

## Annexe B - Responses to consultation

Respondent	Organisation	Polling station	Comments
Ally		Binfield Memorial Hall, Terrace Road South, Binfield, RG42 4DJ	Not fair to evict the play group and rainbows for a day.
Shona Collins		Birch Hill Community Centre, Leppington, Bracknell, RG42 7WW	Very convenient from Juniper. Using CC means school not disturbed. Well satisfied.
Not provided		Birch Hill Community Centre, Leppington, Bracknell, RG42 7WW	Spacious location allowing plenty of flexibility on set up, making its easy to use and navigate. Plus high quality, clean facilities for use by staff during the day.
Angela Carey	Sandhurst Town Council	College Town Infants School, Branksome Hill Road, College Town, GU47 0QF	Further to your correspondence on the review of polling districts and polling places in the Borough. The Polling districts for Sandhurst were discussed in the recent Strategy & Policy Committee Meeting. A concern was raised with the polling district for College Town. Currently this is located in College Town Infant School and this subsequently means that both the Infant and Junior schools are closed for the day of any election as they share the same site. Sandhurst Town Councillors are concerned about the impact that this has on the community as it affects more than 500 children and their parents or carers who may have to take time off work to stay at home. College Town is the only ward in Sandhurst which currently uses a school as a polling station. Most elections take place in May, which is a critical time for the Year 6 Junior School pupils as the KS2 SATs are generally held the week after the election. Enforcing a day off can be very disruptive. It was suggested that an alternative location may be the Sandhurst Sports Centre site, either using The Spot or the Sports Centre itself. This is within the ward boundary. Although STC are aware that this site is now part of Sandhurst School, it is a stand-alone building and therefore would allow the school to operate throughout the day of any election. It also has good parking facilities, something which cannot be said of the Infant School. On behalf of STC I would appreciate the consideration of another site for the Polling District for College Town and await your response.
David Gaston		College Town Infants School, Branksome Hill Road, College Town, GU47 0QF	Facilities are fine except for parking
Not provided		Crown Wood Community Centre, Opladen Way, Bracknell, RG12 0PE	Satisfactory with plenty of parking
Eddie West		Crown Wood Community Centre, Opladen Way, Bracknell, RG12 0PE	Adequate
Hannah Ellis		Crown Wood Community Centre, Opladen Way, Bracknell, RG12 1FW	Very organised and very easy to get to.
David Gibson		Crowthorne Parish Hall, Heath Hill Road South, Crowthorne, RG45 7BN	Very good
Adele Swadling	Crowthorne Parish Council	Crowthorne Parish Hall, Heath Hill Road South, Crowthorne, RG45 7BN	The Parish Hall is the only polling station in Crowthorne serving both Crowthorne North and Crowthorne South residents. With the inclusion of the additional housing proposed for Cricket Field Grove, Buckler Park (former TRL site) and the numerous infill developments, the number of residents will increase considerably and as such the Parish Hall may no longer be able to accommodate the volume of residents wishing to vote.
Janet Wood		Crowthorne Parish Hall, Heath Hill Road South, Crowthorne, RG45 7BN	Quite a small hall, however it is easy to navigate
Jonathon Monger		Crowthorne Parish Hall, Heath Hill Road South, Crowthorne, RG45 7BN	The current polling station isn't easily accessible to all residents of Crowthorne
Beth Slade		Jennett's Park Community Centre, 1 Tawny Owl Square, Bracknell, RG12 8EB	There are two areas of Jennetts Park the other being Wykery Copse. They were able to vote in minutes with no queue where as JP residents had to queue for 45 minutes at the time we voted. There was only one list which seemed to be what was taking the time.
Edwin Sutton	Jennetts Park Community Association	Jennett's Park Community Centre, 1 Tawny Owl Square, Bracknell, RG12 8EB	Currently Jennett's Park and Wykery Copse are in two separate polling districts, use the same building for voting but different rooms
n/a		Jennett's Park Community Centre, 1 Tawny Owl Square, Bracknell, RG12 8EB	Very good
n/a		Kerith Centre, Church Road, Bracknell, RG12 1EH	Easy access and parking facilities good. Friendly and supportive staff at Kerith Centre.
Dr Ranjit Kapuge		Martins Heron Community Centre, Whitton Road, Martins Heron, RG12 9TZ	Suitable and ideal for Martins Heron & Warren voters
Anoma Radkevitch		Other	This is regarding Wokingham Without - RG40 3BP is in the Bracknell constituency. I have voted sometimes with Bracknell & sometimes with Wokingham. My address says Wokingham. All our council services are with Wokingham. I would prefer our voting area to be under Wokingham. The area of Wokingham Without is not at all high in population. I don't think it would make much difference to numbers. It would be more democratic to accurately reflect the local situation.
Claire Groves		Owlsmoor Community Centre, Yeovil Road, Owlsmoor, GU47 0TF	Everything here works very well. No change should be made.
Sally Woods		The Parks Community Centre, 8 - 10 Nicholson Park, Bracknell, RG12 9QN	I feel this venue is perfect for using as a Poll Station! There is plenty of parking, access into the building is clear with plenty of room to accommodate pushchairs and wheelchairs, the main hall is more than adequate in size and the disabled toilet is clearly located and easily accessible.
David Cavill		Warfield Park Community Hall, The Plateau, Warfield Park, RG42 3RL	The community hall is the ideal location for the park residents as most would be unable to travel any distance
Peter Lewis		Wildridings Primary School, Netherton, Bracknell, RG12 7DX	Whilst the arrangements work fine for a polling station, it is very noticeable that over 300 children are denied a day's education each time the school is used as a polling station. Given the local authorities view that every days education makes a difference to the outcomes of these children (with parents being fined £60 a day if they don't send their children to school), the current arrangements do not appear to be appropriate. (Wildridings school is located in one of the most deprived areas of Bracknell, where the educational progress of the children is challenging.)
Dee Hamilton	Councillor	Wildridings Primary School, Netherton, Bracknell, RG12 7DX	Are we still keeping BW at the school after all concerns raised about children missing school

Beckie Ripley		Wildridings Primary School, Netherton, Bracknell, RG12 7DX	As a parent of a child in this school, I find it an inappropriate place for a polling station. As parents we have our child's education to think about. We can be fined if head/borough deem it necessary for my child's absence from school. Our child's attendance drops in case of illness yet this excused for polling. I find it unacceptable that the borough deem it acceptable for an entire school to be absent for a whole days education.
Anne Marie	Winkfield Parish Council	Winkfield Parish polling stations	I should like to confirm that Winkfield Parish Council has no comments to make on the above review.
Andrew Gorham		Wooden Hill School, Staplehurst	Disrupts education of pupils and increases cost of childcare to parents
Heidi Spurdle		Wooden Hill School, Staplehurst, Bracknell, RG12 8DB	It is sad that our local school has to close on election days. My children have to stay at home, in order to allow the school to be used as a polling station, when there are more suitable locations in the local area.