designations outstanding and to propose that these are re-designated ahead of 4 May Local Elections (and any others where it becomes necessary) using the Chief Executive's delegated powers.

<u>Update on proposed polling place re-designations</u>

Manchester Gorton Constituency

Levenshulme Ward 3LEB – update

Crowfoot Park Primary School is currently the designated polling place for electors in polling district 3LEB.

It is proposed that the Jain Community Centre on Leedale Street is to be used as the polling place for electors in 3LEB.

Outstanding polling place re-designations

The following polling places need to be re-designated ahead of May's Local Elections. Ongoing discussions with local ward members are currently taking place regarding the most suitable alternatives.

Constituency	Ward	Polling District(s)	Current Designated Polling Place	Proposed Polling Place
Manchester	Longsight	3LOF	Old Hall Drive	Sacred Heart
Gorton			Academy	& St Francis
				Parish Hall
Manchester	Longsight	3LOG	Grange School	Gorton
Gorton				Primary
				School

Manchester	Chorlton	4CLB	Chorlton Library	Chorlton
Withington			-	Scout Group
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Future re-designations

Once proposals have been developed, it is proposed that these are re-designated by the Chief Executive under delegated powers that allows her to make, where necessary, alterations to the designation of any polling place in consultation with ward members, group leaders and the Chair of the Constitutional and Nomination Committee. It is proposed the same approach applies to any polling place premises which becomes unexpectedly unavailable ahead of May's Local Elections.