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Review of the Community Arrangements of the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan

**Final Recommendations Report** 



#### **FOREWORD**

The Commission is pleased to present this Report to the Cabinet Secretary for Housing, Local Government and Planning, which contains its recommendations for community arrangements for the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan.

This review was conducted under the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013, and follows the principles contained in the Commission's Terms of Reference document.

The issue of fairness is at the heart of the Commission's statutory responsibilities. The Commission's objective has been to make recommendations that provide for communities that reflect local identities and facilitate effective and convenient local government. The recommendations are aimed at improving how communities are reflected as well as achieving improved electoral parity where possible.

The Commission is grateful to the Members and Officers of the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan for their assistance in its work, to the Community and Town Councils for their valuable contributions, and to all who have made representations throughout the process.

**Beverley Smith** 

Chair

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#### FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT

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#### Chapter 1. SUMMARY OF FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. The Commission recommends a change to the arrangement of communities and community wards that should ensure that communities continue to reflect local identities and facilitate effective and convenient local government across the principal council area.
- 2. The Commission recommends a change to the boundaries of 25 communities across the principal council area. As a consequence of these changes, the Commission has recommended changes to the electoral arrangements of 25 communities across the principal council area.
- 3. The Commission has recommended no changes to be made in respect of 2 communities across the principal council area. The Commission is content with the existing community boundaries of those communities (Rhoose and St Athan). The Commission recommends that the County Borough Council carries out a section 31 review of the electoral arrangements of these communities to bring them in line with the council size policy.
- 4. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 117 representations from The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), 19 Town and Community councils, 2 Political Party Groups, 5 County Councillors, 2 Community Organisations and 88 Members of the Public, including a letter writing campaign containing 77 responses. The Commission considered all these representations carefully before it formulated its recommendations.
- 5. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 142 representations from The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group, (VOGCPWG), 21 Town and Community councils, 1 Member of Parliament, 2 Members of the Senedd, 6 County Councillors, 3 Town and Community Councillors, 4 Political Groups, 2 Community Groups and 102 Members of the Public. The Commission also received 3 petitions containing 80, 50 and 134 signatures respectively, and 2 letter writing campaigns containing 19, and 18 responses respectively. The Commission considered all these representations carefully before it formulated its recommendations.
- 6. As described in the Final Recommendations Information document, in producing a scheme of electoral arrangements the Commission must have regard to a number of issues contained in the legislation. It is not always possible to resolve all of these, sometimes conflicting, issues. In the Commission's recommended scheme the Commission has placed emphasis on ensuring that communities continue to reflect local identities and facilitate effective and convenient local government.
- 7. The Commission recognises that the creation of communities and community wards which depart from the pattern which now exists may impact upon existing ties between communities.

#### Chapter 2. THE COUNCIL SIZE POLICY

- 1. As part of the agreement to carry out the review on behalf of the local authority the Commission requests that the local authority submits its own council size policy to the Commission.
- 2. The Council Size Policy is not used as prescriptively as in other types of reviews carried out by the Commission and acts as a guide.
- 3. The Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council have submitted the following which forms their Council Size Policy:
  - First, a community should in general have no fewer than 1,000 electors. Exceptions to this rule should be permitted where there are strong, evidence-based reasons, but in no circumstances should a community have fewer than 150 electors.
  - Second, each community that is created should be represented by a minimum of 7 councillors.
  - Third, the ratio of councillors to electors in each community should depend on the categorisation of the community.
  - In rural communities, which are communities with no dense area of population, there should generally be a ratio of 150 electors per councillor.
  - In urban communities, which are communities where the electorate is densely populated, there should generally be a ratio of 500 electors per councillor.
  - In mixed communities, which are communities that are predominantly rural but have a pocket of dense population, there should generally be a ratio of 200 electors per councillor.

#### **Chapter 3. THE FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. The Commission's recommendations are described in detail in this chapter. For each new recommendation the report sets out:
  - The name(s) of the existing community areas which wholly or in part constitute the recommended amended new communities;
  - a brief description of the existing community arrangements in terms of the number of electors and warding arrangements (if applicable);
  - key arguments made during the Commissions deliberations;
  - the composition of the recommended community arrangements;
  - a table which sets out the recommended community council arrangements including the variance from the ratio of electors per councillor within the wards of each community; and,
  - a map of the recommended community and/or community ward.

#### **BARRY**

2. The current town council arrangements in Barry consist of 8 wards: Baruc, Buttrills, Cadoc, Castleland, Court, Dyfan, Gibbonsdown, and Illtyd. The town has a total electorate of 40,727 and is represented by 22 town councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Town Ward   | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|-------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Baruc       | 7,044      | 3                     |
| Buttrills   | 4,601      | 3                     |
| Cadoc       | 7,512      | 3                     |
| Castleland  | 3,488      | 2                     |
| Court       | 3,510      | 3                     |
| Dyfan       | 4,232      | 2                     |
| Gibbonsdown | 3,968      | 3                     |
| Illtyd      | 6,372      | 3                     |
| Total       | 40,727     | 22                    |

#### Representations

- 3. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 6 representations concerning the Town of Barry from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), The Vale of Glamorgan Conservative Group, The Vale of Glamorgan Plaid Cymru Group, Barry Town Council, and 2 residents of Barry. The representations are published on the <a href="Commission's website">Commission's website</a>.
- 4. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 8 representations concerning the Town of Barry from: VOGCPWG, 2 Members of the Senedd, 1 Town Councillor, The Vale of Glamorgan Conservative Group, Plaid Cymru Bro Morgannwg, and 2 residents of Barry. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

#### Town ward boundary recommendations

- 5. The Commission recommends applying 12 changes to the existing internal town boundaries, which includes the creation of a new 'Waterfront' ward and transfer of areas between the following community wards:
  - Baruc to Illtyd
  - Buttrills to Illtyd
  - Cadoc to Court
  - Cadoc to Court
  - Illtyd to Dyfan
  - Illtyd to Dyfan

- Buttrills to Dyfan
- Gibbonsdown to Dyfan
- Gibbonsdown to Cadoc
- Buttrills to Waterfront
- Castleland to Waterfront
- Baruc to Waterfront

- 6. The Commission recommends the transfer of part of the Baruc ward to the Illtyd ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north of the ward and affects 329 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the residents to the north of Park Road to be included within the Illtyd ward and to provide a clearer and well-defined boundary between the 2 wards. The Commission received 2 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Baruc ward during the secondary consultation period. The Draft Proposal was supported by the VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation creates a clearer boundary to residents and provides for more effective and convenient local government and there was no opposition to this recommendation during the draft consultation period. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 16.
- 7. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Buttrills ward to the Illtyd ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north west of the ward and affects 250 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the residents to the north west of Jenner Road (A4050) to be included within the Illtyd ward and to provide a clearer and well-defined boundary between the 2 wards. The Commission received 3 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Buttrills ward during the secondary consultation period. The Draft Proposal was supported by the VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation creates a clearer boundary to residents and provides improvements in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 17.
- 8. The Commission further recommends the transfer of part of the Cadoc ward to the Court ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 209 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the residents to the south of Gladstone Road (A4055) to be included within the Court ward and to provide a clearer and well-defined boundary between the 2 wards. The Commission received 3 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Cadoc ward during the secondary consultation period. The Draft Proposal was supported by the VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation creates a clearer boundary to residents and provides improvements in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 18.
- 9. The Commission also recommends the transfer of an additional part of the Cadoc ward to the Court ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 127 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the residents to the west of Robbins Lane to be included within the Court ward and to provide a clearer and well-defined boundary between the 2 wards. The Commission received 3 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Cadoc ward during the secondary consultation period. The Draft Proposal was supported by the VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation creates a clearer boundary to residents and provides improvements in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 19.

- 10. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Illtyd ward to the Dyfan ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 348 electors. The recommendation was submitted by the Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council Cross- Party Working Group (VOGCPWG) and Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the residents of the Highlight Park housing development to be combined within 1 ward. The Commission received 3 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Dyfan ward during the secondary consultation period. The Draft Proposal was supported by the VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation creates a clearer boundary to residents and provides improvements in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 20.
- 11. The Commission then recommends the transfer of an additional part of the Illtyd ward to the Dyfan ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 135 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the residents to the west of Colcot Road (A4050) along Glen Mavis Way, Greenbanks Drive and the Cardiff and Vale College to be included within the Dyfan ward and provides improved access to the ward. The Commission received 3 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Dyfan ward during the secondary consultation period. The Draft Proposal was supported by the VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation creates a clearer boundary to residents and provides improvements in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 21.
- 12. The Commission recommends the transfer of part of the Buttrills ward to the Dyfan ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 866 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the residents to the north of Gladstone Road (A4055) to be included within the Dyfan ward and provides improved access to the ward as well as a clearer and well-defined boundary between the 2 wards. The Commission received 3 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Buttrills and Dyfan wards during the secondary consultation period. The Draft Proposal was supported by the VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation creates a clearer boundary to residents and provides improvements in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 22.
- 13. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Gibbonsdown ward to the Dyfan ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 17 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow a small number of residents to the west of Tennyson Road to be included within the Dyfan ward and provides improved access to the ward. The Commission received 3 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Dyfan ward during the secondary consultation period. The Draft Proposal was supported by the VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation creates a clearer boundary to residents and provides improvements in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 23.

- 14. The Commission further recommends the transfer of part of the Gibbonsdown ward to the Cadoc ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 65 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the residents of Heol Leubren, Cwrt Eirlys and Pencoedtre Lane to be included within the Cadoc ward and provides improved access to the ward. The Commission received a proposal from the VOGCPWG during the secondary consultation period which proposed to include the proposed development site on the eastern edge of Pencoedtre High School. This proposal does not affect any additional electors. The Commission also received 1 representation suggesting the division of the Cadoc ward into two smaller town wards. However, the Commission is of the view that this recommendation creates a clearer boundary to residents and provides improvements in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 24.
- 15. As mentioned in paragraph 5 the Commission recommends the creation of a new ward of Waterfront, in order to do this the Commission recommends to transfer part of the Buttrills ward to the new ward of Waterfront. This involves the transfer of the area to the south of the ward and affects 378 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the creation of a new ward which reflects the development in the area. The Commission received 2 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Waterfront ward during the secondary consultation stage. The Commission is of the view that the creation of the Waterfront ward provides for more effective and convenient local government for the residents of the area. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 25.
- 16. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Castleland ward to the new ward of Waterfront. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 659 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the creation of a new ward which reflects the development in the area. The Commission received 2 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Waterfront ward during the secondary consultation period. The Commission is of the view that this proposal to create the Waterfront ward provides for more effective and convenient local government for the residents of the area. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 26.
- 17. Finally, The Commission recommends the transfer of part of the Baruc ward to the new ward of Waterfront. This involves the transfer of the area to the north east of the ward and affects 2,103 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG and Barry Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the creation of a new ward which reflects the development in the area. The Commission received 2 representations proposing alternative arrangements for the Town of Barry and the Waterfront ward during the secondary consultation period. The Commission is of the view that the creation of the Waterfront ward provides for more effective and convenient local government for the residents of the area. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 15 and in greater detail on the map on page 27.
- 18. As a result of these recommendations the electorate within the Town of Barry will remain at 40,727.

#### **Recommended Names**

- 19. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community ward name of Waterfront with the Welsh name of Glannau'r Barri as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner. The Commission also recommends that these names be applied to the new principal council electoral ward.
- 20. The Commission recommends retaining the single community ward name of **Baruc** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 21. The Commission also recommends retaining the single community ward name of **Buttrills** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 22. The Commission also recommends retaining the English community ward name of **Cadoc**, and the Welsh name of **Cadog** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 23. The Commission also recommends retaining the single community ward name of **Castleland** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 24. The Commission also recommends retaining the single community ward name of **Court** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 25. The Commission also recommends retaining the single community ward name of **Dyfan** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 26. Finally, the Commission recommends retaining the English community ward name of **Illtyd**, and the Welsh name of **Illtud** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.

#### **Consequential Changes**

#### **Town Council electoral arrangements**

- 27. The recommended town council arrangements in Barry will consist of 9 wards: Baruc, Buttrills, Cadoc, Castleland, Court, Dyfan, Gibbonsdown, Illtyd and Waterfront. The town is recommended to have a total electorate of 40,727 and be represented by 23 town councillors.
- 28. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to town council electoral arrangements that would occur following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the town council can be seen on page 13.

|             | Barry Town Council (Urban) |                          |                               |                  |             |                          |                            |                  |  |  |
|-------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|--|--|
|             |                            | Existi                   | ng                            |                  | Recommended |                          |                            |                  |  |  |
| Wards       | Electors                   | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(TC) | Electors    | Community<br>Councillors | Electors per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(TC) |  |  |
| Baruc       | 7,044                      | 3                        | 2,348                         | 27%              | 4,612       | 3                        | 1,537                      | -13%             |  |  |
| Buttrills   | 4,601                      | 3                        | 1,534                         | -17%             | 3,107       | 2                        | 1,554                      | -12%             |  |  |
| Cadoc       | 7,512                      | 3                        | 2,504                         | 35%              | 7,241       | 4                        | 1,810                      | 2%               |  |  |
| Castleland  | 3,488                      | 2                        | 1,744                         | -6%              | 2,829       | 2                        | 1,415                      | -20%             |  |  |
| Court       | 3,510                      | 3                        | 1,170                         | -37%             | 3,846       | 2                        | 1,923                      | 9%               |  |  |
| Dyfan       | 4,232                      | 2                        | 2,116                         | 14%              | 5,598       | 3                        | 1,866                      | 5%               |  |  |
| Gibbonsdown | 3,968                      | 3                        | 1,323                         | -29%             | 3,886       | 2                        | 1,943                      | 10%              |  |  |
| Illtyd      | 6,372                      | 3                        | 2,124                         | 15%              | 6,468       | 3                        | 2,156                      | 22%              |  |  |
| Waterfront  | -                          | -                        | -                             | -                | 3,140       | 2                        | 1,570                      | -11%             |  |  |
|             | 40,727                     | 22                       |                               |                  | 40,727      | 23                       |                            |                  |  |  |

The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Town of Barry would be entitled to a council of 81 members which would improve the county wide variance, however, the Commission has recommended a council membership increase of only 1 member due to the need to provide for effective and convenient local government. The Commission is of the view that a town council of 81 members would be unwieldly and not reflective of the representations received.

#### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 29. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 30. As a consequence of the recommended changes to the warding arrangements within Barry the Commission also recommend the same changes be applied to the existing electoral wards listed below, in addition to the creation of a new Waterfront electoral ward:
  - Baruc
  - Buttrills
  - Cadoc
  - Castleland
  - Court

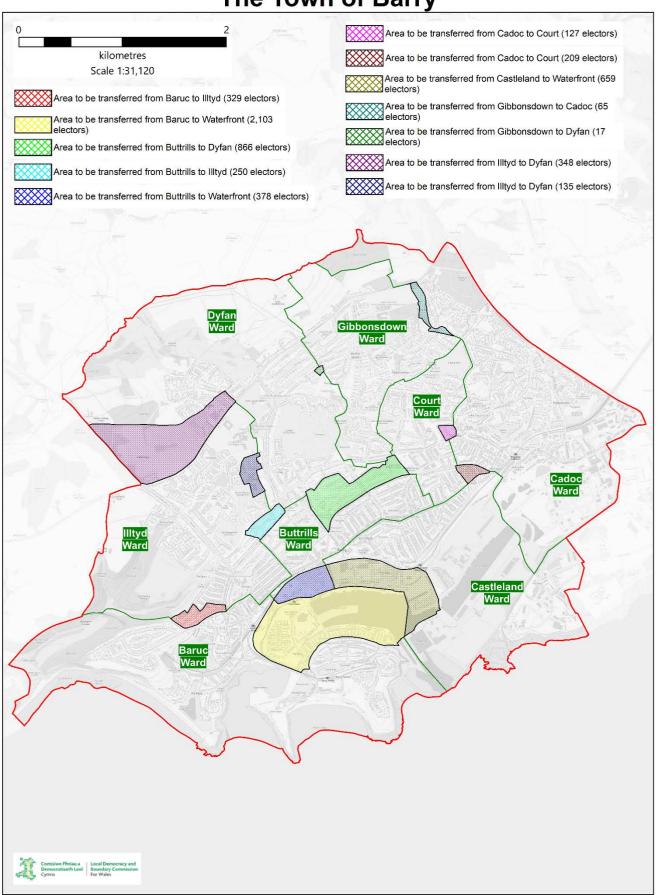
- Dyfan
- Gibbonsdown
- Illtyd
- Waterfront

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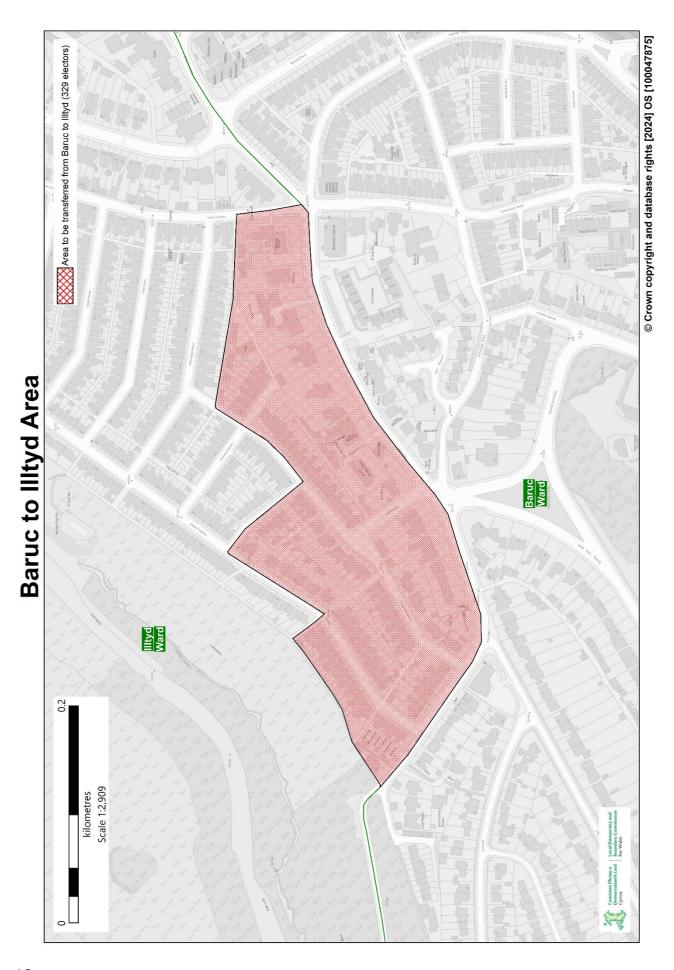
31. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

|             | Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements |       |                            |          |             |       |                            |          |  |  |
|-------------|--|-------|----------------------------|----------|-------------|-------|----------------------------|----------|--|--|
|             |  |       | Existing                   |          | Recommended |       |                            |          |  |  |
| Wards       | Electors   | Cllrs | Electors per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors    | Cllrs | Electors per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |  |
| Baruc       | 7,044  | 3     | 2,348                      | 21%      | 4,612       | 3     | 1,537                      | -15%     |  |  |
| Buttrills   | 4,601  | 2     | 2,301                      | 19%      | 3,107       | 2     | 1,554                      | -14%     |  |  |
| Cadoc       | 7,512  | 4     | 1,878                      | -3%      | 7,241       | 4     | 1,810                      | 1%       |  |  |
| Castleland  | 3,488  | 2     | 1,744                      | -10%     | 2,829       | 2     | 1,415                      | -21%     |  |  |
| Court       | 3,510  | 2     | 1,755                      | -9%      | 3,846       | 2     | 1,923                      | 7%       |  |  |
| Dyfan       | 4,232  | 2     | 2,116                      | 9%       | 5,598       | 3     | 1,866                      | 4%       |  |  |
| Gibbonsdown | 3,968  | 2     | 1,984                      | 3%       | 3,886       | 2     | 1,943                      | 8%       |  |  |
| Illtyd      | 6,372  | 3     | 2,124                      | 10%      | 6,468       | 3     | 2,156                      | 20%      |  |  |
| Waterfront  | -  | -     | -                          | -        | 3,140       | 2     | 1,570                      | -13%     |  |  |
|             | 40,727   | 20    | 1,933                      |          | 40,727      | 23    | 1,800                      |          |  |  |

# The Town of Barry



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**Buttrills to Illtyd Area** 0.2 kilometres Scale 1:3,021 Area to be transferred from Buttrills to Illtyd (250 electors)

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Cadoc to Court Area (1) Area to be transferred from Cadoc to Court (209 electors) kilometres Scale 1:3,856 Castleland Ward

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Cadoc to Court Area (2) kilometres Scale 1:2,463 area to be transferred from Cadoc to Court (127 electors)

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IIItyd to Dyfan Area (1) 0.5 kilometres Scale 1:10,790 Area to be transferred from Illtyd to Dyfan (348 © Crown copyright and database rights [2024] OS [100047875]

Illtyd to Dyfan Area (2) kilometres Scale 1:8,545 Area to be transferred from Illtyd to Dyfan (135 electors)

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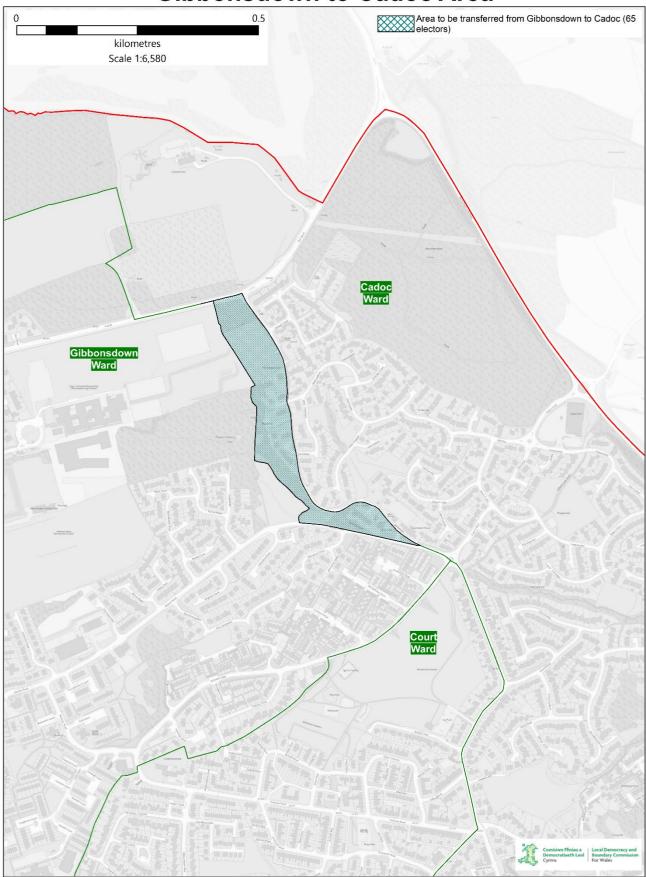
**Buttrills to Dyfan Area** 0.5 kilometres Scale 1:7,355 Area to be transferred from Buttrills to Dyfan (866 electors) Court Ward

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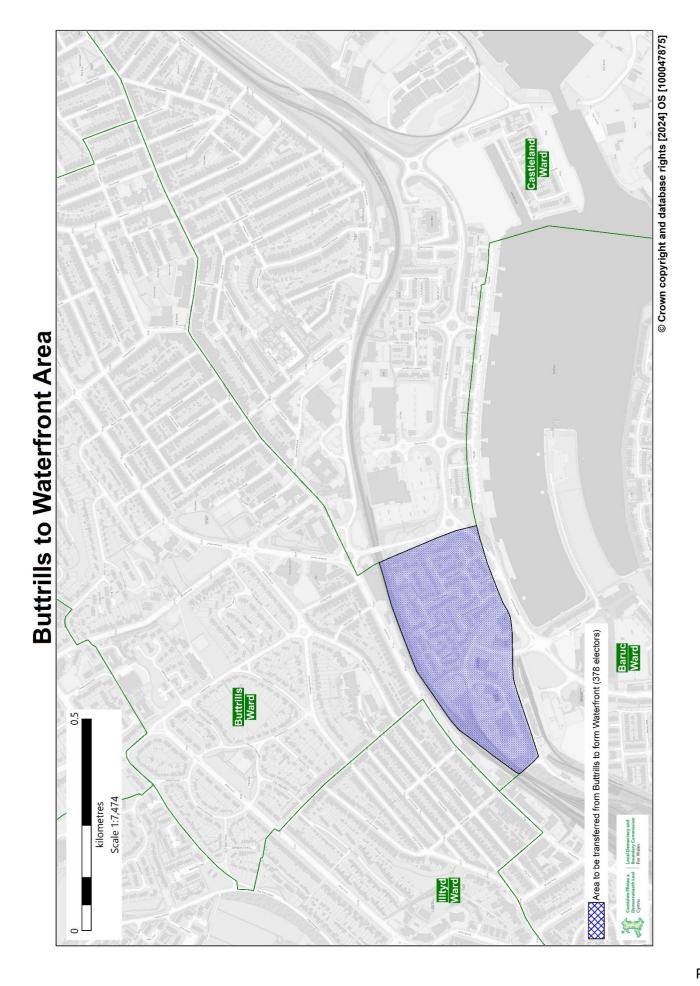
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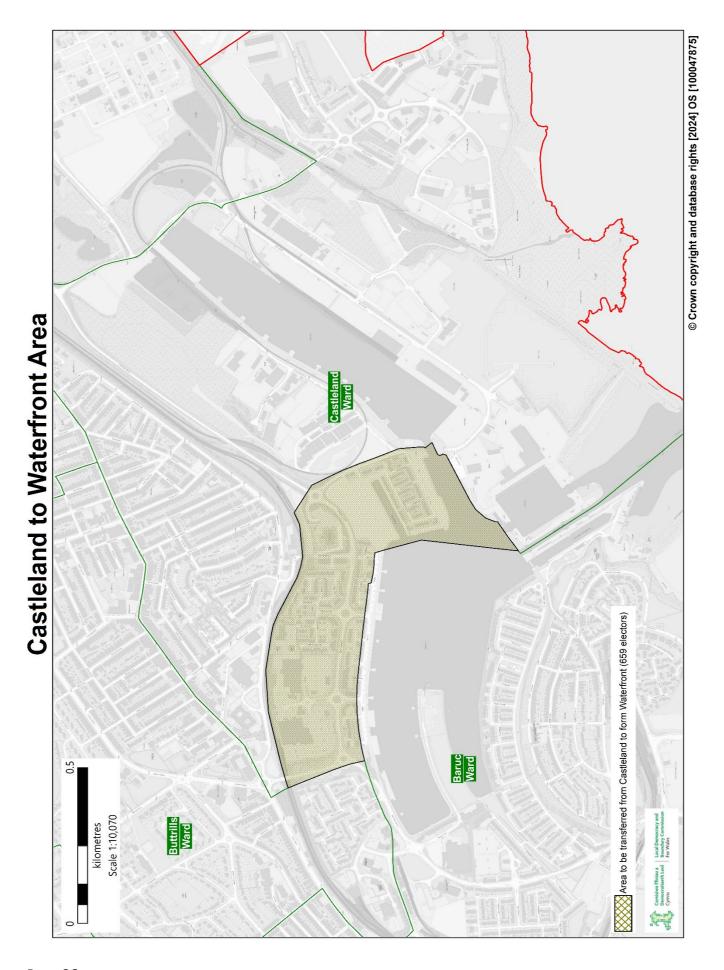
Gibbonsdown to Dyfan Area Area to be transferred from Gibbonsdown to Dyfan (17 electors) kilometres Scale 1:5,936

# Gibbonsdown to Cadoc Area

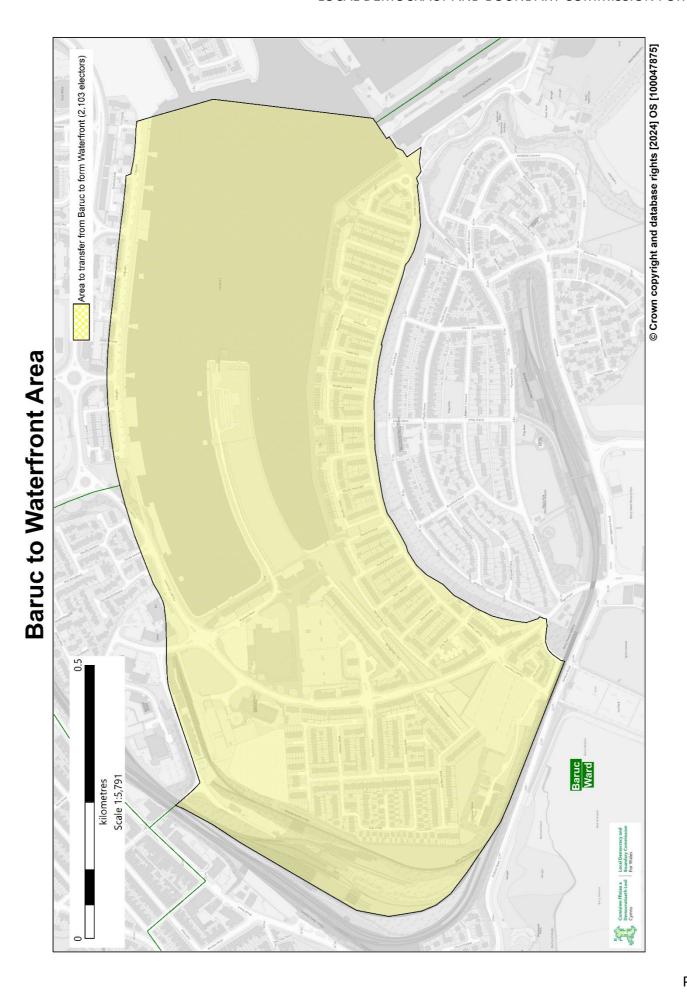


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#### **PENARTH**

32. The current town council arrangements in Penarth consist of 4 wards: Cornerswell, Plymouth, St Augustine's, and Stanwell. The town has a total electorate of 17,766 and is represented by 16 town councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as f1ollows:

| Town Ward      | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Cornerswell    | 4,119      | 4                     |
| Plymouth       | 4,677      | 4                     |
| St Augustine's | 5,506      | 5                     |
| Stanwell       | 3,464      | 3                     |
| Total          | 17,766     | 16                    |

#### Representations

- 33. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 5 representations concerning the Town of Penarth from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), The Vale of Glamorgan Plaid Cymru Group, Penarth Town Council, a resident of Dinas Powys and a resident of Lavernock. The representations are published on the <a href="Commission's website">Commission's website</a>.
- 34. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 61 representations concerning the Town of Penarth from: VOGCPWG, 1 Member of the Senedd, Penarth Town Council, Sully and Lavernock Community Council, 1 Community Councillor, Plaid Cymru Bro Morgannwg, Penarth District Conservative Group, 2 Community Groups, and 52 residents of Sully and Lavernock. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

#### Town ward boundary proposals

- 35. The Commission recommends applying 6 changes to the existing town boundaries, which includes the creation of a new 'Cosmeston' ward and transfer of areas between the following community areas:
  - Lavernock to Cosmeston
  - Plymouth to Cosmeston
  - Plymouth to Stanwell

- Murch to Cornerswell
- Murch to Stanwell
- Murch to Plymouth
- The Commission recommends the transfer of part of the Lavernock ward, which is currently within the 36. Community of Sully and Lavernock to the new ward of Cosmeston. This involves the transfer of the area to the south of the ward and affects 693 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG, and supported by Penarth Town Council at the initial consultation stage to allow the residents to the south of Brockhill Way, Stanton Way and Whitcliffe Drive to be included within the new Cosmeston ward and to account for the expansion of Penarth Town beyond its existing boundary, as well as providing the Cosmeston area with its own representation on the Town Council. It is recommended that Fort Road is used as the Southern boundary of the Cosmeston ward. The Commission is of the view that the creation of the Cosmeston ward provides for more effective and convenient local government for the residents of the area. During the secondary consultation period, the Commission received a number of representations opposing the proposal for Cosmeston. The Commission acknowledges the representations received in opposition to the creation of the Cosmeston ward within Penarth Town Council, however, the Commission notes that the representations opposed the creation of the ward were largely related to an anticipated but unconfirmed increase in Council Tax rates, and the Commission is satisfied that the creation of the Cosmeston ward, which creates a new single member ward utilising an area that directly abuts Penarth

Town is in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the maps on pages 33 and 34 and in greater detail on the map on pages 35.

- 37. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Plymouth ward to the new Cosmeston ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the south-west of the ward and affects 0 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG and supported by Penarth Town Council at the initial consultation stage to allow for the area that forms Cosmeston Lakes County Park to be included within the newly recommended Cosmeston ward. The Commission agrees that the creation of the Cosmeston ward provides for more effective and convenient local government for the residents of the area. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 33 and in greater detail on the map on page 36.
- 38. The Commission further recommends the transfer of part of the Plymouth ward to the Stanwell ward. This involves the transfer of an area to the North of the ward and affects 24 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Penarth Town Council during the secondary consultation period who recommended uniting the area of Ty Uchaf within the Stanwell ward by adjusting the boundary to follow Heol y Brenin and join Dinas Road. This unites the Ty Uchaf area within a single community ward and provides a clearer boundary. The Commission agrees that the proposal provides for more effective and convenient local government for the residents of the area. This recommendation can be found on the map on page 33 and in greater detail on the map on page 37.
- 39. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Murch ward, which is currently within the Community of Dinas Powys to the Cornerswell ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 10 electors. The recommendation was submitted by a resident of Sully Road during the initial consultation period to allow the residents to be included within the Penarth Town Council area due to having clearer, more direct access to Penarth. The area recommended to be transferred is adjacent to the Cornerswell ward and would provide a clearer and better-defined boundary between the 2 wards and the Commission is of the view that the properties have more direct access to Penarth. The Commission agrees that the recommendation provides a clearer boundary to residents of the area and that the recommendation provides for effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 33 and in greater detail on the map on page 38.
- 40. The Commission further recommends the transfer of part of the Murch ward, which is currently within the Community of Dinas Powys to the Stanwell ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 38 electors. The recommendation was submitted by a resident of Sully Road during the initial consultation period to allow for the residents to be included within the Penarth Town Council area due to having clearer, more direct access to Penarth. The area recommended to be transferred is adjacent to the Stanwell ward and would provide a clearer and better-defined boundary between the 2 wards and the Commission is of the view that the properties have more direct access to Penarth. The Commission agrees that the recommendation provides a clearer boundary to residents of the area and that the recommendation provides for effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 33 and in greater detail on the map on page 39.
- 41. Finally, the Commission recommends the transfer part of the Murch ward, which is currently within the Community of Dinas Powys to the Plymouth ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the west of the ward and affects 22 electors. The recommendation was submitted by a resident of Sully Road during the initial consultation period to allow for the residents to be included within the Penarth Town Council area due to having clearer, more direct access to Penarth. The area recommended to be transferred is adjacent to the Cornerswell ward and would provide a clearer and better-defined boundary between the 2 wards and the Commission is of the view that the properties have more direct access to Penarth. The Commission agrees that the recommendation provides a clearer boundary to residents of the area and

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- that the recommendation provides for effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 33 and in greater detail on the map on page 40.
- 42. As a result of these recommendations the electorate within the Town of Penarth will increase to 18,529. With 70 electors transferring to Penarth from the Community of Dinas Powys, and 693 electors transferring to Penarth from the Community of Sully and Lavernock.

#### **Recommended Names**

- 43. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends retaining the existing single Town name of **Penarth** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021. The Welsh Language Commissioner agrees with the recommended single name for the Town.
- 44. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new single community ward name of **Cosmeston**. The Welsh Language Commissioner agrees with the recommended single name for the new ward. The Commission recommends that this name is also applied to the new principal council electoral ward.
- 45. The Commission recommends retaining the single community ward name of **Cornerswell** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 46. The Commission also recommends retaining the single community ward name of **Plymouth** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 47. The Commission also recommends retaining the single community ward name of **Stanwell** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 48. Finally, the Commission recommends retaining the single community ward name of **St Augustine's** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.

#### **Consequential Changes**

#### **Town Council electoral arrangements**

- 49. The recommended town council arrangements in Penarth would consist of 5 wards: Cornerswell, Cosmeston, Plymouth, St Augustine's, and Stanwell. The town is recommended to have a total electorate of 18,529 and be represented by 17 town councillors.
- 50. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to town council electoral arrangements that would occur following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the town council can be seen below:

|             | Penarth Town Council (Urban) |             |           |          |         |             |           |          |  |  |  |
|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|-----------|----------|---------|-------------|-----------|----------|--|--|--|
|             |                              | Existi      | ng        |          |         | Recomr      | mended    |          |  |  |  |
|             |                              |             | Electors  |          |         |             | Electors  |          |  |  |  |
|             |                              | Communit    | per       |          |         | Communit    | per       |          |  |  |  |
|             |                              | У           | Councillo | Variance | Elector | У           | Councillo | Variance |  |  |  |
| Wards       | Electors                     | Councillors | r         | (TC)     | S       | Councillors | r         | (TC)     |  |  |  |
| Cornerswell | 4,119                        | 4           | 1,030     | -7%      | 4,129   | 4           | 1,032     | -5%      |  |  |  |
| Cosmeston   | -                            | -           | -         | -        | 693     | 1           | 693       | -36%     |  |  |  |
| Plymouth    | 4,677                        | 4           | 1,169     | 5%       | 4,675   | 4           | 1,169     | 7%       |  |  |  |
| St          |                              |             |           |          |         |             |           |          |  |  |  |
| Augustine's | 5,506                        | 5           | 1,101     | -1%      | 5,506   | 5           | 1,101     | 1%       |  |  |  |
| Stanwell    | 3,464                        | 3           | 1,155     | 4%       | 3,526   | 3           | 1,175     | 8%       |  |  |  |
|             | 17,766                       | 16          | 1,110     |          | 18,529  | 17          | 1,090     |          |  |  |  |

The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Town of Penarth would be entitled to a council of 35 members which would improve the county wide variance, however, the Commission has recommended a council membership increase of only 1 member due to the need to provide for effective and convenient local government. The Commission is of the view that a town council of 35 members would be unwieldly and not reflective of the representations received.

|           | The Community of Sully and Lavernock (Mixed) |             |                               |                  |          |             |                               |                  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------|--|-------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|
|           |  | Exist       | ting                          |                  |          | Recom       | mended                        |                  |  |  |  |  |
| Wards     | Electors                                     | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |  |  |  |  |
| Lavernock | 790  | 2           | 395                           | -10%             | 97       | 1           | 97                            | -79%             |  |  |  |  |
| Sully     | 3,162  | 7           | 452                           | 3%               | 3,162    | 6           | 527                           | 13%              |  |  |  |  |
|           | 3,952  | 9           | 439                           |                  | 3,259    | 7           | 466                           |                  |  |  |  |  |

The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Sully and Lavernock is entitled to a council of 16 members which would improve the county wide variance, however, the Commission has recommended a council membership reduction of 2 members to account for the loss of electorate to the recommended 'Cosmeston' ward. The Commission is of the view that a community council of 16 members would be unwieldly and not reflective of the representations received. The Commission acknowledges the representations received in opposition to the creation of Cosmeston, however, it is the view of the Commission that many of the representations received were based upon unconfirmed changes to Council Tax rates and that the creation of a new county council electoral ward formed will improve the democratic representation for residents.

#### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 51. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 52. As a consequence of the recommended changes to the warding arrangements within Penarth the Commission also recommends the same changes be applied to the existing electoral wards listed below, in addition to the creation of a new Cosmeston electoral ward:

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CosmestonStanwell

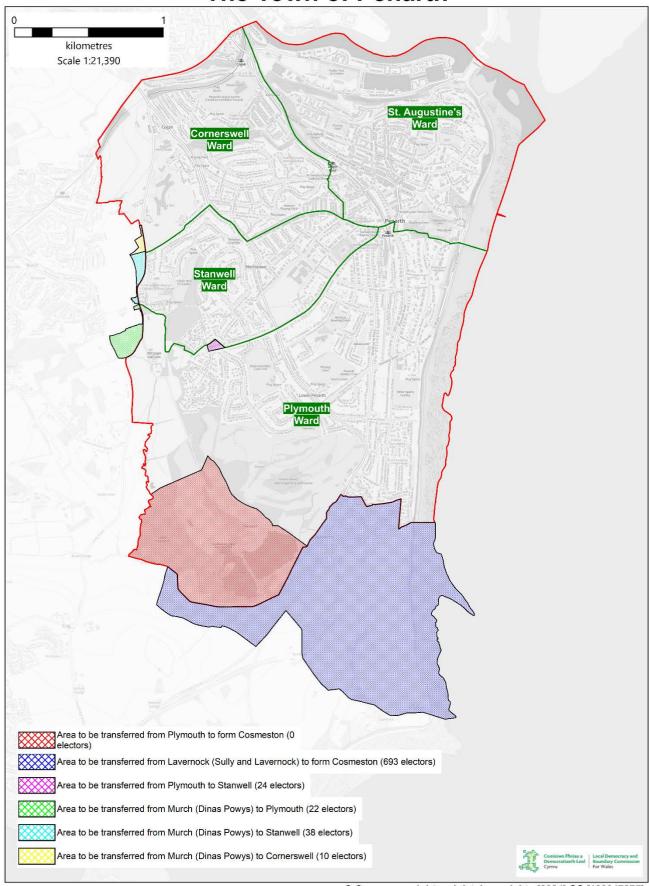
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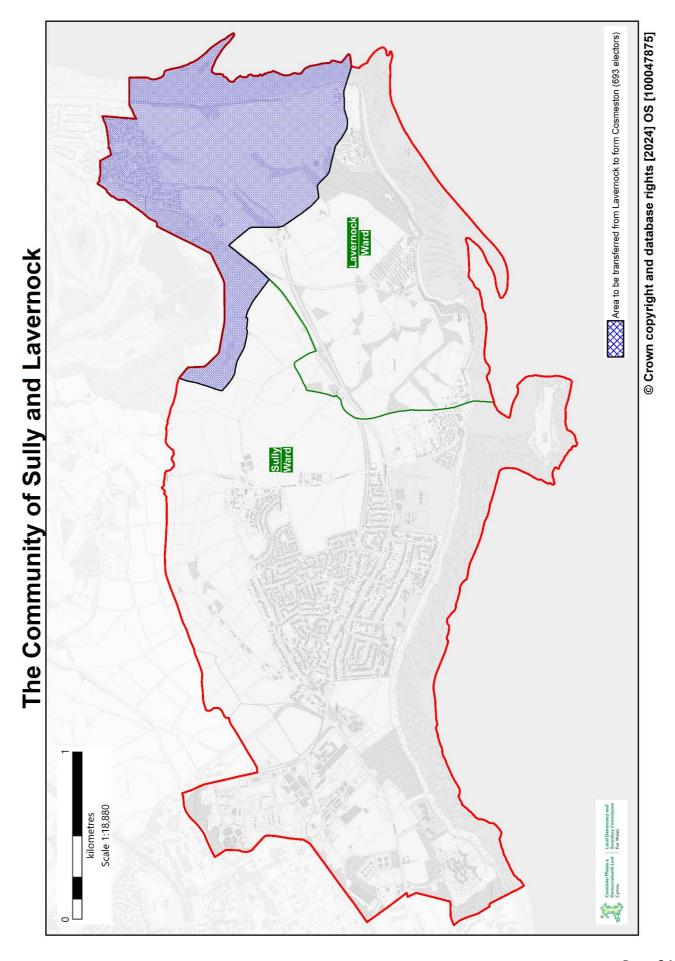
53. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

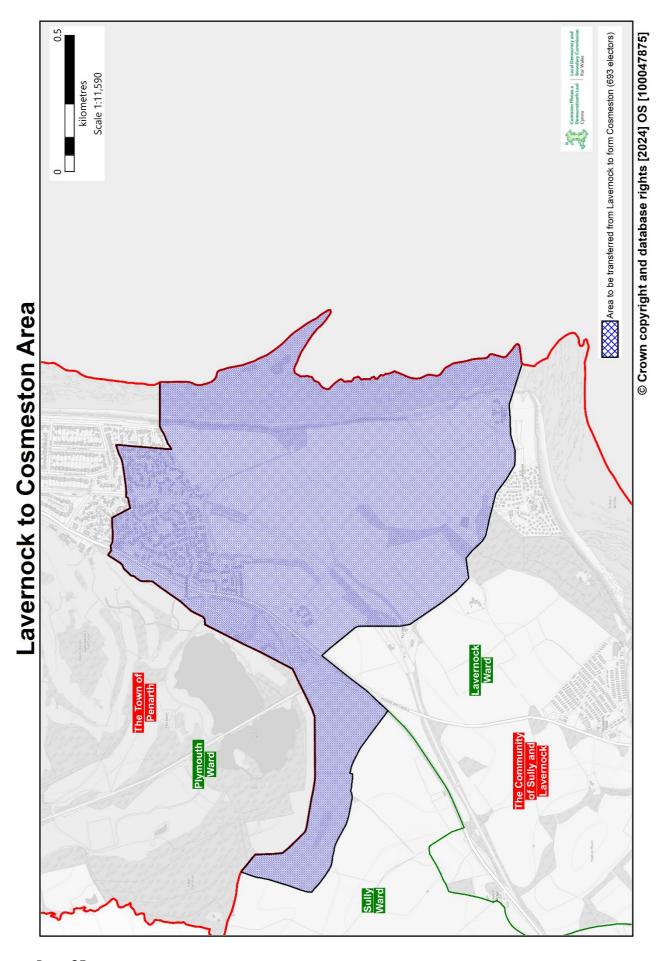
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|----------------|--|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|--|
|                |  | Exist       | ting                          |          |          | Recom       | mended                        |          |  |  |
| Wards          | Electors   | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |  |
| Cornerswell    | 4,119  | 2           | 2,060                         | 7%       | 4,129    | 2           | 2,065                         | 15%      |  |  |
| Cosmeston      | -  | -           | -                             | -        | 693      | 1           | 693                           | -61%     |  |  |
| Plymouth       | 4,677  | 2           | 2,339                         | 21%      | 4,675    | 2           | 2,338                         | 30%      |  |  |
| St Augustine's | 5,506  | 3           | 1,835                         | -5%      | 5,506    | 3           | 1,835                         | 2%       |  |  |
| Stanwell       | 3,464  | 2           | 1,732                         | -10%     | 3,526    | 2           | 1,763                         | -2%      |  |  |
|                | 17,766   | 9           | 1,933                         |          | 18,529   | 10          | 1,800                         |          |  |  |

54. The Commission recommends no change to the electoral warding arrangements for the Sully electoral ward which will retain its existing level of county council representation.

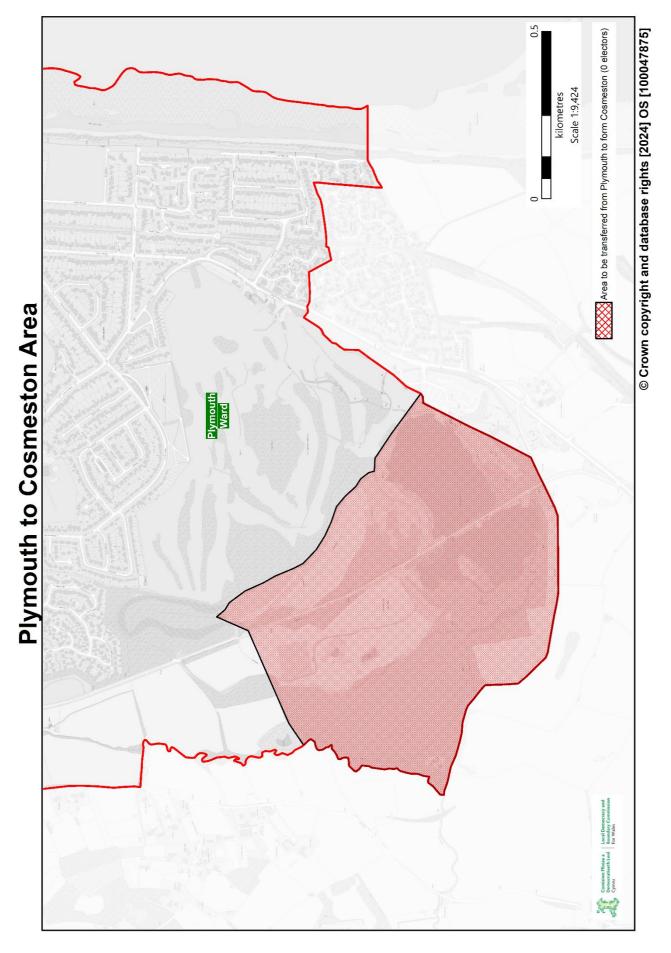
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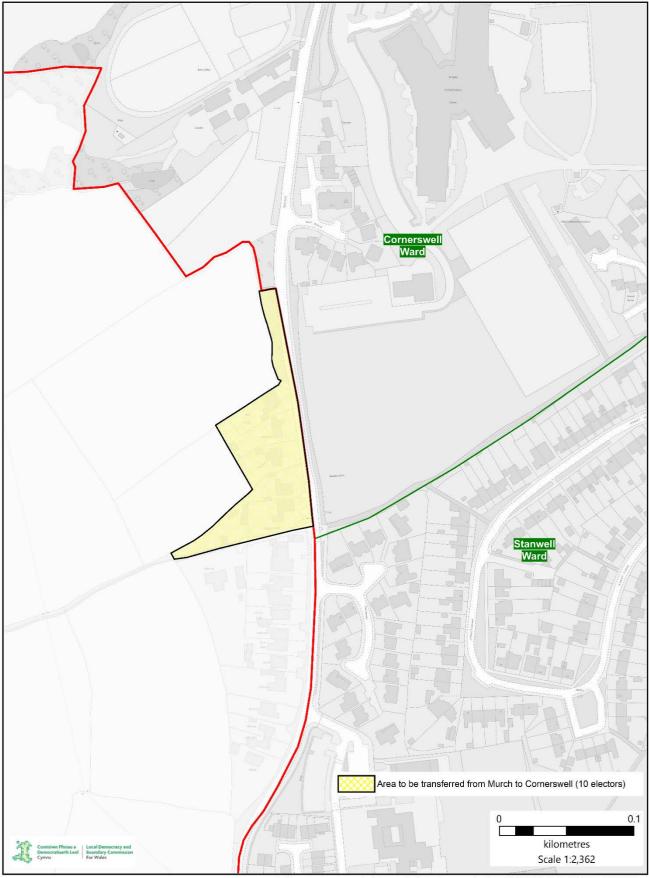


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# **Murch to Cornerswell Area**



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#### **LLANTWIT MAJOR**

55. The current town council arrangement in Llantwit Major consist of 4 wards: Boverton, North, South East and West. The town has a total electorate of 7,740 and is represented by 14 town councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Town Ward  | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Boverton   | 2,331      | 4                     |
| North      | 2,801      | 5                     |
| South East | 1,547      | 3                     |
| West       | 1,061      | 2                     |
| Total      | 7,740      | 14                    |

### Representations

- 56. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 3 representations concerning the Town of Llantwit Major from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), Llantwit Major Town Council, and the Vale of Glamorgan Council Plaid Cymru Group. The representations are published on the <a href="Commission's website">Commission's website</a>.
- 57. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 3 representations concerning the Town of Llantwit Major from: VOGCPWG, a Member of the Senedd, Llantwit Major Community Council, Llanmaes Community Council, and 16 residents of Llanmaes, which included a letter writing campaign with 19 submissions. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

#### Town ward boundary recommendations

- 58. The Commission recommends applying 2 changes to the existing town boundaries, which includes the transfer of areas between the following community areas:
  - West to South East

- Llanmaes to Boverton
- 59. The Commission recommends the transfer of the area surrounding the property of Rosedew Farm from the West ward to the South East ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the south of the ward and affects 10 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Llantwit Major Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow for the residents of the area known as 'The Walled Gardens' to be correctly included within the South East ward. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 44 and in greater detail on the map on page 45.
- 60. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Llanmaes ward, which is currently within the Community of Llanmaes to the Boverton ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north-east of the ward and affects 5 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Llantwit Major Town Council and supported by VOGCPWG during the initial consultation period to allow for the area that lies between the existing Boverton ward and the Northern Access Road to be included within the Boverton ward and to provide a clearer boundary between the 2 areas. The Commission acknowledges the representations received in opposition to the Northern Access Road boundary re-alignment, however, the proposal utilises a main road to provide a clearer boundary between the areas and conforms to elements of the representations received that opposed any combination of Llanmaes with Llantwit Major. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 44 and in greater detail on the map on page 46.

61. As a result of these recommendations the electorate within the Town of Llantwit Major will increase to 7,745. With 5 electors transferring to Llantwit Major from the Community of Llanmaes.

#### **Recommended Names**

- 62. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English Town name of **Llantwit Major**, and the existing Welsh Town name of **Llanilltud Fawr** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 63. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Boverton**, and the existing Welsh name of **Trebefered** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Communities) Order 2010.
- 64. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **North**, and the existing Welsh name of **Gogledd** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Communities) Order 2010.
- 65. Furthermore, the Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **South East**, and the existing Welsh name of **De-ddwyrain** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Communities) Order 2010.
- 66. Finally, the Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **West**, and the existing Welsh name of **Gorllewin** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Communities) Order 2010.

#### **Consequential Changes**

#### **Town Council electoral arrangements**

- 67. The recommended town council arrangements in Llantwit Major would consist of 4 wards: Boverton, North, South East, and West. The town is recommended to have a total electorate of 7,745 and be represented by 15 town councillors.
- 68. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to town council electoral arrangements that would occur following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the town council can be seen below:

|               |   |       | Llantw | it Major Tov | wn Council ( | Mixed)                   |                               |                  |
|---------------|---|-------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
|               |   | Exist | ing    |              | Recommended  |                          |                               |                  |
| Wards         | Community per Variance Electors Councillors Councillor (TC) |       |        |              | Electors     | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(TC) |
| Boverton      | 2,331   | 4     | 583    | 5%           | 2,336        | 5                        | 467                           | -10%             |
| North         | 2,801   | 5     | 560    | 1%           | 2,801        | 5                        | 560                           | 8%               |
| South<br>East | 1,547   | 3     | 516    | -7%          | 1,557        | 3                        | 519                           | 1%               |
| West          | 1,061   | 2     | 531    | -4%          | 1,051        | 2                        | 526                           | 2%               |
|               | 7,740   | 14    | 553    |              | 7,745        | 15                       | 516                           |                  |

The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Town of Llantwit Major would be entitled to a council of 39 members which would improve the county wide variance, however, the Commission has recommended a council membership increase of only 1 member due to the need to provide for effective and convenient local government, an increase of a single member

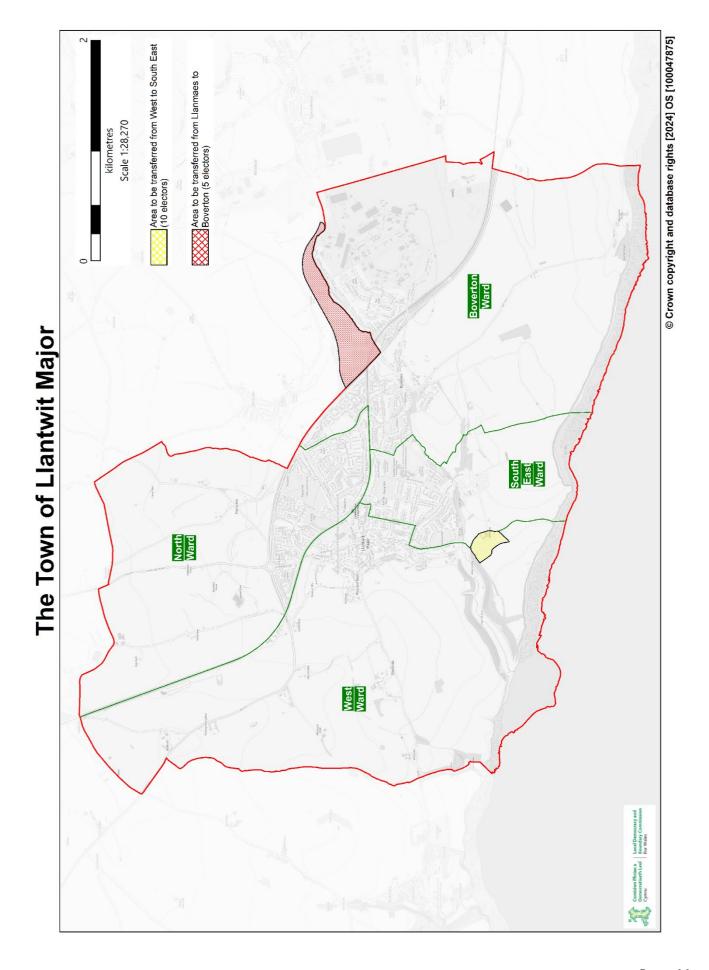
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was also recommended by Llantwit Major Town Council. The Commission is of the view that a town council of 39 members would be unwieldly and not reflective of the representations received. The Commission acknowledges the representations received in opposition to the Northern Access Road boundary realignment, however, the proposal utilises a main road to provide a clearer boundary between the areas and conforms to elements of the representations received that opposed any combination of Llanmaes with Llantwit Major.

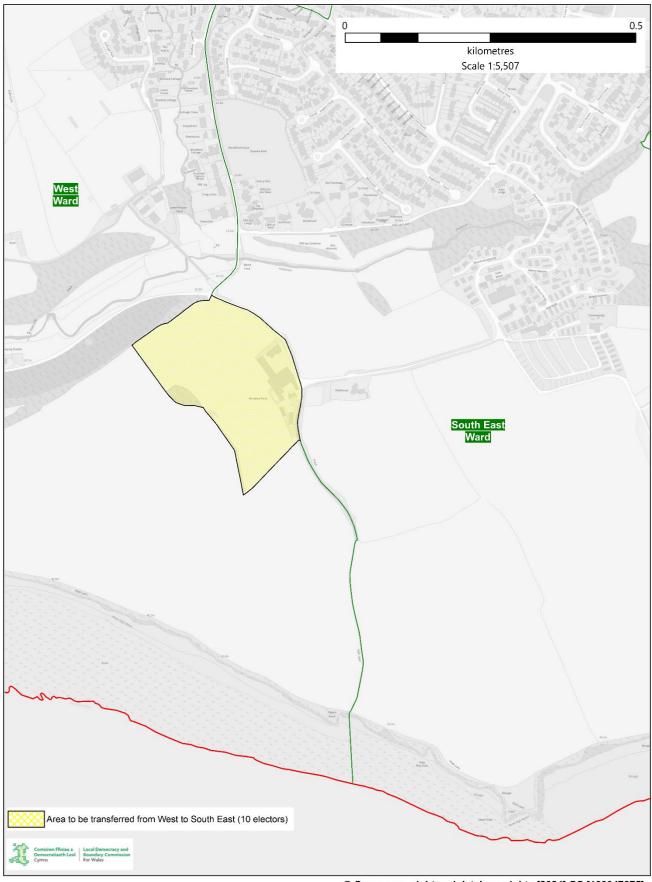
### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 69. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 70. As a consequence of the recommended changes to the warding arrangements within Llantwit Major, and the recommended changes to the Community of Llanmaes with another neighbouring community on page 123, the Commission recommends that the electoral ward of Llantwit Major is made up of the Community of Llantwit Major.
- 71. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

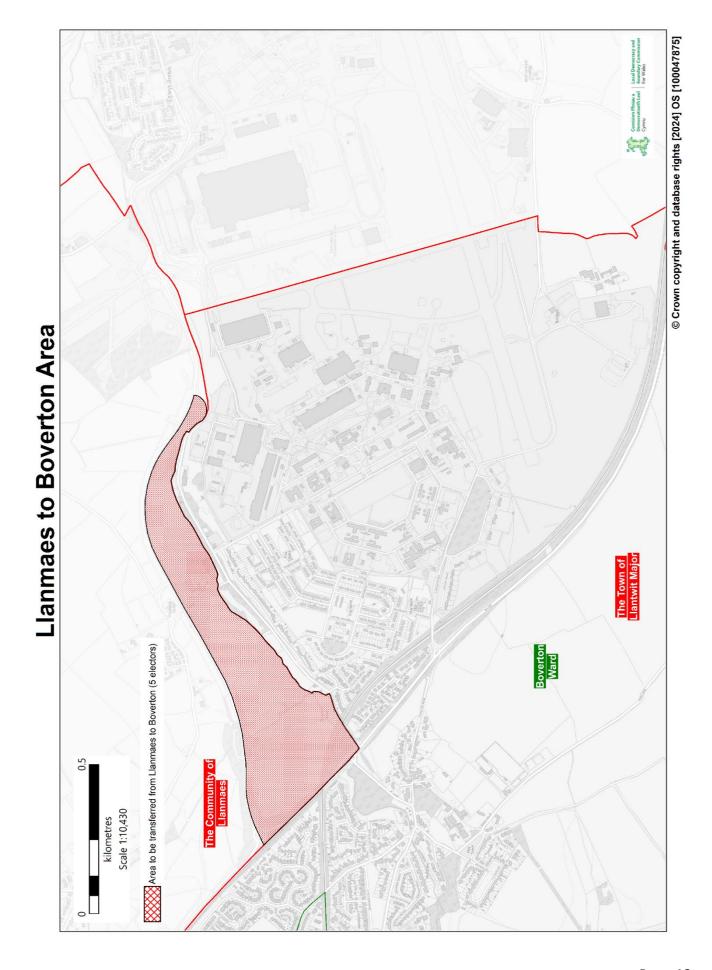
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|----------------|----------|--|-------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|
|                |          | Existing Recommended                                 |                               |          |          |             |                               |          |  |  |  |  |
| Wards          | Electors | Councillors  | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |  |  |  |
| Llantwit Major | 8,094    | 4  | 2,024                         | 5%       | 7,745    | 4           | 1,936                         | 8%       |  |  |  |  |
|                | 8,094    | 4  | 1,933                         |          | 7,745    | 4           | 1,800                         |          |  |  |  |  |



# West to South East Area



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#### **COWBRIDGE WITH LLANBLETHIAN**

72. The current town council arrangements in Cowbridge with Llanblethian consist of 4 wards: Aberthin, Cowbridge, Llanblethian East, and Llanblethian West. The town has a total electorate of 3,746 and is represented by 15 town councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Town Ward         | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Aberthin          | 370        | 2                     |
| Cowbridge         | 1,190      | 5                     |
| Llanblethian East | 1,053      | 4                     |
| Llanblethian West | 1,133      | 4                     |
| Total             | 3,746      | 15                    |

#### Representations

- 73. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 5 representations concerning the Town of Cowbridge with Llanblethian from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council, Penllyn Community Council, Llanfair Community Council, and a County Councillor for the Cowbridge ward. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 74. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 8 representations concerning the Town of Cowbridge with Llanblethian from: VOGCPWG, Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council, Llanfair Community Council, Penllyn Community Council, and 4 residents. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

#### Town ward boundary recommendations

- 75. The Commission recommends applying 5 changes to the existing town boundaries, which includes the creation of new community wards for Cowbridge North, Cowbridge Central and Llanblethian and the transfer of areas between the following community wards:
  - Penllyn to Cowbridge North
  - Llanblethian West to Cowbridge North
  - Llanblethian West to Cowbridge Central

- Llanblethian East to Cowbridge Central
- Llanblethian East to Llanblethian
- 76. The Commission recommends the transfer of the area known as Darren Farm from the Penllyn ward, which is currently within the Community of Penllyn, to the recommended Cowbridge North ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north of the ward and affects 16 electors. The Commission recommends extending the boundary as proposed in the Draft Proposals Report to also include a neighbouring field to the west which will form part of the proposed Darren Farm development. This proposal was submitted by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council and the VOGCPWG at the initial consultation stage. Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council also requested to extend the northern boundary to include properties on the other side of the A48. However, the Commission is of the view that the A48 provides for a clear and well defined boundary and the recommendation retains St Frynach's Church within Penllyn as previously requested. Penllyn Community Council supported the Draft Proposals for their community. The Commission is of the view that the recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government whilst providing a clear and well defined boundary. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 51 and in greater detail on the map on page 52.

- 77. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Llanblethian West ward to the recommended Cowbridge North ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north-east of the community ward and affects 605 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the north western area of Cowbridge to be combined with Darren Farm to form a new ward and to provide a clearer and well-defined boundary between for the north western Cowbridge area. The Commission received 1 representation from a resident who requested that the Bowman's Way area remain in Llanblethian. However, the Commission agrees with the original proposal submitted by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council at the initial consultation stage to form wards for Cowbridge North and Llanblethian. The Commission also received 1 representation from VOGCPWG suggesting the name of Cowbridge North for the proposed Cowbridge North West ward. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 51 and in greater detail on the map on page 53.
- 78. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Llanblethian West ward to the recommended Cowbridge Central ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the east of the ward and affects 190 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council during the initial consultation period to allow the area that forms part of the Town of Cowbridge to combine with the existing Cowbridge ward to form the recommended Cowbridge Central ward and provides a clearer and well-defined boundary for the central Cowbridge area. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 51 and in greater detail on the map on page 54.
- 79. The Commission further recommends the transfer of part of the Llanblethian East ward to the recommended Cowbridge Central ward. This involves the transfer of the majority of the existing Llanblethian East ward and affects 997 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council during the initial consultation period to create new wards with more clearly defined boundaries that reflect the existing and future developments within the town council area. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 51 and in greater detail on the map on page 55.
- 80. Finally, the Commission recommends that the remainder of the Llanblethian East and Llanblethian West wards be combined to form the recommended Llanblethian ward. This involves the transfer of the south western part of the Llanblethian East ward and affects 56 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council during the initial consultation period to create new wards with more clearly defined boundaries that reflect the development of the town council area. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 51 and in greater detail on the map on page 56.
- 81. As a result of these recommendations the electorate within the Town of Cowbridge with Llanblethian will increase to 3,762. With 16 electors transferring to Cowbridge with Llanblethian from the Community of Penllyn.

### **Recommended Names**

82. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends retaining the English community name of **Cowbridge with Llanblethian** and the Welsh community name **of Y Bont-faen gyda Llanfleiddan** as prescribed in the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) 2021 Order.

- 83. The Commission also recommends the new English community ward name of **Cowbridge North** as recommended by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council and the Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group, and the Welsh community ward name of **Gogledd y Bont-faen** as recommended by Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 84. The Commission also recommends the new English community ward name of **Cowbridge Central**, and the Welsh community ward name of **Canol y Bont-faen** as recommended by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council and agreed by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 85. The Commission Commission also recommends the new English community ward name of **Llanblethian** as recommended by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council, and the Welsh community ward name of **Llanfleiddan** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 86. Finally, as a result of these recommendations, the Commission recommends retaining the existing single name of **Aberthin**, as recommended by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council. The Welsh Language Commissioner agrees with the single name.

#### **Consequential Changes**

#### **Town Council electoral arrangements**

- 87. The recommended town council arrangements in the revised Cowbridge with Llanblethian town council would consist of 4 wards: Aberthin, Cowbridge Central, Cowbridge North, and Llanblethian. The town council is recommended to have a total electorate of 3,762 and be represented by 15 town councillors.
- 88. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to town council electoral arrangements that would occur following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the town council can be seen on below:

|                      |          | Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council (Mixed) |                               |                  |             |                          |                               |                  |  |
|----------------------|----------|--|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--|
|                      |          | Existi   | ng                            |                  | Recommended |                          |                               |                  |  |
| Wards                | Electors | Community<br>Councillors                         | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(TC) | Electors    | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(TC) |  |
| Aberthin             | 370      | 2  | 185                           | -26%             | 370         | 2                        | 185                           | -26%             |  |
| Cowbridge            | 1,190    | 5  | 238                           | -5%              | -           | -                        | -                             | -                |  |
| Llanblethian<br>East | 1,053    | 4  | 263                           | 5%               | -           | -                        | -                             | -                |  |
| Llanblethian<br>West | 1,133    | 4  | 283                           | 13%              | -           | -                        | -                             | -                |  |
| Cowbridge<br>Central | -        | -  | -                             | -                | 2,377       | 6                        | 396                           | 58%              |  |
| Cowbridge<br>North   | -        | -  | -                             | -                | 621         | 4                        | 155                           | -38%             |  |
| Llanblethian         | -        | -  | -                             | -                | 394         | 3                        | 131                           | -48%             |  |
|                      | 3,746    | 15   | 250                           |                  | 3,762       | 15                       | 251                           |                  |  |

The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Town of Cowbridge with Llanblethian would be entitled to a council of 19 members which would improve the county wide variance, however, the Commission has recommended a council membership of 15 members as recommended by Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council due to the need to provide for effective and convenient local government. The Commission is of the view that a town council of 15 members

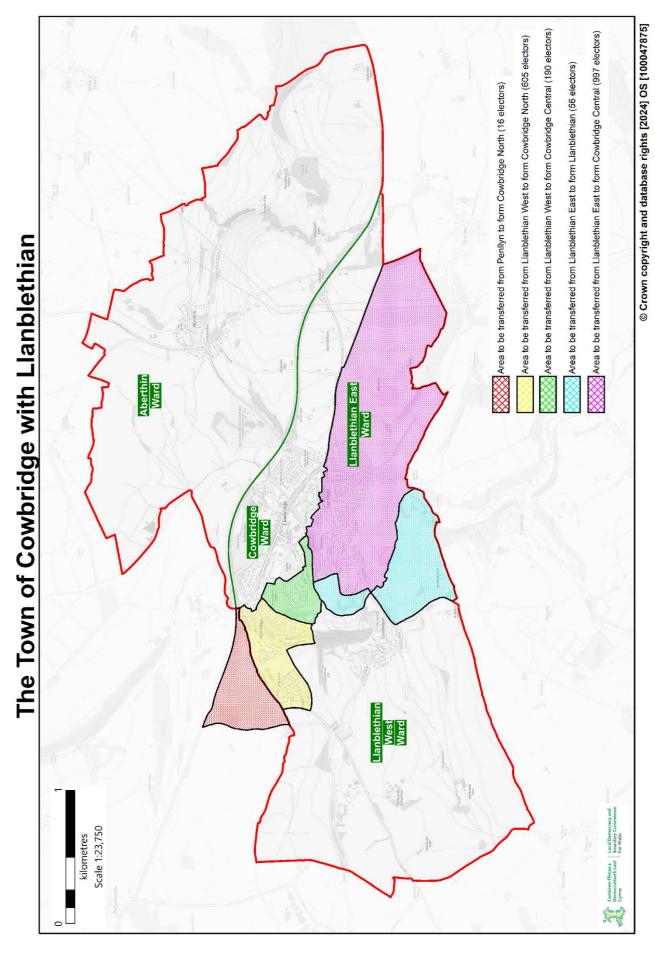
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provides for appropriate levels of variance across the town council area and is reflective of the representations received.

### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 89. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 90. As a consequence of the recommended changes to the warding arrangements within Cowbridge, the Commission also recommends the same changes be applied to the existing electoral ward of Cowbridge:
- 91. As the Community of Llanfair is currently a component part of the Cowbridge electoral ward, the Commission has considered the consequential electoral arrangements for Llanfair which are considered on page 123.
- 92. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

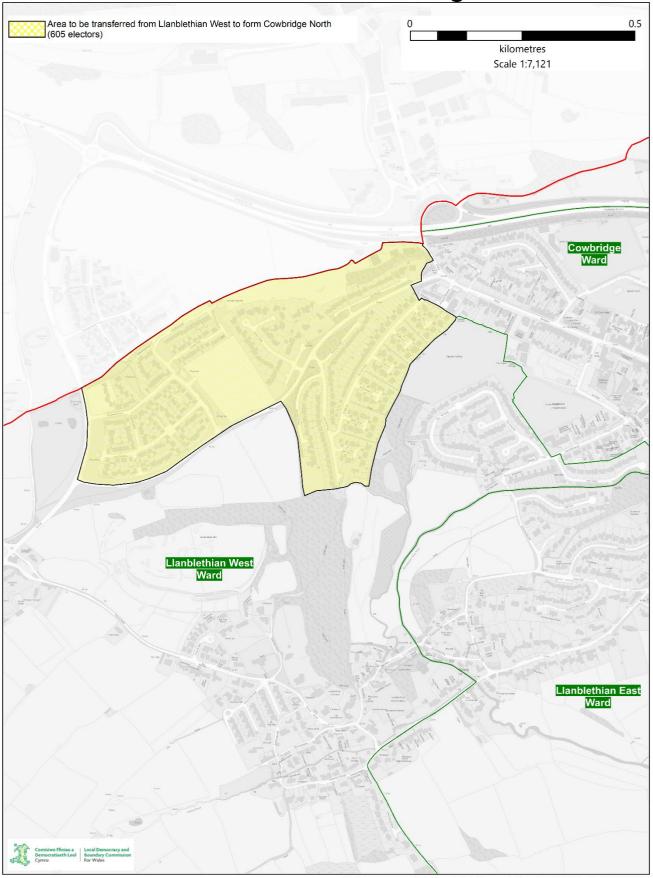
|           |          | Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements |                       |      |       |   |       |          |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------|----------|--|-----------------------|------|-------|---|-------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|
|           |          | Existing Recommended                                 |                       |      |       |   |       |          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wards     | Electors | Councillors  | Electors per Electors |      |       |   |       | Variance |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cowbridge | 5,140    | 3  | 1,713                 | -11% | 5,163 | 3 | 1,721 | -4%      |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | 5,140    | 3  | 1,933                 |      | 5,163 | 3 | 1,800 |          |  |  |  |  |  |



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Penllyn to Cowbridge North Area kilometres Scale 1:8,313 Area to be transferred from Penllyn to form Cowbridge North (16 electors) The Community of Penllyn The Town of © Crown copyright and database rights [2024] OS [100047875]

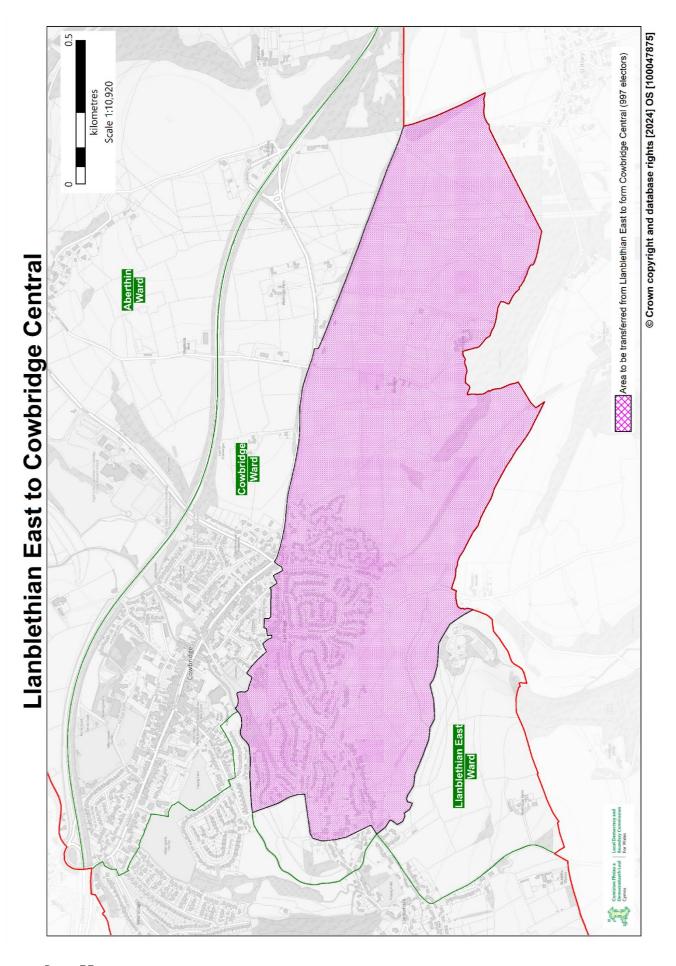
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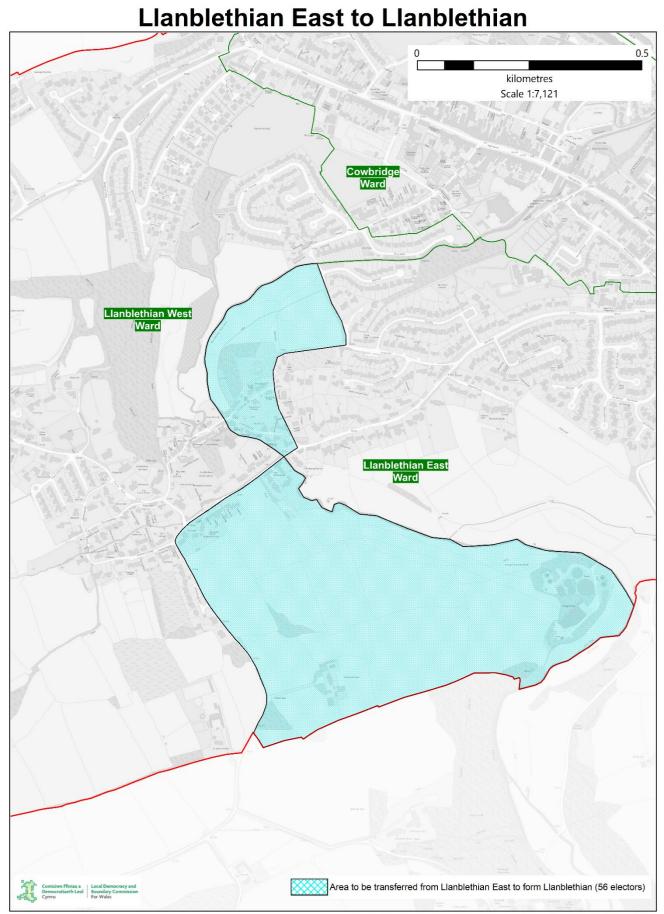
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Llanblethian West to Cowbridge Central Area to be transferred from Llanblethian West to form Cowbridge Central (190 electors) 0.5 kilometres Scale 1:7,121 Llanblethian West Llanblethian East

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#### **PENLLYN**

93. The current community council arrangements in Penllyn consist of 3 wards: Llansannor, Penllyn, and Ystradowen. The community has a total electorate of 1,394 and is represented by 11 town councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Town Ward  | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Llansannor | 158        | 2                     |
| Penllyn    | 510        | 4                     |
| Ystradowen | 726        | 5                     |
| Total      | 1,394      | 11                    |

#### Representations

- 94. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 5 representations concerning the Community of Penllyn from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council, Penllyn Community Council, Welsh St Donats Community Council and a County Councillor for the Cowbridge ward. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 95. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 3 representations concerning the Community of Penllyn from: VOGCPWG, Penllyn Community Council, and Welsh St Donats Community Council. The representations are published on the <a href="Commission's website">Commission's website</a>.

#### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 96. The Commission recommends applying 4 changes to the existing community boundaries, which includes the transfer of areas between the following community areas:
  - Penllyn to Cowbridge North

Ystradowen to Llansannor

Penllyn to Llansannor

- Welsh St Donats to Ystradowen
- 97. The Commission recommends the transfer of the area known as Darren Farm from the Penllyn ward, which is currently within the Community of Penllyn, to the recommended Cowbridge North ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the south of the ward and affects 16 electors. The Commission recommends extending the boundary as proposed in the Draft Proposals Report to also include a neighbouring field to the west which will form part of the proposed Darren Farm development. This proposal was submitted by Cowbridge Town Council, who also requested to extend the northern boundary to include properties on the other side of the A48. However, the Commission is of the view that the A48 provides for a clear and well defined boundary and the recommendation retains St Frynach's Church within Penllyn as previously requested. Penllyn Community Council supported the Draft Proposals for their community. The Commission is of the view that the recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government whilst providing a clear and well defined boundary. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 60 and in greater detail on the map on page 61.
- 98. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Penllyn ward to the Llansannor ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north-east of the ward and affects 2 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Penllyn Community Council to allow the properties located in the area recommended to be transferred to have a direct route of access to their ward and to provide a clearer and well-defined boundary between Penllyn and Llansannor. The Commission agrees that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 60 and in greater detail on the map on page 62.

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- 99. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Ystradowen ward to the Llansannor ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the East of the ward and affects 78 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Penllyn Community Council at the initial consultation stage to provide a clearer and more well-defined boundary for the Llansannor area. The Commission agrees that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 60 and in greater detail on the map on page 63.
- 100. Finally, the Commission recommends the transfer of part of the Welsh St Donats ward, the Highgrove estate, which is within the Community of Welsh St Donats to the Ystradowen ward in the Community of Penllyn. This involves the transfer of the Highgrove estate area and affects 23 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Penllyn Community Council and supported by Welsh St Donats Community Council at the initial consultation stage. To transfer the area between the communities provides more clearly defined boundaries that reflect the existing developments within the area. The Commission agrees that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 60 and in greater detail on the map on page 64.
- 101. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the Community of Penllyn will increase to 1,401. With 23 electors transferring to Penllyn from the Community of Welsh St Donats and 16 electors being transferred to the Town of Cowbridge with Llanblethian.

#### **Recommended Names**

- 102. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends retaining the existing English community name of **Penllyn**, and the Welsh community name of **Pen-llin** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) 2021 Order.
- 103. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Penllyn**, and the Welsh community ward name of **Pen-llin** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) 2021 Order.
- 104. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends retaining English community ward name of **Llansannor** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Llansanwyr** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 105. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends retaining the single community ward name of **Ystradowen**, the Welsh Language Commissioner agrees with the recommended name.

#### **Consequential Changes**

### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 106. The recommended community council arrangements in the revised Penllyn community council would consist of 3 wards: Llansannor, Penllyn, and Ystradowen. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 1,401 and be represented by 9 community councillors.
- 107. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to community council electoral arrangements that would occur following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community council can be seen on page 59:

|            |          |                          | Penll                         | yn Commun        | ity Council (I | Rural)                   |                               |                  |
|------------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
|            | Existing |                          |                               |                  |                | Recomm                   | nended                        |                  |
| Wards      | Electors | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors       | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |
| Llansannor | 158      | 2                        | 79                            | -38%             | 238            | 2                        | 119                           | -7%              |
| Penllyn    | 510      | 4                        | 128                           | 1%               | 492            | 3                        | 123                           | -3%              |
| Ystradowen | 726      | 5                        | 145                           | 15%              | 671            | 4                        | 134                           | 5%               |
|            | 1,394    | 11                       | 127                           |                  | 1,401          | 9                        | 155                           |                  |

The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Penllyn would be entitled to a council of 9 members which would improve the county wide variance, which the Commission has recommended. The Commission acknowledges the representation from Penllyn Community Council to retain their existing number of community councillors. However, the Commission recommends a Community Council of 9 members to reduce the number of co-opted councillors and vacant seats to provide for more effective and convenient local government.

#### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 108. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 109. As the Community of Penllyn is a component part of the existing Cowbridge electoral ward, the Commission has considered the consequential changes to Cowbridge on page 50.

The Community of Penllyn kilometres Scale 1:33,040 Area to be transferred from Penllyn to form Cowbridge North (16 Area to be transferred from Penllyn to Llansannor (2 electors) Area to be transferred from Ystradowen to Llansannor (78 Area to be transferred from Welsh St. Donats to Ystradowen (23

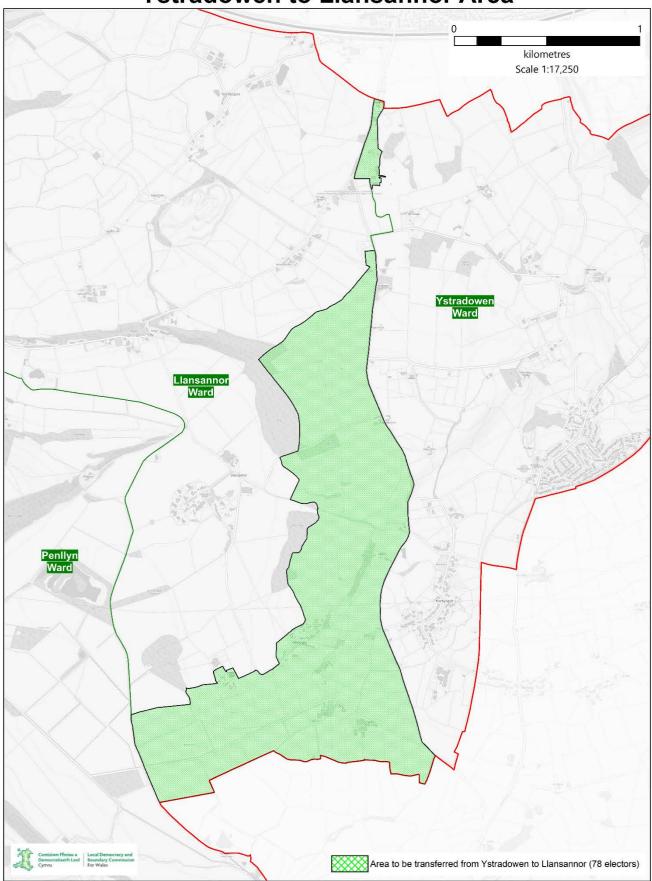
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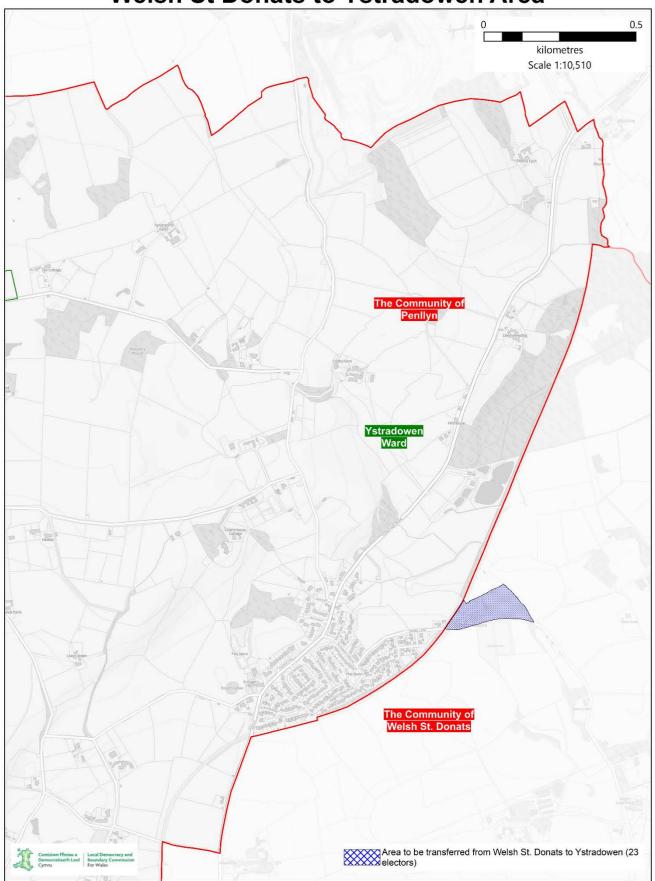
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# Ystradowen to Llansannor Area



### Welsh St Donats to Ystradowen Area



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#### **DINAS POWYS**

110. The current community council arrangements in Dinas Powys consist of 4 wards: Cross Common, Eastbrook, Murch, and Twyn. The community has a total electorate of 6,519 and is represented by 16 town councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Town Ward    | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|--------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Cross Common | 2,395      | 4                     |
| Eastbrook    | 1,322      | 4                     |
| Murch        | 1,379      | 4                     |
| Twyn         | 1,423      | 4                     |
| Total        | 6,519      | 16                    |

### Representations

- 111. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 5 representations concerning the Community of Dinas Powys from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), The Vale of Glamorgan Plaid Cymru Group, Dinas Powys Community Council, Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith Community Council, and a resident of Dinas Powys. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 112. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 6 representations concerning the Community of Dinas Powys from: VOGCPWG, A Member of the Senedd, Plaid Cymru Bro Morgannwg, Plaid Cymru Dinas Powys, Penarth District Conservative Group, and a resident of Dinas Powys. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

#### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 113. The Commission recommends applying 7 changes to the existing community boundaries, which includes the transfer of areas between the following community areas:
  - Cross Common to Murch
  - Cross Common to Twyn
  - Twyn to Cross Common
  - Michaelston to Eastbrook

- Murch to Stanwell
- Murch to Cornerswell
- Murch to Plymouth
- 114. The Commission recommends the transfer of the area known as the St Cyres development from the Cross Common ward to the Murch ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north-east of the ward and affects 339 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Dinas Powys Community Council at the initial consultation stage to allow the residents of the area to be included within the Murch ward to which the residents have clearer access. The Commission received 4 representations proposing alternative arrangements for Dinas Powys during the secondary consultation period. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government and provides residents with better access to their ward. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 68 and in greater detail on the map on page 69.
- 115. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Cross Common Ward to the Twyn ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the south of the ward and affects 488 electors. This recommendation was submitted by Dinas Powys Community Council at the initial consultation stage to re-align the boundary utilising the main road (A4055) to allow for a clearer boundary between the 2 wards. The Commission received 4 representations proposing alternative arrangements for Dinas Powys during the secondary consultation period. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for a Page 65

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- clearer boundary and improvements to effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 68 and in greater detail on the map on page 70.
- 116. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Twyn ward to the Cross Common ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the east of the ward and affects 21 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Dinas Powys Community Council at the initial consultation stage to re-align the boundary utilising the main road (A4055) to allow for a clearer boundary between the 2 wards. The Commission received 4 representations proposing alternative arrangements for Dinas Powys during the secondary consultation period. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for a clearer boundary and improvements to effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 68 and in greater detail on the map on page 71.
- 117. The Commission further recommends the transfer of part of the Michaelston ward, which is part of the Community of Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith to the Eastbrook ward of the Community of Dinas Powys. This involves the transfer of the area to the south of the Michaelston ward and affects 86 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Dinas Powys Community Council at the initial consultation stage to provide a clearer and more well-defined boundary for the Eastbrook ward due developments in the area expanding outside of the community boundary. The Commission received 4 representations proposing alternative arrangements for Dinas Powys during the secondary consultation period. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government whilst providing clearer boundaries. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 68 and in greater detail on the map on page 72.
- 118. As mentioned on pages 29 and 30 above and maps on pages 38, 39 and 40, the Commission recommends the transfer of a number of properties along Sully Road from the Murch ward of Town of Dinas Powys into the Stanwell, Cornerswell and Plymouth wards of the Town of Penarth. This recommendation was received from a resident of Dinas Powys at the initial consultation stage who recommended that the properties along Sully Road be transferred to Penarth due to having stronger links to the Town of Penarth than to the rest of Dinas Powys. The Commission received 4 representations proposing alternative arrangements for Dinas Powys during the secondary consultation period. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. This sees the electorate of the Murch ward be reduced by 70 electors in total. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 68 and in greater detail on the maps on pages 73, 74 and 75.
- 119. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the Community of Dinas Powys will increase to 6,535. With 86 electors transferring from Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith, and 70 electors transferring from Dinas Powys to Penarth.

#### **Recommended Names**

- 120. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends retaining the existing Single community name of **Dinas Powys**, as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 121. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends retaining the existing single community ward name of **Cross Common**, the Welsh Language Commissioner agrees with the recommended name.
- 122. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing single community ward name of **Eastbrook**, the Welsh Language Commissioner agrees with the recommended name.
- 123. The Commission further recommends retaining the existing single community ward name of **Murch**, the Welsh Language Commissioner agrees with the recommended name.

124. Finally, the Commission recommends the existing single community ward name of **Twyn**, the Welsh Language Commissioner agrees with the recommended name.

#### **Consequential Changes**

#### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 125. The recommended community council arrangements in the revised Dinas Powys community council would consist of 4 wards: Cross Common, Eastbrook, Murch, and Twyn. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 6,535 and be represented by 16 community councillors.
- 126. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to community council electoral arrangements that would occur following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community council can be seen below:

|              |          |                          | Dinas P                       | owys Comm        | unity Counc | il (Mixed)               |                               |                  |
|--------------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
|              | Existing |                          |                               |                  | Recommended |                          |                               |                  |
| Wards        | Electors | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors    | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |
| Cross Common | 2,395    | 4                        | 599                           | 47%              | 1,589       | 4                        | 397                           | -3%              |
| Eastbrook    | 1,322    | 4                        | 331                           | -19%             | 1,408       | 4                        | 352                           | -14%             |
| Murch        | 1,379    | 4                        | 345                           | -15%             | 1,648       | 4                        | 412                           | 1%               |
| Twyn         | 1,423    | 4                        | 356                           | -13%             | 1,890       | 4                        | 473                           | 16%              |
|              | 6,519    | 16                       | 407                           |                  | 6,535       | 16                       | 408                           |                  |

The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Dinas Powys would be entitled to a council of 33 members which would improve the county wide variance, the Commission has recommended to retain the existing membership of 16 members. The Commission is of the view that a town council of 33 members would be unwieldly and not reflective of the representations received.

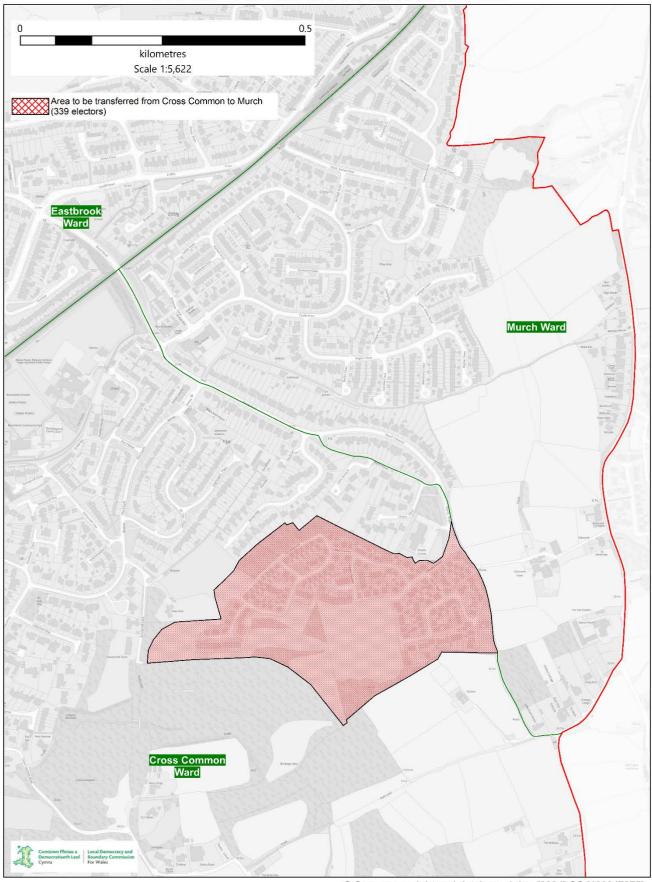
#### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 127. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 128. As the Community of Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith, which the Commission recommends changes to further in this report, is a component part of the existing Dinas Powys electoral ward, the Commission has considered the consequential changes to Dinas Powys electoral ward. The Commission recommends that the electoral ward of Dinas Powys be made up of the Community of Dinas Powys. The consequential electoral changes regarding Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith are considered on page 78.
- 129. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

|             |                      | Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements |                               |          |          |             |                               |          |  |  |  |  |
|-------------|----------------------|--|-------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|
|             | Existing Recommended |  |                               |          |          |             |                               |          |  |  |  |  |
| Wards       | Electors             | Councillors  | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |  |  |  |
| Dinas Powys | 6,797                | 4  | 1,699                         | -12%     | 6,535    | 4           | 1,634                         | -9%      |  |  |  |  |
|             | 6,797                | 4  | 1,933                         |          | 6,535    | 4           | 1,800                         |          |  |  |  |  |

**The Community of Dinas Powys** Area to be transferred from Cross Common to Murch (339 electors) kilometres Area to be transferred from Cross Common to Twyn (488 electors) Scale 1:22,550 Area to be transferred from Twyn to Cross Common (21 electors) rea to be transferred from Michaelston-le-Pit to Eastbrook (86 electors) Area to be transferred from Murch to Stanwell (38 electors) rea to be transferred from Murch to Cornerswell (10 electors) Area to be transferred from Murch to Plymouth (22 electors)

# **Cross Common to Murch Area**



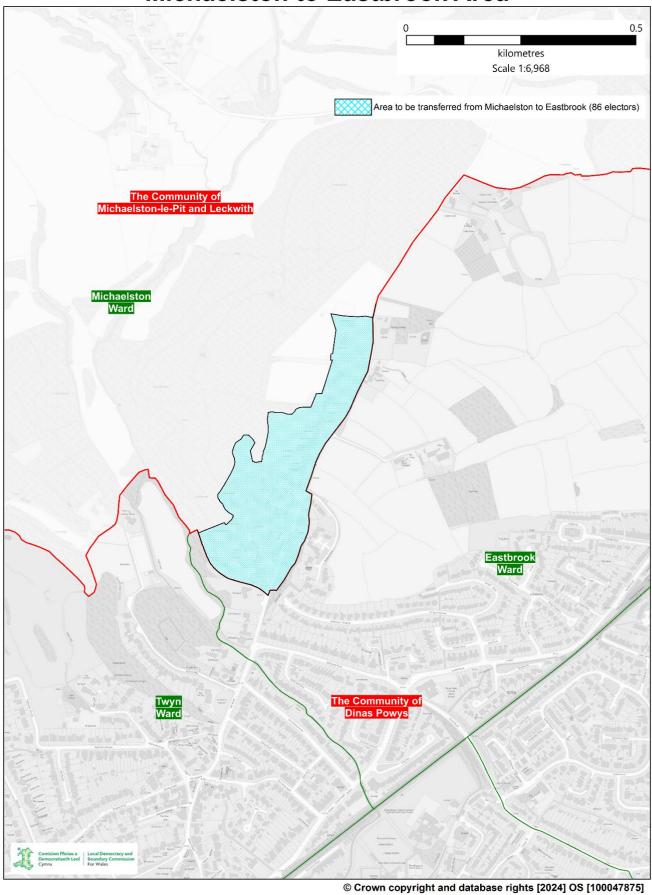
**Cross Common to Twyn Area** kilometres Scale 1:13,240 Area to be transferred from Cross Common to Twyn (488 electors)

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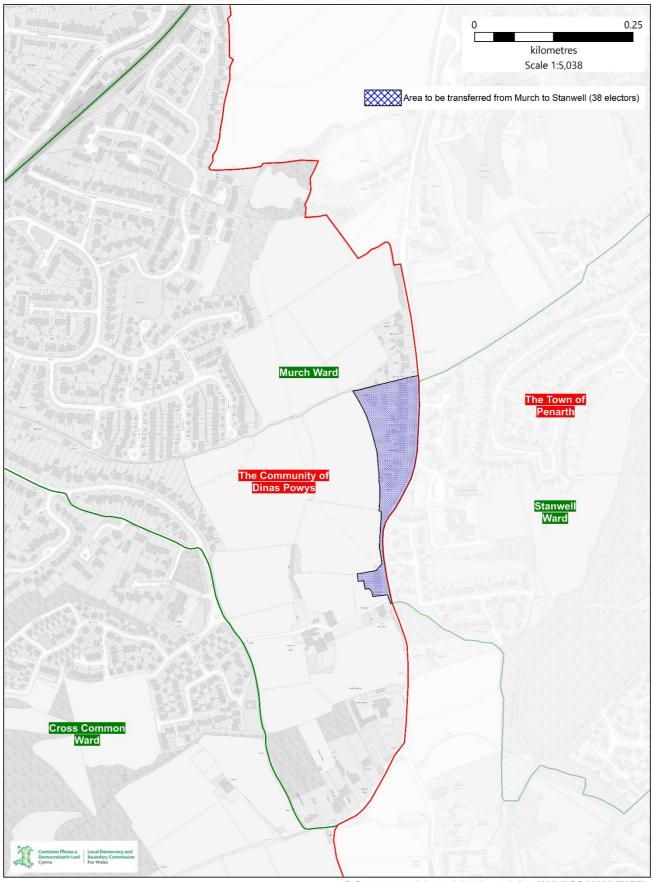
Twyn to Cross Common Area kilometres Scale 1:7,471 Area to be transferred from Twyn to Cross Common (21 electors)

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# Michaelston to Eastbrook Area



### **Murch to Stanwell Area**



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# **Murch to Cornerswell Area** 0.25 kilometres Scale 1:5,038 Area to be transferred from Murch to Cornerswell (10 electors) Murch Ward he Community of Dinas Powys The Town of Penarth

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**Murch to Plymouth Area** kilometres Scale 1:4,728 Murch Ward Dinas Powys The Town of Penarth Area to be transferred from Murch to Plymouth (22 electors)

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#### **LLANDOUGH AND MICHAELSTON-LE-PIT AND LECKWITH**

130. The current community council arrangements in Llandough consist of a total electorate of 1,642 and is represented by 10 community councillors.

| Community Ward | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Llandough      | 1,642      | 10                    |
| Total          | 1,642      | 10                    |

131. The current community arrangements in Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith consist of 2 wards: Michaelston, and Leckwith. The community has a total electorate of 278 and is represented by 7 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community Ward | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Leckwith       | 75         | 2                     |
| Michaelston    | 203        | 5                     |
| Total          | 278        | 7                     |

#### Representations

- 132. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 4 representations concerning the Communities of Llandough and Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), Dinas Powys Community Council, Llandough Community Council, and Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith Community Council. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 133. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 13 representations concerning the Communities of Llandough and Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith from: VOGCPWG, Llandough Community Council, Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith Community Council, Plaid Cymru Dinas Powys, 1 County Councillor, and 8 residents. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

#### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 134. The Commission recommends applying 2 changes to the existing community boundaries, which includes the transfer of areas between the following community areas:
  - Michaelston to Eastbrook

- Creation of a new community known as Llandough and Cwrtyrala
- 135. The Commission recommends the transfer of part of the Michaelston ward, which is part of the Community of Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith to the Eastbrook ward of the Community of Dinas Powys. This involves the transfer of the area to the south of the ward and affects 86 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Dinas Powys Community Council at the initial consultation stage to provide a clearer and more well-defined boundary for the Eastbrook ward due developments in the area expanding outside of the community boundary. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government whilst providing appropriate boundaries. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 79 and in greater detail on the map on page 80.
- 136. The Commission also recommends the abolition of the communities of Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith, and Llandough and utilise the 2 areas to form the recommended Community of Llandough and Cwrtyrala. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG at the initial consultation stage. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The

- Commission recommends utilising the revised community ward boundaries of Michaelston and Leckwith, and community boundaries of Llandough to create community wards in the recommended community. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 79.
- 137. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the new Community of Llandough and Cwrtyrala would be 1,834, with 86 electors transferring from the existing Michaelston ward to the Eastbrook ward of the Community of Dinas Powys.

#### **Recommended Names**

- 138. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community name of **Llandough and Cwrtyrala** with the Welsh community name of **Llandochau a Chwrtyrala** as recommended by the VOGCPWG. The Welsh Language Commissioner agreed with the recommended name and suggested the form of Cwrtyrala as a single word in order to differentiate from the Manor of the same name.
- 139. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English language community ward name of **Michaelston** and the Welsh community ward name of **Llanfihangel-y-Pwll** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 and as referred to in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Communities) Order 2010.
- 140. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English language community ward name of **Leckwith** and the Welsh community ward name of **Lecwydd** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 141. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing English language community ward name of **Llandough** and the Welsh community ward name of **Llandochau** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.

#### **Consequential Changes**

#### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 142. The recommended community council arrangements in the new Community of Llandough and Cwrtyrala would consist of 3 wards: Llandough, Leckwith, and Michaelston. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 1,834 and be represented by 8 community councillors.
- 143. The Commission is required to recommend electoral arrangements for the new community council that would be created following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community council can be seen below:

|             |          | Llandough and Cwrtyrala Community Council (Rural) |                               |                  |             |                          |                               |                  |  |  |  |
|-------------|----------|---|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
|             |          | Exist   | ing                           |                  | Recommended |                          |                               |                  |  |  |  |
| Wards       | Electors | Community<br>Councillors                          | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors    | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |  |  |  |
| Llandough   | 1,642    | 10  | 164                           | 45%              | 1,642       | 6                        | 274                           | 19%              |  |  |  |
| Leckwith    | 75       | 2   | 38                            | -66%             | 75          | 1                        | 75                            | -67%             |  |  |  |
| Michaelston | 203      | 5   | 41                            | -64%             | 117         | 1                        | 117                           | -49%             |  |  |  |
|             | 1,920    | 17  | 113                           |                  | 1,834       | 8                        | 229                           |                  |  |  |  |

The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Llandough and Cwrtyrala would be entitled to a council of 12 members which would improve the county wide variance, the Commission has recommended an overall membership of 8

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councillors. The Commission is of the view that a council of 8 members provides appropriate levels of variance across the community council and is in the interest of effective and convenient local government. The Council Size Policy submitted by VOGCPWG allows for the allocation of 1 community councillor each for the Michaelston and Leckwith wards, and the Commission is satisfied that the allocation of 6 councillors to the Llandough ward provides a level of variance that is within 25% of the community average and allows a fairer distribution of councillors across the community wards.

#### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 144. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 145. The Community of Michaelston-le-Pit and Leckwith is currently within the electoral ward of Dinas Powys, the Commission has considered the consequential changes to Dinas Powys on page 67. The Commission recommends that the electoral ward of Llandough is made up of the new Community of Llandough and Cwrtyrala.
- 146. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

|           |   | Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements |       |      |          |             |                               |          |  |  |  |
|-----------|---|--|-------|------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|
|           | Existing Recommended                                  |  |       |      |          |             |                               |          |  |  |  |
| Wards     | Electors per Electors Councillors Councillor Variance |  |       |      | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |  |  |
| Llandough | 1,642   | 1  | 1,642 | -15% | 1,834    | 1           | 1,834                         | 2%       |  |  |  |
|           | 1,642   | 1  | 1,933 |      | 1,834    | 1           | 1,800                         |          |  |  |  |

# The Community of Llandough and Cwrtyrala Area to be transferred from Michaelston to Eastbrook (86 electors) kilometres Scale 1:25,870 The Community of Llandough and Cwrtyrala Llandough

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# Michaelston to Eastbrook Area 0.5 kilometres Scale 1:8,160 Area to be transferred from Michaelston to Eastbrook (86 electors) The Community o The Community of Dinas Powys

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#### LLANCARFAN, ST NICHOLAS AND BONVILSTON AND WENVOE

147. The current community council arrangements in Llancarfan consist of 2 wards: Llancarfan, and Llantrithyd. The community has a total electorate of 640 and is represented by 10 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community Ward | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Llancarfan     | 463        | 7                     |
| Llantrithyd    | 177        | 3                     |
| Total          | 640        | 10                    |

148. The current community council arrangements in St Nicholas and Bonvilston consist of 2 wards: Bonvilston, and St Nicholas. The community has a total electorate of 908 and is represented by 10 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community Ward | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Bonvilston     | 396        | 4                     |
| St Nicholas    | 512        | 6                     |
| Total          | 908        | 10                    |

149. The current community council arrangements in Wenvoe consist of 2 wards: St Lythans, and Wenvoe. The community has a total electorate of 2,276 and is represented by 11 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community Ward | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|
| St Lythans     | 592        | 2                     |
| Wenvoe         | 1684       | 9                     |
| Total          | 2,276      | 11                    |

#### Representations

- 150. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 10 representations concerning the Communities of St Nicholas and Bonvilston, Llancarfan, Rhoose, and Wenvoe from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council, Llancarfan Community Council, Welsh St Donats Community Council, St Georges-super-Ely Community Council, a County Councillor for the Rhoose ward, Penmark Village Hall Committee, the East Aberthaw Community Partnership, and 2 residents of Rhoose. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 151. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 18 representations concerning the Communities of St Nicholas and Bonvilston, Llancarfan, Rhoose, and Wenvoe from: VOGCPWG, Llancarfan Community Council, St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council, Wenvoe Community Council, 4 County Councillors, 1 Political Group, and 9 residents. The representations also included two petitions opposing the transfer of St Lythans with 80 and 50 signatures respectively, and a letter writing campaign concerning Penmark with 18 submissions. The representations are published on the <a href="Commission's website">Commission's website</a>.

#### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 152. The Commission recommends applying 12 changes to the existing community boundaries including the creation of new community wards for 'Dyffryn' and 'Brooklands', which includes the transfer of areas between the following community areas:
  - St Georges-super-Ely to St Nicholas
  - St Lythans to St Nicholas
  - St Nicholas to Peterston-super-Ely
  - Bonvilston to St Nicholas
  - Pendoylan to Bonvilston
  - Welsh St Donats to Bonvilston
  - Llantrithyd to Bonvilston

- Llancarfan to Bonvilston
- St Lythans to Llancarfan
- St Nicholas to Llancarfan
- St Lythans to Wenvoe
- Creation of Brooklands ward (Wenvoe Community Council)
- Creation of Dyffryn ward (St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council)
- 153. The Commission recommends the transfer of part of the St Georges-super-Ely ward, which is part of the Community of St Georges-super-Ely to the St Nicholas ward of the Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston. This involves the transfer of the area to the south of the ward and affects 104 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG during the initial consultation period to transfer the area known as 'The Downs' from St Georges-super-Ely to St Nicholas by utilising the A48 to provide a clearer and more well-defined boundary for the St Nicholas ward. The Commission received 1 representation opposing the proposed boundary change. The Commission received 2 representations suggesting an alternative area including the Coedarhydglyn estate should also be transferred to St Nicholas. However, the Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government whilst providing a clear boundary utilising the A48. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 89 and in greater detail on the map on page 91.
- 154. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the St Lythans ward, which is currently in the Community of Wenvoe to the St Nicholas ward of the Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston. This involves the transfer of the area to the north of the ward and affects 9 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG, St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council, Cllr Ian Perry, and Plaid Cymru Bro Morgannwg at the secondary consultation stage who suggested that a number of houses currently within St Lythans but are part of the area known as 'The Downs' should also transfer into the St Nicholas ward. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government whilst ensuring the entirety of 'The Downs' is included within a single community ward. The recommendation can be found on the maps on page 89 and 90 and in greater detail on the map on page 92.
- 155. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the St Nicholas ward, surrounding the 'Endless Acres' property into the Peterson-super-Ely ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north of the ward and affects 2 electors. The recommendation was submitted by St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council at the initial consultation stage who stated that amending the boundary would allow residents of 'Endless Acres' to walk to the polling station in Peterston-super-Ely as the property physically belongs to Peterston-super-Ely. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 89 and in greater detail on the map on page 93.
- 156. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Bonvilston ward into the St Nicholas ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the east of the ward and affects 7 electors. The recommendation

was submitted by St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council at the initial consultation stage to realign the boundary between the Bonvilston, and St Nicholas wards to utilise the A4226 road to provide a visible, logical and rememberable boundary. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 89 and in greater detail on the map on page 94.

- 157. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Pendoylan ward into the Bonvilston ward. This involves the transfer of an area to the south of the ward and affects 14 electors. The recommendation sees the boundary of Bonvilston become co-terminus with the CF5 postcode boundary to make it clearer to residents which community they reside in and unifies the Cottrell Park Golf Club within a single community area. The recommendation was submitted by St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council at the initial consultation stage who stated that the changes would ensure the boundaries of the wards are more recognisable and sensible for residents. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 89 and in greater detail on the map on page 95.
- 158. The Commission further recommends the transfer of part of the Welsh St Donats ward into the Bonvilston ward. This involves the transfer of an area to the south of the ward and affects 12 electors. The recommendation was submitted by St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council during the initial consultation stage to transfer the area surrounding 'Bonvilston House' into the Bonvilston ward. The Community Council stated that the property's address is Bonvilston, and that the property should be situated within the Bonvilston ward. Welsh St Donats Community Council opposed the proposal during the secondary consultation stage. The Commission is of the view that the recommendation to transfer the area surrounding Bonvilston House provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 85 and in greater detail on the map on page 96.
- 159. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Llantrithyd ward into the Bonvilston ward. This involves the transfer of an area to the north and east of the ward and affects 39 electors. The recommendation was submitted by St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council to transfer the area surrounding Bonvilston Quarry, Bonvilston Hall and properties closely associated with Bonvilston into the Bonvilston ward. The Community Council stated that the existing boundary was confusing and created an anomaly that placed Liege Manor, whose primary access road is in the Bonvilston ward, within the Llantrithyd ward, and that properties to the South of Liege Manor are placed in Bonvilston. This recommendation would address this anomaly and unite the surrounding properties within a single community ward. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on pages 88 and 89 and in greater detail on the maps on pages 97 and 98.
- 160. The Commission further recommends the transfer of part of the Llancarfan ward into the Bonvilston ward of the Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston. This involves the transfer of an area to the east of the ward and affects 0 electors. The recommendation was submitted by St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council during the initial consultation stage to align the boundary with Bonvilston Brook to ensure that land surrounding Abernant Cottage would be appropriately transferred into the Bonvilston ward. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on pages 88 and 89 and in greater detail on the map on page 99.
- 161. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the St Lythans ward into the Llancarfan ward of the Community of Llancarfan. This involves the transfer of an area to the south of the ward and affects 7 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG at the secondary consultation stage to align the boundary with the A4226 to provide a clearer boundary between the Communities of Llancarfan and

the proposed Dyffryn ward of St Nicholas and Bonvilston. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the maps on pages 88 and 90 and in greater detail on the map on page 100.

- 162. The Commission further recommends the transfer of a part of the St Nicholas ward into the Llancarfan ward of the Community of Llancarfan. This involves the transfer of an area to the South-East of the ward and affects 0 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG during the secondary consultation period to align the boundary of Llancarfan with the A4226 to provide a clearer boundary between the two communities. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 88 and 89 and in greater detail on the map on page 101.
- 163. The Commission also recommends the creation a new ward within the Community of Wenvoe. This involves the creation of a new ward in the north of the community and affects 810 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Wenvoe Community Council and the VOGCPWG at the initial consultation stage, who recommended to create a new Brooklands ward within the Community of Wenvoe by utilising the polling district of PA1 (Wenvoe B). This area contains 421 electors. It is also proposed to transfer an area of the St Lythans ward surrounding the Culverhouse Cross retail park and the new St Lythans Park housing estate. This recommendation was received from the VOGCPWG at the secondary consultation stage and transfers an additional 389 electors from St Lythans to the proposed Brooklands ward. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 90 and in greater detail on the map on pages 102 and 103.
- 164. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the St Lythans ward, surrounding the Twyn-yr-Odyn area, which is currently part of the Community of Wenvoe, into the Wenvoe ward of the Community of Wenvoe. This involves the transfer of an area to the north of the ward and affects 71 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG during the secondary consultation period who proposed that the Twyn-yr-Odyn area be retained within Wenvoe Community Council area. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 90 and in greater detail on the map on page 104.
- 165. Finally, the Commission recommends utilising the remainder of the St Lythans ward, following the transfer of areas to St Nicholas, Llancarfan, Brooklands, and Wenvoe to form a new community ward of Dyffryn within the Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston and affects 116 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG during the secondary consultation stage who opposed the transfer of the entirety of St Lythans to St Nicholas and Bonvilston and suggested an appropriate division of the area to form a new Dyffryn ward. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the maps on pages 89 and 90 and in greater detail on the map on page 105.
- 166. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the Community of Llancarfan would decrease to 588. With 39 electors transferring from Llancarfan to St Nicholas and Bonvilston, and 7 electors transferring to Llancarfan from St Lythans.
- 167. The electorate within the Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston would increase to 1,201. With 2 electors transferring from St Nicholas and Bonvilston to Peterston-super-Ely, 104 electors transferring from St Georges-super-Ely to St Nicholas and Bonvilston, 9 electors transferring from St Lythans, 14 electors transferring from Pendoylan to St Nicholas and Bonvilston, 12 electors transferring from Welsh St Donats to St Nicholas and Bonvilston, and 39 electors transferring from Llancarfan to St Nicholas and Bonvilston, and the creation of the Dyffryn ward with 116 electors.

168. Finally, the electorate within the Community of Wenvoe would be reduced to 2,144. With 123 electors transferring from Wenvoe to St Nicholas and Bonvilston, 9 electors transferring from St Lythans to St Nicholas and 7 electors transferring from St Lythans to Llancarfan.

#### **Recommended Names**

- 169. The Commission recommends retaining the existing single community name of **Llancarfan** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 170. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing English community name of **St Nicholas and Bonvilston**, and the Welsh community name of **Sain Nicolas a Thresimwn**, as prescribed in the Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 171. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing English community name of **Wenvoe**, and the Welsh community name of **Gwenfô**, as prescribed in the Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 172. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Liantrithyd**, and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Liantriddyd** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 173. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **St Nicholas**, and the Welsh community ward name of **Sain Nicolas** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 174. The Commission also recommends that to retain the existing English community ward name of **Bonvilston**, and the Welsh community ward name of **Tresimwn** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 175. The Commission also recommends the single community ward name of **Dyffryn**, as proposed by the VOGCPWG. The Welsh Language Commissioner agrees with the proposed name.
- 176. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Wenvoe**, and the Welsh community ward of **Gwenfô**, as prescribed in the Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 177. Finally, the Commission recommends the new English community ward name of **Brooklands**, as recommended by Wenvoe Community Council, as this name has been used on the Wenvoe Community Council website, and also in the Barry and District Times, and the Welsh community ward name of **Parc Gwenfô** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner,

#### **Consequential Changes**

#### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 178. The recommended community council arrangements in the recommended Llancarfan community council area would consist of 2 wards: Llancarfan and Llantrithyd. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 588 and be represented by 7 community councillors.
- 179. The recommended community council arrangements in the recommended St Nicholas and Bonvilston community council area would consist of 3 wards: Bonvilston, St Nicholas and Dyffryn. The Community is recommended to have a total electorate of 1,201 and be represented by 11 community councillors.

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- 180. The recommended community council arrangements in the recommended Wenvoe community council area would consist of 2 wards: Brooklands and Wenvoe. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 2,144 and be represented by 10 community councillors.
- 181. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to community council electoral arrangements that would occur following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community councils can be seen on page below:

|             |          | Llancarfan Community Council (Rural) |                               |          |          |             |                               |          |  |
|-------------|----------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|
|             |          | Exist                                | ting                          |          |          | Recom       | mended                        |          |  |
| Wards       | Electors | Councillors                          | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |
| Llancarfan  | 463      | 7                                    | 66                            | 3%       | 470      | 5           | 94                            | 8%       |  |
| Llantrithyd | 177      | 3                                    | 59                            | -8%      | 138      | 2           | 69                            | -21%     |  |
|             | 640      | 10                                   | 64                            |          | 608      | 7           | 87                            |          |  |

|             |          | St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council (Rural) |                 |          |             |             |                 |          |  |  |
|-------------|----------|--|-----------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|----------|--|--|
|             | Existing |  |                 |          | Recommended |             |                 |          |  |  |
|             |          |  | Electors<br>per |          |             |             | Electors<br>per |          |  |  |
| Wards       | Electors | Councillors  | Councillor      | Variance | Electors    | Councillors | Councillor      | Variance |  |  |
| Bonvilston  | 396      | 4  | 99              | 9%       | 454         | 4           | 114             | 4%       |  |  |
| St Nicholas | 512      | 6  | 85              | -6%      | 631         | 6           | 105             | -4%      |  |  |
| Dyffryn     | -        | -  | -               | -        | 116         | 1           | 116             | 6%       |  |  |
|             | 908      | 10   | 91              |          | 1,201       | 11          | 109             |          |  |  |

|            |          |             | Wenv                          | oe Commu | nity Counci | l (Rural)   |                               |          |
|------------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|
|            | Existing |             |                               |          | Recommended |             |                               |          |
| Wards      | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors    | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |
| Brooklands | -        | -           | -                             | -        | 810         | 4           | 203                           | -6%      |
| Wenvoe     | 1,684    | 9           | 187                           | -10%     | 1,334       | 6           | 222                           | 4%       |
| St Lythans | 592      | 2           | 296                           | 43%      | -           | -           | -                             | -        |
| 1          | 2,276    | 11          | 207                           |          | 2,144       | 10          | 214                           |          |

The Commission notes that the council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Llancarfan is entitled to 5 councillors, however, the Council Size Policy submitted by VOGCPWG stated that communities should be represented by no less than 7 councillors. Therefore the Commission has recommended that the Community of Llancarfan be represented by 7 councillors. This also reduces the number of co-opted seats on the Community Council and provides improvements to effective and convenient local government.

The Commission notes that the council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Wenvoe is entitled to 11 councillors, however, the Commission is satisfied that the level of variance provided by a membership of 10 councillors is appropriate and in the interest of effective and convenient local government.

The Commission also notes that the council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston is entitled to 8 councillors, however, the Commission is satisfied that the level of variance provided by a membership of 11 councillors due to the increase in electorate and formation of a new community ward area. The Commission recommends that the Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston be represented by 11 councillors to account for the changes detailed above are and in the interest of providing more effective and convenient local government.

#### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 182. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 183. As the Community of St Georges-super-Ely, which the Commission recommends changes to further in this report on page 108, is a component part of the existing St Nicholas and Llancarfan electoral ward, the Commission has considered the consequential changes to St Nicholas and Llancarfan electoral ward. The Commission recommends that the electoral ward of St Nicholas and Llancarfan be made up of the Communities of Llancarfan, and St Nicholas and Bonvilston. As a consequence of the recommended changes to the boundaries of the Community of Wenvoe, the Commission also recommends the same changes be applied to the Wenvoe electoral ward as listed below:
  - St Nicholas and Llancarfan
  - Wenvoe
- 184. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

|                               |          | Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements |                               |          |          |             |                               |          |  |
|-------------------------------|----------|--|-------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|
|                               |          | Exist  | ting                          |          |          | Recom       | mended                        |          |  |
| Wards                         | Electors | Councillors  | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |
| St Nicholas and<br>Llancarfan | 1,885    | 1  | 1,885                         | -2%      | 1,808    | 1           | 2,400                         | 0%       |  |
|                               | 1,885    | 1  | 1,933                         |          | 1,808    | 1           | 1,800                         |          |  |

|        |   | Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements |       |     |          |             |                               |          |  |  |  |
|--------|---|--|-------|-----|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|
|        |   | Exis   | ting  |     |          | Recom       | mended                        |          |  |  |  |
| Wards  | Electors per Electors Councillors Councillor Variance |  |       |     | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |  |  |
| Wenvoe | 2,276   | 1  | 2,276 | 18% | 2,144    | 1           | 2,144                         | 19%      |  |  |  |
|        | 2,276   | 1  | 1,933 |     | 2,144    | 1           | 1,800                         |          |  |  |  |

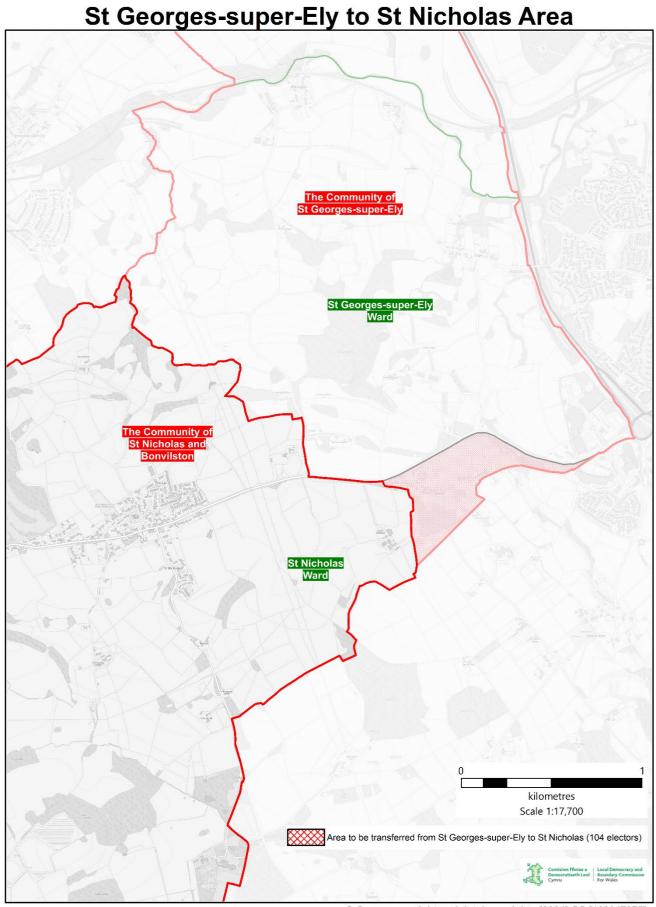
Area to be transferred from Llantrithyd to Bonvilston (6 electors) kilometres Area to be transferred from Llantrithyd to Bonvilston (33 electors) Scale 1:39,160 Area to be transferred from Llancarfan to Bonvilston (0 electors) Area to be transferred from St Nicholas to Llancarfan (0 electors) Area to be transferred from St Lythans to Llancarfan (7 electors) The Community of Llancarfan

The Community of Llancarfan

# The Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston Area to be transferred from St Georges-super-Ely to St Nicholas (104 electors) kilometres Area to be transferred from St Lythans to St Nicholas (9 electors) Scale 1:38,810 Area to be transferred from St Lythans (Wenvoe) to form Dyffryn (116 electors) Area to be transferred from Bonvilston to St Nicholas (7 electors) Area to be transferred from Welsh St Donats to Bonvilston (12 electors) Area to be transferred from Pendoylan to Bonvilston (14 electors) Area to be transferred from St Nicholas to Peterston-Super-Ely (2 electors) The Community St Nicholas an Bonvilston a to be transferred from Llantrithyd to Bonvilston (6 electors) ea to be transferred from Llantrithyd to Bonvilston (33 electors) ea to be transferred from Llancarfan to Bonvilston (0 electors) Area to be transferred from St Nicholas to Llancarfan (0 electors)

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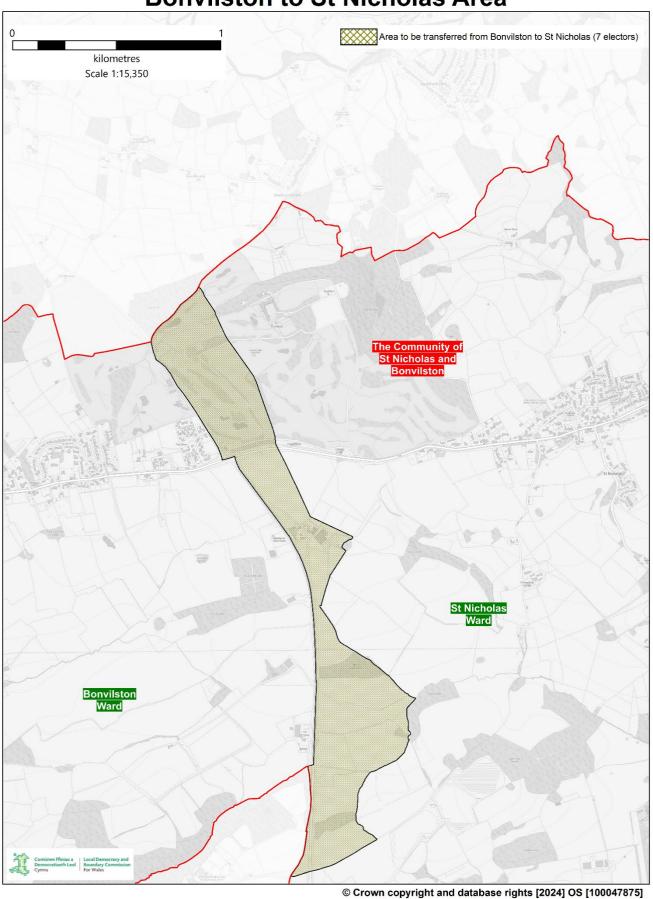
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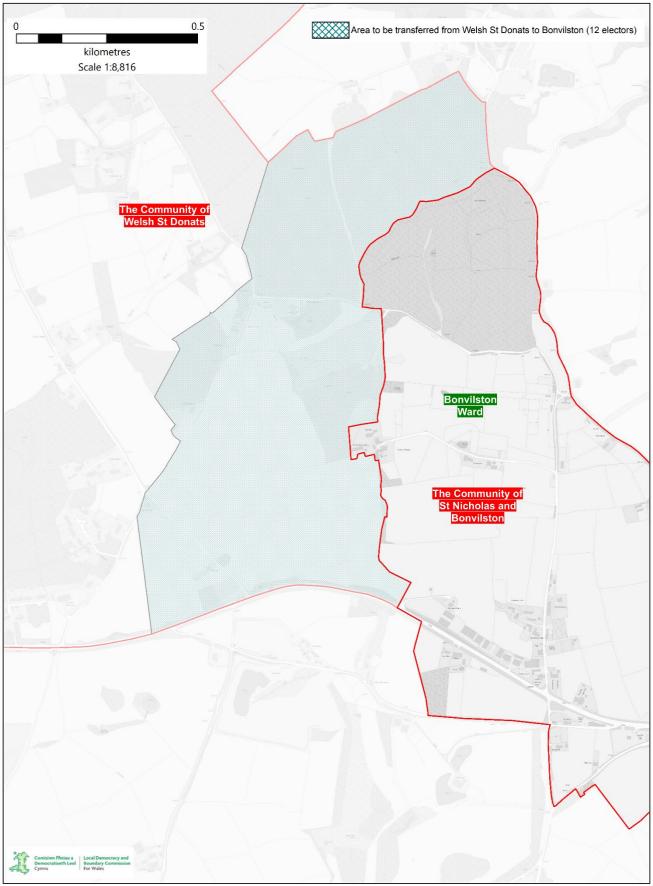
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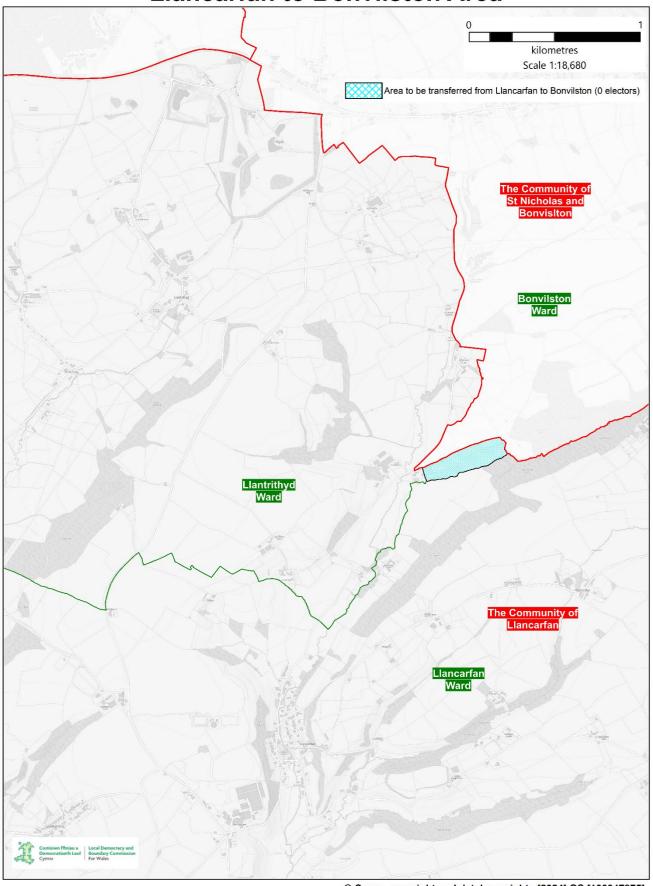
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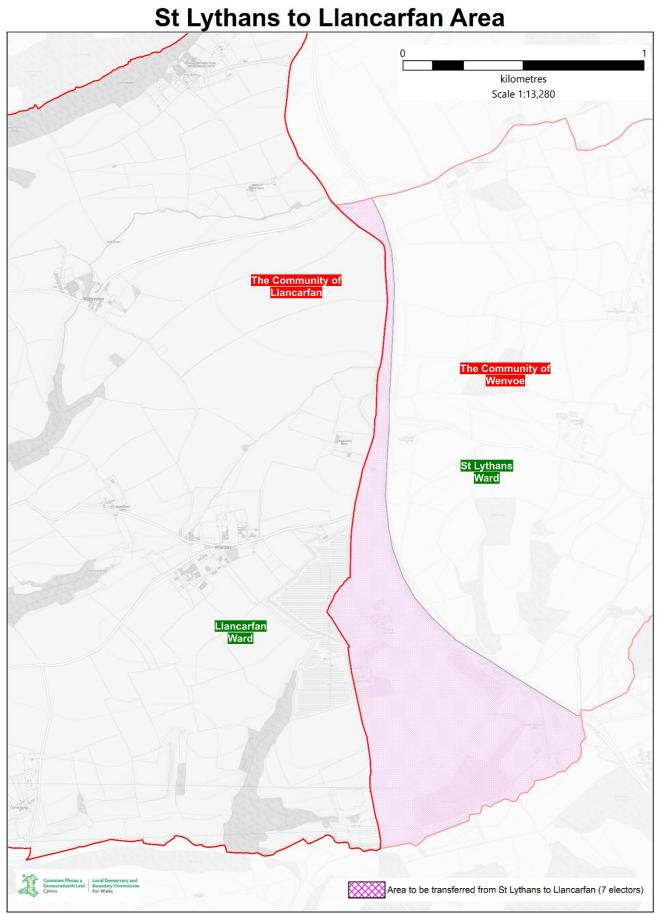
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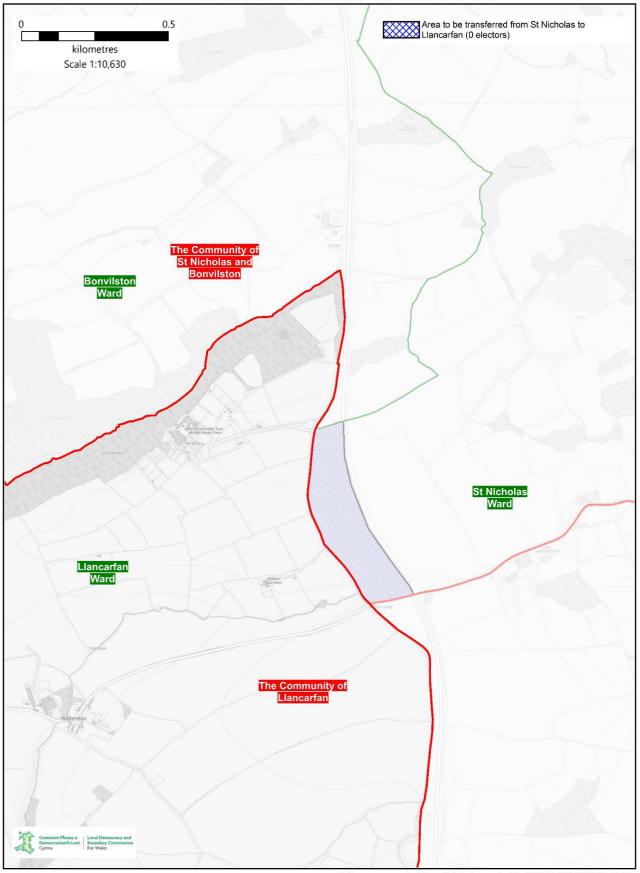
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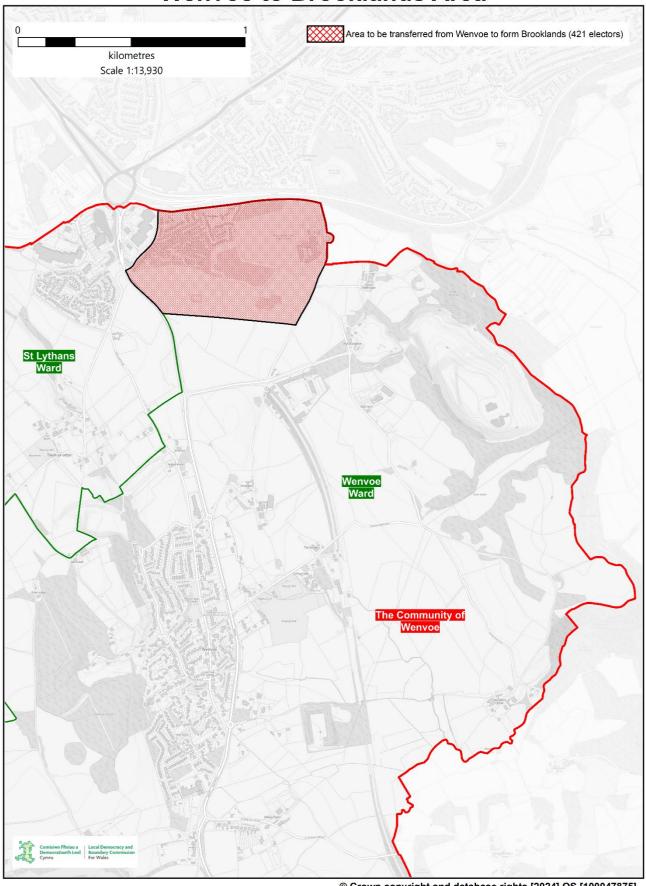




### St Nicholas to Llancarfan Area



## Wenvoe to Brooklands Area



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St Lythans to Brooklands Area Area to be transferred from St Lythans to form Brooklands (389 electors) kilometres Scale 1:14,680

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St Lythans to Wenvoe Area Area to be transferred from St Lythans to Wenvoe (71 electors) kilometres Scale 1:15,890 The Community of Wenvoe

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St Lythans to Dyffryn Area kilometres Scale 1:21,640 he Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston The Community of Wenvoe St Lythans Area to be transferred from St Lythans to form Dyffryn (116 electors)

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#### PETERSTON-SUPER-ELY AND ST GEORGES-SUPER-ELY

185. The current community council arrangement in Peterston-super-Ely has a total electorate of 722 and is represented by 8 community councillors.

| Community           | Electorate | Number of Councillors |  |
|---------------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
| Peterston-super-Ely | 722        | 8                     |  |
| Total               | 722        | 8                     |  |

186. The current community council arrangements in St Georges-super-Ely consist of 2 wards: St Brides-super-Ely, and St Georges-super-Ely. The community has a total electorate of 337 and is represented by 7 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community Ward       | Electorate | Number of Councillors |  |
|----------------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
| St Brides-super-Ely  | 100        | 2                     |  |
| St Georges-super-Ely | 237        | 5                     |  |
| Total                | 337        | 7                     |  |

#### Representations

- 187. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 2 representations concerning the Communities of Peterston-super-Ely and St Georges-super-Ely from: the Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), and St Georges-super-Ely Community Council. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 188. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 2 representations concerning the Communities of Peterston-super-Ely and St Georges-super-Ely from: VOGCPWG and St Georges-super-Ely Community Council. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

#### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 189. The Commission recommends applying 3 changes to the existing community boundaries, which includes the transfer of areas between the following community areas:
  - St Georges-super-Ely to St Nicholas
  - St Nicholas to Peterston-super-Ely

- Creation of a new community known as Peterston and St Georges
- 190. The Commission recommends the transfer of part of the St Georges-super-Ely ward, which is part of the Community of St Georges-super-Ely to the St Nicholas ward of the Community of St Nicholas and Bonvilston. This involves the transfer of the area to the south of the ward and affects 104 electors. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG during the initial consultation period to transfer the area known as 'The Downs' from St Georges-super-Ely to St Nicholas by utilising the A48 to provide a clearer and more well-defined boundary for the St Nicholas ward. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 108 and in greater detail on the map on page 109.
- 191. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the St Nicholas ward, surrounding the 'Endless Acres' property into the Peterson-super-Ely ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north of the community ward and affects 2 electors. The recommendation was submitted by St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council who stated that amending the boundary would allow residents of 'Endless Acres' to walk to the polling station in Peterston-super-Ely as the property physically belongs to Peterston-super-Ely. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and

- convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 108 and in greater detail on the map on page 110.
- 192. The Commission recommends the abolition of the communities of Peterston-super-Ely and St Georges-super-Ely and utilising the 2 areas to form the new Community of Peterston and St Georges. This involves the creation of a new community which incorporates 2 neighbouring, rural communities. The recommendation was submitted by VOGCPWG to combine the 2 communities to form a new community area. The Commission recommends utilising the revised community and community ward boundaries of Peterston-super-Ely and St Georges-super-Ely to create community wards within the new community. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 108.
- 193. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the new Community of Peterston and St Georges would be 957.
- 194. The new community ward of Peterston-super-Ely would have 724 electors, with 2 electors transferring from St Nicholas and Bonvilston. The new community ward of St Brides-super-Ely would have 100 electors and the community ward of St Georges-super-Ely would have 133 electors as a result of 104 electors transferring to St Nicholas and Bonvilston.

#### **Recommended Names**

- 195. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community name of **Peterston and St Georges** with the Welsh community name of **Llanbedr-y-fro a Sain Siorys** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 196. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Peterston-super-Ely** and the existing Welsh community ward name of **Llanbedr-y-fro** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 197. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **St Georges-super-Ely** and the existing Welsh community ward name of **Sain Siorys** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 198. Finally, The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **St Brides-super-Ely** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Llansanffraid-ar-Elái** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.

#### **Consequential Changes**

#### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 199. The recommended community council arrangements in the new Community of Peterston and St Georges community council area consist of 3 wards: Peterston-super-Ely, St Brides-super-Ely, and St Georges-super-Ely. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 957 and be represented by 7 community councillors.
- 200. The Commission is required to recommends electoral arrangements for the new community council that would be created following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community council can be seen on page 107:

|                          | Peterston and St Georges Community Council (Rural) |                          |                               |                  |          |                          |                               |                  |
|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
|                          | Existing   |                          |                               | Recommended      |          |                          |                               |                  |
| Wards                    | Electors   | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |
| Peterston-               | LICCIOIS   | Councillors              | Councillor                    | (CC)             | Liectors | Councillors              | Councillo                     | (CC)             |
| super-Ely                | 722  | 8                        | 90                            | 27%              | 724      | 4                        | 181                           | 32%              |
| St Brides-<br>super-Ely  | 100  | 2                        | 50                            | -30%             | 100      | 1                        | 100                           | -27%             |
| St Georges-<br>super-Ely | 237  | 5                        | 47                            | -34%             | 133      | 2                        | 67                            | -51%             |
|                          | 1,059  | 15                       | 71                            |                  | 957      | 7                        | 137                           |                  |

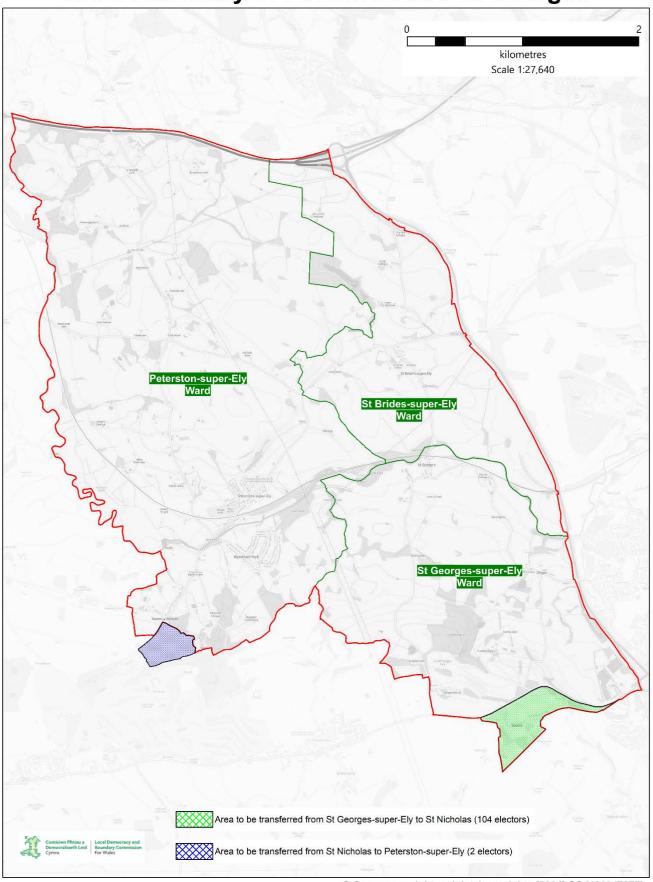
The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Peterston and St Georges would be entitled to 6 community councillors which would improve the county wide variance, however, the Council Size Policy also stated that a community should be represented by no less than 7 community councillors. Therefore, the Commission has recommended that the Community of Peterston and St Georges be represented by 7 community councillors.

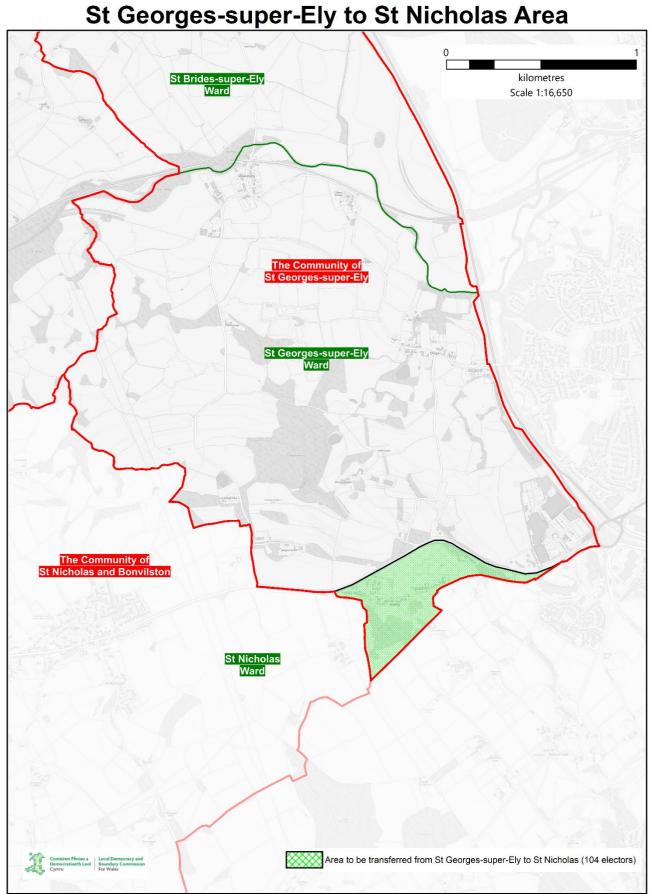
#### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 201. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 202. As the Community of St Georges-super-Ely is currently within the electoral ward of St Nicholas and Llancarfan, the Commission recommends that the Peterston-super-Ely electoral ward be made up of the new Community of Peterston and St Georges-super-Ely and the new Community of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats which are considered on page 114.
  - Peterston-super-Ely
- 203. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

|                         | Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements |             |                               |          |             |             |                               |          |
|-------------------------|--|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|
|                         | Existing   |             |                               |          | Recommended |             |                               |          |
| Wards                   | Electors   | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors    | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |
| Peterston-<br>super-Ely | 1,609  | 1           | 1,609                         | -17%     | 1,795       | 1           | 1,795                         | 0%       |
|                         | 1,609  | 1           | 1,933                         |          | 1,795       | 1           | 1,800                         |          |

### The Community of Peterston and St Georges





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### PENDOYLAN AND WELSH ST DONATS

204. The current community council arrangements in Pendoylan consist of a total electorate of 432 and is represented by 8 community councillors.

| Community | Electorate | Number of Councillors |  |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------|--|
| Pendoylan | 432        | 8                     |  |
| Total     | 432        | 8                     |  |

205. The current community council arrangements in Welsh St Donats consist of a total electorate of 455 and is represented by 8 community councillors.

| Community Ward  | Electorate | Number of Councillors |  |
|-----------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
| Welsh St Donats | 455        | 8                     |  |
| Total           | 455        | 8                     |  |

### Representations

- 206. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 2 representations concerning the Communities of Pendoylan, and Welsh St Donats from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), and Welsh St Donats Community Council. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 207. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 3 representations concerning the Communities of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats from: VOGCPWG, Pendoylan Community Council, and Welsh St Donats Community Council. The representations are published on the <a href="Commission's website">Commission's website</a>.

### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 208. The Commission recommends applying 4 changes to the existing community boundaries, which includes the transfer of areas between the following community areas:
  - Welsh St Donats to Ystradowen (Penllyn)
  - Welsh St Donats to Bonvilston

- Pendoylan to Bonvilston
- Creation of a new community known as Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats.
- 209. The Commission recommends the transfer of part of the Welsh St Donats ward, the Highgrove estate, which is within the Community of Welsh St Donats to the Ystradowen ward in the Community of Penllyn. This involves the transfer of the Highgrove estate area and affects 23 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Penllyn Community Council and supported by Welsh St Donats Community Council during the initial consultation stage to transfer the area between the communities to provide more clearly defined boundaries that reflect the existing developments within the area. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 114 and in greater detail on the map on page 115.
- 210. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Welsh St Donats ward into the Bonvilston ward. This involves the transfer of an area to the south of the ward and affects 12 electors. The recommendation was submitted by St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council during the initial consultation period to transfer the area surrounding 'Bonvilston House' into the Bonvilston ward. The Community Council stated that the property's address is Bonvilston, and that the property should be situated within the Bonvilston ward. Welsh St Donats Community Council opposed this proposal during the secondary consultation period. However, the Commission is of the view that this recommendation

- provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 114 and in greater detail on the map on page 116.
- 211. The Commission also recommends the transfer of part of the Pendoylan ward into the Bonvilston ward. This involves the transfer of an area to the south of the ward and affects 14 electors. The recommendation sees the boundary of Bonvilston become co-terminus with the CF5 postcode boundary to make it clearer to residents which community they reside in and unifies the Cottrell Park Golf Club within a single community area. The recommendation was submitted by St Nicholas and Bonvilston Community Council at the initial consultation stage who stated that the changes would ensure the boundaries of the wards are more recognisable and sensible for residents. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 114 and in greater detail on the map on page 117.
- 212. The Commission recommends the abolition the communities of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats and utilise the 2 areas to form the new community of Pendoylan and St Donats. This involves the creation of a new community which incorporates 2 neighbouring, rural communities. The recommendation was submitted by the VOGCPWG to combine the 2 communities to form a new community area. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The Commission recommends utilising the revised community boundaries of Pendoylan, and Welsh St Donats to create community wards in the new community. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 114.
- 213. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the new Community of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats would be 838.
- 214. The new community ward of Pendoylan would have 418 electors, with 14 electors transferring to St Nicholas and Bonvilston. The new community ward of Welsh St Donat would have 420 electors, with 23 electors transferring to Penllyn, and 12 electors transferring to St Nicholas and Bonvilston.

### **Recommended Names**

- 215. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community name of **Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats** with the Welsh community name of **Pendeulwyn a Llanddunwyd** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 216. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Pendoylan**, and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Pendeulwyn**, as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 217. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Welsh St Donats** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Llanddunwyd** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.

### **Consequential Changes**

### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 218. The recommended community council arrangements in the new Community of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats would consist of 2 wards: Pendoylan, and Welsh St Donats. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 838 and be represented by 8 community councillors.
- 219. The Commission is required to recommend electoral arrangements for the new community council that would be created following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community councils can be seen below:

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|                    |          | Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats Community Council (Rural) |                               |                  |          |                          |                               |                  |  |  |
|--------------------|----------|---|-------------------------------|------------------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--|--|
|                    | Existing |   |                               |                  |          | Recommended              |                               |                  |  |  |
| Wards              | Electors | Community<br>Councillors                                | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |  |  |
| Pendoylan          | 432      | 8   | 54                            | -2%              | 418      | 4                        | 105                           | 0%               |  |  |
| Welsh St<br>Donats | 455      | 8   | 57                            | 4%               | 420      | 4                        | 105                           | 0%               |  |  |
|                    | 887      | 16  | 55                            |                  | 838      | 8                        | 105                           |                  |  |  |

The Commission notes that the council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats would be entitled to 6 community councillors which would improve the county wide variance, however, the council size policy also stated that a community should be represented by no less than 7 community councillors. The Commission has recommended that the Community of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats be represented by 8 community councillors in the interest of effective and convenient local government.

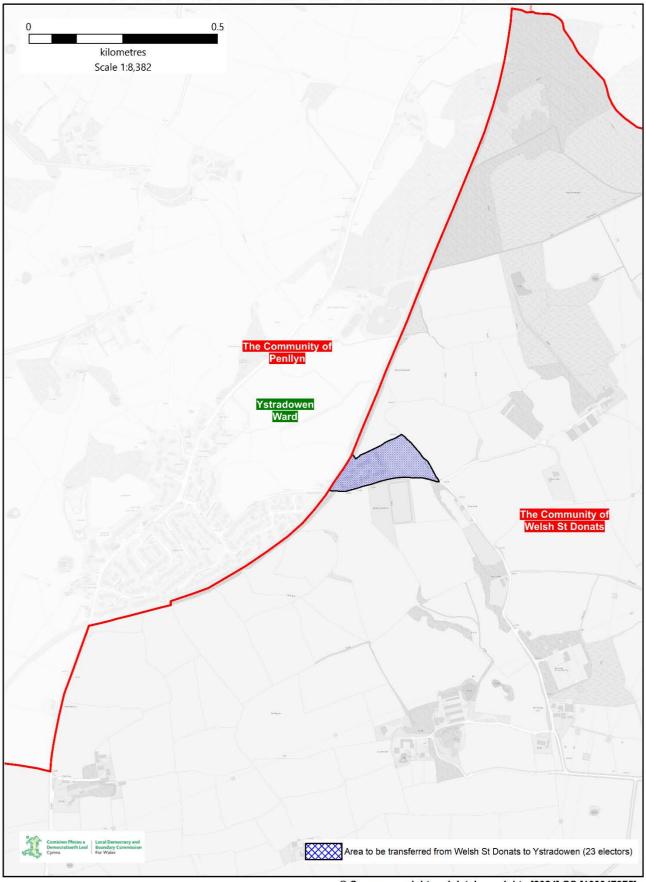
### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 220. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 221. As the Communities of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats are currently part of the Peterston-super-Ely electoral ward, the Commission recommends that the Peterston-super-Ely electoral ward be made up of the new Community of Peterston and St Georges-super-Ely which are considered on page 108 and the new Community of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements for Peterston-super-Ely are provided again below.
- 222. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

|                         | Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements |             |                               |          |          |             |                               |          |  |
|-------------------------|--|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|
|                         | Existing   |             |                               |          |          | Recommended |                               |          |  |
| Wards                   | Electors   | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |
| Peterston-<br>super-Ely | 1,609  | 1           | 1,609                         | -17%     | 1,795    | 1           | 1,795                         | 0%       |  |
|                         | 1,609  | 1           | 1,933                         |          | 1,795    | 1           | 1,800                         |          |  |

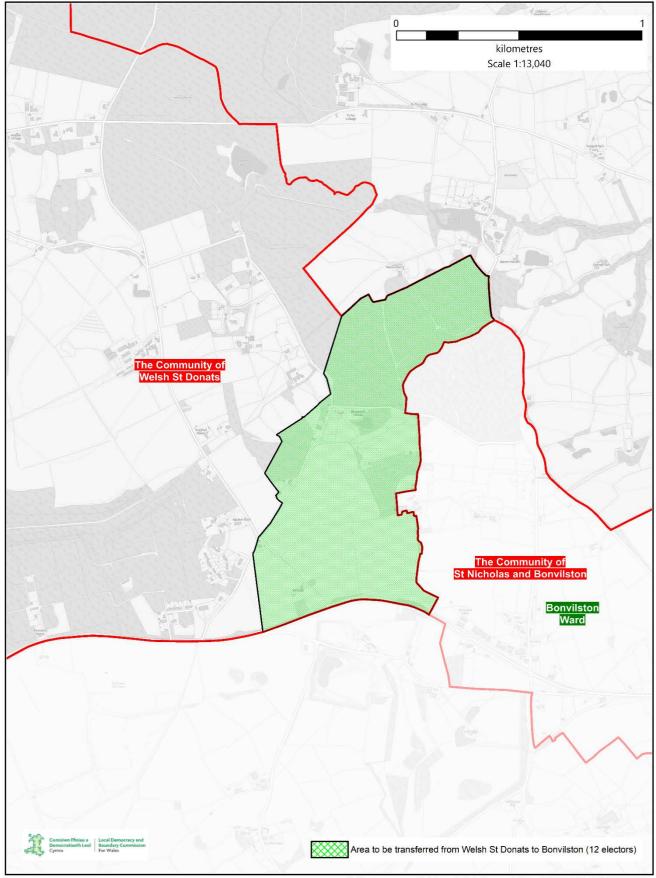
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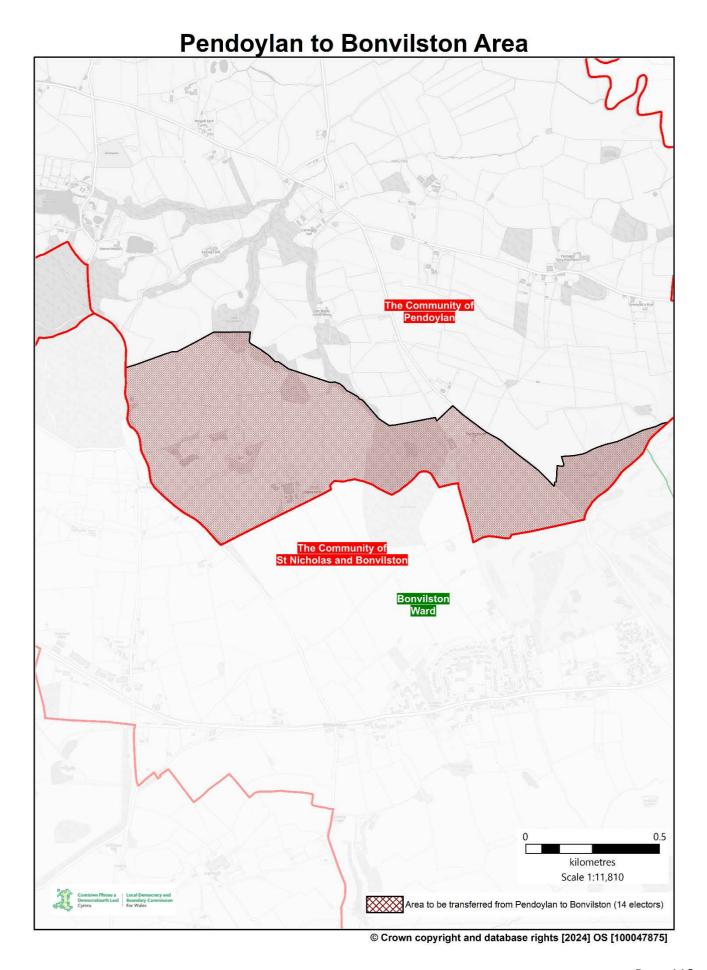
### Welsh St Donats to Ystradowen Area



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### **Welsh St Donats to Bonvilston Area**





### LLANDOW, LLANFAIR AND LLANMAES

223. The current community council arrangements in Llandow consist of 3 wards: Llandow, Llanmihangel and Llysworney. The community has a total electorate of 594 and is represented by 10 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community Ward | Electorate | Number of Councillors |  |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
| Llandow        | 234        | 4                     |  |
| Llanmihangel   | 130        | 2                     |  |
| Llysworney     | 230        | 4                     |  |
| Total          | 594        | 10                    |  |

224. The current community council arrangements in Llanfair consist 2 wards: Llanfair and St Hilary. The Community has a total electorate of 515 and is represented by 8 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community | Electorate | Number of Councillors |  |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------|--|
| Llanfair  | 320        | 5                     |  |
| St Hilary | 195        | 3                     |  |
| Total     | 515        | 8                     |  |

225. The current community council arrangements in Llanmaes consist of a total electorate of 354 and is represented by 7 community councillors.

| Community | Electorate | Number of Councillors |  |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------|--|
| Llanmaes  | 354        | 7                     |  |
| Total     | 354        | 7                     |  |

### Representations

- 226. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 3 representations concerning the Communities of Llandow, and Llanmaes from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), Llandow Community Council, and Llanmaes Community Council. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 227. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 26 representations concerning the Communities of Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes from: VOGCPWG, Llandow Community Council, Llanfair Community Council, Llanmaes Community Council and 22 residents of Llanmaes. The Commission also received 19 letters as part of a letter writing campaign from residents of Llanmaes. The representations are published on the <a href="Commission's website">Commission's website</a>.

### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 228. The Commission recommends applying 2 changes to the existing community boundaries, which includes the transfer of areas between the following community areas:
  - Llanmaes to Boverton (Llantwit Major)
- Creation of a new community known as Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes.
- 229. The Commission recommends transferring part of the Llanmaes ward, which is currently within the Community of Llanmaes to the Boverton ward. This involves the transfer of the area to the north-east of the ward and affects 5 electors. The recommendation was submitted by Llantwit Major Town Council

during the initial consultation period and supported by VOGCPWG during the initial consultation period to allow for the area that lies between the existing Boverton ward and the Northern Access Road to be included within the Boverton ward and to provide a clearer and well-defined boundary between the 2 wards. Llanmaes Community Council and a number of residents opposed any changes to the Community of Llanmaes during the initial and secondary consultation periods. However, the Community of Llanmaes falls below the parameters set out in the Council Size Policy and the Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 122 and in greater detail on the map on page 123.

- 230. The Commission also recommends the abolition of the communities of Llandow and Llanfair, and the remainder of the Community of Llanmaes and utilise the 3 areas to form the new Community of Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes. This involves the creation of a new community which incorporates 3 neighbouring, rural communities. The recommendation was submitted as an alternative suggestion by Llanmaes Community Council at the initial consultation stage, and the VOGCPWG at the secondary consultation stage to combine these 3 communities to form a 'rural cluster'. As the Commission no longer recommends including the Community of Llanfair within the Town of Cowbridge with Llanblethian, the Commission recommends including the Llanfair community area within this new rural community council area. The Commission is of the view that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The Commission recommends utilising the existing community ward boundaries of Llandow, Llanmihangel and Llysworney, Llanfair and St Hilary, and the community boundary of Llanmaes to create community wards in the new community. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 122.
- 231. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the new Community of Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes will be 1,458.
- 232. The new community ward of Llandow would have 234 electors. The new community ward of Llanmihangel would have 130 electors. The new community ward of Llysworney would have 230 electors. The new community ward of Llanmaes would have 349 electors, with 5 electors transferring to Llantwit Major. The new Community ward of Llan-fair would have 320 electors. The new Community ward of St Hilary would have 195 electors.

### **Recommended Names**

- 233. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community name of Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes. The Welsh Language Commissioner recommends utilising the single form of Llan-fair in both languages, as this is the form that is recognised in the List of Standardised Welsh Place Names and is also in use on signage within the area. The Commission recommends retaining the English form of Llanfair as this name is prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021. The Commission also recommends the Welsh community name of Llandŵ, Llan-fair a Llan-faes, with Llan-faes being the form prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 234. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Llandow** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Llandŵ** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 235. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Llanmaes** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Llan-faes** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 236. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommendations the new English community ward name of **Llanmihangel**, and the Welsh community ward name of **Llanfihangel y Bont-faen** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.

- 237. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community ward name of **Llysworney** and the Welsh community ward of **Llyswyrny** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 238. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community ward name of **Llanfair** and the Welsh community ward name of **Llan-fair** as recommended in paragraph 230 above.
- 239. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends applying the English community ward name of **St Hilary** and the Welsh community ward name of **Saint Hilari** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.

### **Consequential Changes**

### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 240. The recommended community council arrangements in the new Community of Llandow and Llanmaes would consist of 6 wards: Llandow, Llanmihangel, Llysworney, Llanfair, St Hilary and Llanmaes. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 1,458 and be represented by 13 community councillors.
- 241. The Commission is required to recommend electoral arrangements for the new community council that would be created following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community councils can be seen below.

|              | Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes Community Council (Rural) |                          |                               |                  |          |                          |                               |                  |  |
|--------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--|
|              |  | Exis                     | ting                          |                  |          | Recommended              |                               |                  |  |
| Wards        | Electors   | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |  |
| Llandow      | 234  | 4                        | 59                            | 0%               | 234      | 2                        | 117                           | 4%               |  |
| Llanmihangel | 130  | 2                        | 65                            | 10%              | 130      | 1                        | 130                           | 16%              |  |
| Llysworney   | 230  | 4                        | 58                            | -2%              | 230      | 2                        | 115                           | 3%               |  |
| Llanmaes     | 354  | 7                        | 51                            | -14%             | 349      | 3                        | 116                           | 4%               |  |
| Llanfair     | 320  | 5                        | 64                            | 8%               | 320      | 3                        | 107                           | -5%              |  |
| St Hilary    | 195  | 3                        | 65                            | 10%              | 195      | 2                        | 98                            | -13%             |  |
|              | 1,463  | 25                       | 59                            |                  | 1,458    | 13                       | 112                           |                  |  |

The Commission notes that the council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes would be entitled to 10 community councillors which would improve the county wide variance, however, the Commission has recommended that the Community of Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes be represented by 13 community councillors to provide acceptable levels of variance and to provide for effective and convenient local government.

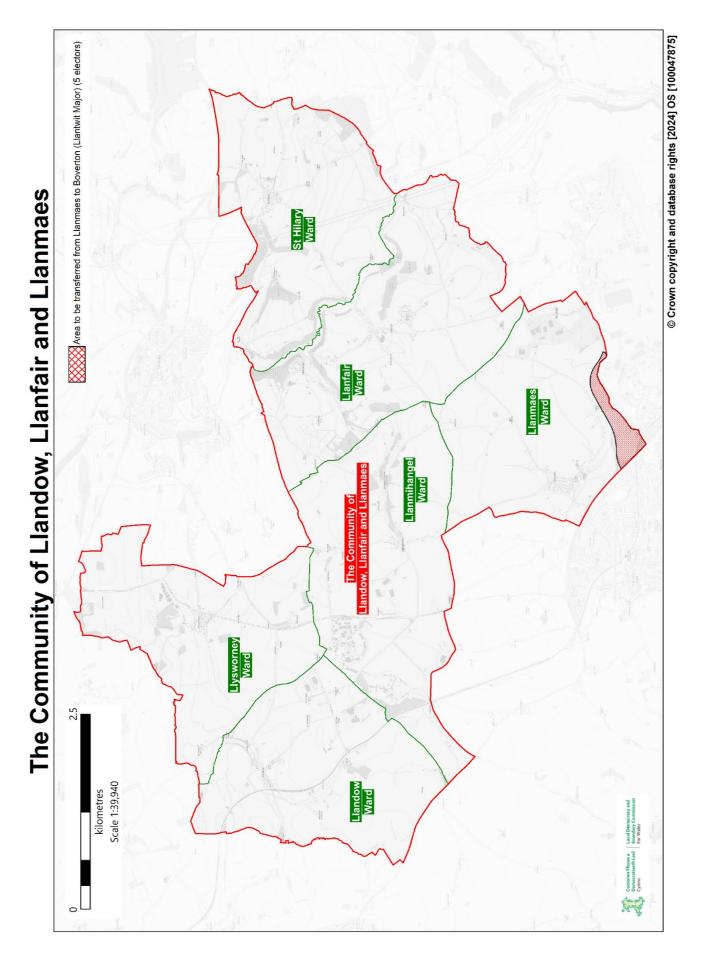
### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

242. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.

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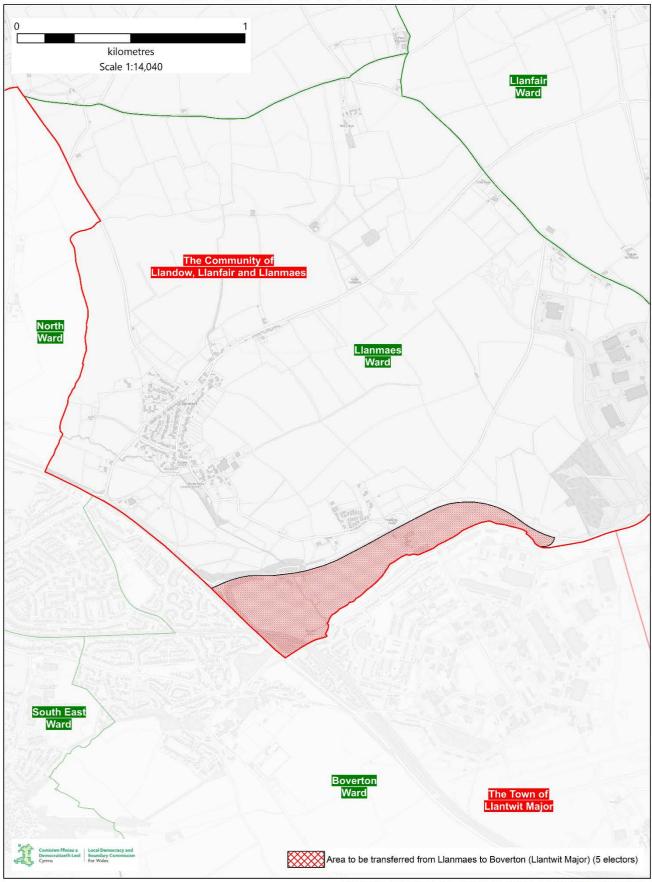
- 243. As the Community of Llanmaes is currently within the electoral ward of Llantwit Major, which the Commission has recommended changes to earlier in this report, the Commission has considered the consequential changes to Llantwit Major on page 43. As the Community of Llanfair is currently within the electoral ward of Cowbridge, which the Commission has recommended changes to earlier in this report, the Commission has considered the consequential changes to Cowbridge on page 50. The Commission recommends that the electoral ward of Llandow is made up of the new Community of Colwinston and Llangan, which is referred to on page 127, and the new Community of Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes.
- 244. The Commission's recommended electoral ward arrangements can be seen below:

|         | Consequential Changes to Electoral Ward Arrangements |             |                               |          |          |             |                               |          |  |
|---------|--|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|
|         | Existing   |             |                               |          |          | Recommended |                               |          |  |
| Wards   | Electors   | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance | Electors | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |
| Llandow | 1,731  | 1           | 1,731                         | -10%     | 2,595    | 1           | 2,595                         | 16%      |  |
|         | 1,731  | 1           | 1,933                         |          | 2,595    | 1           | 1,800                         |          |  |



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### Llanmaes to Boverton Area



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### **COLWINSTON AND LLANGAN**

245. The current community council of Colwinston consists of a total electorate of 500 and is represented by 7 community councillors.

| Community  | Electorate | Number of Councillors |  |
|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
| Colwinston | 500        | 7                     |  |
| Total      | 500        | 7                     |  |

246. The current community council arrangements in Llangan consist of 2 wards: Llangan and St Mary Hill. The community has a total electorate of 637 and is represented by 9 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community Ward | Electorate | Number of Councillors |  |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
| Llangan        | 487        | 6                     |  |
| St Mary Hill   | 150        | 3                     |  |
| Total          | 637        | 9                     |  |

### Representations

- 247. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 1 representation concerning the Communities of Colwinston and Llangan from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG). The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 248. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 3 representations concerning the Communities of Colwinston and Llangan from: VOGCPWG Colwinston Community Council and Llangan Community Council. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 249. The Commission recommends applying 1 change to the existing community boundaries, which includes the creation of a new community:
  - Creation of a new community known as Colwinston and Llangan
- 250. The Commission recommends the abolition of the communities of Colwinston and Llangan and utilise the 2 areas to form the new Community of Colwinston and Llangan. This involves the creation of a new community which incorporates 2 neighbouring, rural communities. The recommendation was submitted by the VOGCPWG at draft consultation stage. The Commission agrees that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The Commission recommends utilising the existing community boundary of Colwinston and the community ward boundaries of Llangan and St Mary Hill to create community wards in the recommended community. The Commission acknowledges the representations received in opposition to the proposals, however, the Commission is satisfied that the proposals provide improvements to effective and convenient local government and are in-line with the Council Size Policy submitted by the County Council. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 127.
- 251. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the new Community of Colwinston and Llangan would be 1,137.

252. The new community ward of Colwinston would have 500 electors. The new community ward of Llangan would have 487 electors. The new community ward of St Mary Hill would have 150 electors.

### **Recommended Names**

- 253. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community name of Colwinston and Llangan, as a combination of the existing English names prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021, with the Welsh community name of Tregolwyn a Llanganna as a combination of the existing Welsh names prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 and the recommendation of Llanganna as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner who stated that Llanganna was the correct form for the area's name, and also of the village of the same name.
- 254. The Commission recommends the English community ward name of **Colwinston**, and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Tregolwyn** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 255. The Commission also recommends the English community ward name of **Llangan**, and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Llanganna** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021 and as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 256. As a result of these recommendations, the Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **St Mary Hill** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Eglwys Fair y Mynydd** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.

### **Consequential Changes**

### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 257. The recommended community council arrangements in the new Community of Colwinston and Llangan would consist of 3 wards: Colwinston, Llangan, and St Mary Hill. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 1,137 and be represented by 7 community councillors.
- 258. The Commission is required to recommend electoral arrangements for the new community council that would be created following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community councils can be seen below:

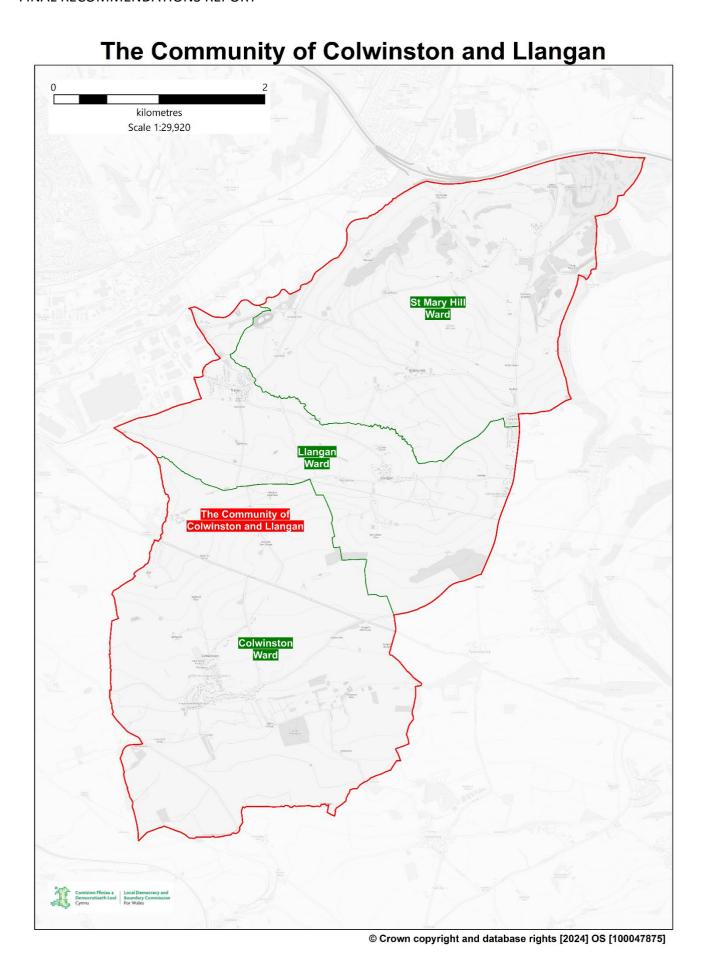
|              | Colwinston and Llangan Community Council (Rural) |                          |                               |                  |          |                          |                               |                  |  |  |
|--------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--|--|
|              | Existing   |                          |                               |                  |          | Recommended              |                               |                  |  |  |
| Wards        | Electors   | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |  |  |
| Colwinston   | 500  | 7                        | 71                            | 0%               | 500      | 3                        | 167                           | 3%               |  |  |
| Llangan      | 487  | 6                        | 81                            | 14%              | 487      | 3                        | 162                           | 0%               |  |  |
| St Mary Hill | 150  | 3                        | 50                            | -30%             | 150      | 1                        | 150                           | -8%              |  |  |
|              | 1,137  | 16                       | 71                            |                  | 1,137    | 7                        | 162                           |                  |  |  |

The Commission notes that the council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Colwinston and Llangan would be entitled to 7 community councillors, which the Commission has recommended.

### Principal council electoral ward arrangements

- 259. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 260. The Commission has considered the changes to the electoral ward of Llandow on page 122 and recommends that the electoral ward of Llandow is made up of the new Community of Colwinston and Llangan and the new Community of Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes.

|         |          | Cor                  | nsequential C   | hanges to E | lectoral W | ard Arrangem | ents            |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------|----------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|         |          | Existing Recommended |                 |             |            |              |                 |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|         |          |                      | Electors<br>per |             |            |              | Electors<br>per |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wards   | Electors | Councillors          | Councillor      | Variance    | Electors   | Councillors  | Councillor      | Variance |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Llandow | 1,731    | 1                    | 1,731           | -10%        | 2,595      | 1            | 2,595           | 44%      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | 1,731    | 1                    | 1,933           |             | 2,595      | 1            | 1,800           |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



### **EWENNY AND ST BRIDE'S MAJOR**

261. The current community council of Ewenny consists of a total electorate of 623 and is represented by 8 community councillors.

| Community | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------|
| Ewenny    | 623        | 8                     |
| Total     | 623        | 8                     |

262. The current community council arrangements in St Bride's Major consist of 2 wards: Ogmore-by-Sea, St Bride's Major. The community has a total electorate of 1,984 and is represented by 11 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community Ward   | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Ogmore-by-Sea    | 1,143      | 5                     |
| St Bride's Major | 841        | 6                     |
| Total            | 1,984      | 11                    |

### Representations

- 263. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 2 representations concerning the Communities of Ewenny and St Bride's Major from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), and Ewenny Community Council. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 264. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 9 representations concerning the Communities of Ewenny and St Bride's Major from: VOGCPWG, a Member of Parliament, Ewenny Community Council, 2 Community Councillors (Ewenny), and 4 residents of Ewenny. Ewenny Community Council's representation also included a petition with 134 signatures. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 265. The Commission recommends applying 1 change to the existing community boundaries, which includes the creation of a new community:
  - Creation of a new community known as Ewenny and St Brides Major
- 266. The Commission recommends the abolition of the communities of Ewenny and St Bride's Major and utilise the 2 areas to form the new Community of Ewenny and St Brides Major. This involves the creation of a new community which incorporates 2 neighbouring, rural communities. The recommendation was submitted by the VOGCPWG at the initial consultation stage to combine Ewenny with the neighbouring rural community of St Bride's Major. The Commission agrees that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The Commission recommends utilising the existing community boundary of Ewenny and the community ward boundaries of Ogmore-by-Sea and St Bride's Major to create community wards in the new community. The Commission acknowledges the representations received in opposition to the proposals, however, the Commission is satisfied that the proposals provide improvements to effective and convenient local government and are in-line with the Council Size Policy submitted by the County Council. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 131.

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- 267. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the new Community of Ewenny and St Bride's Major would be 2,607.
- 268. The new community ward of Ewenny would have 623 electors. The new community ward of Ogmore-by-Sea would have 1,143 electors. The new community ward of St Brides Major would have 841 electors.

### **Recommended Names**

- 269. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community name of **Ewenny and St Bride's Major** with the Welsh community name of **Ewenni a Saint-y-brid** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 270. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Ewenny**, and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Ewenni** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 271. The Commission also recommends retaining the English community ward name of **St Bride's Major**, and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Saint-y-brid** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 272. As a result of these recommendations, the Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Ogmore-by-Sea** and the Welsh community ward name of **Aberogwr** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.

### **Consequential Changes**

### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 273. The recommended community council arrangements in the new Community of Ewenny and St Brides Major would consist of 3 wards: Ewenny, Ogmore-by-Sea, and St Brides Major. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 2,607 and be represented by 13 community councillors.
- 274. The Commission is required to recommend electoral arrangements for the new community council that would be created following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community councils can be seen below:

|                   | Ewenny and St Brides Major Community Council (Rural) |                          |                               |                  |          |                          |                               |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|                   | Existing Recommended                                 |                          |                               |                  |          |                          |                               |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wards             | Electors   | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ewenny            | 623  | 8                        | 78                            | -43%             | 623      | 3                        | 208                           | 4%               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ogmore-by-<br>Sea | 1,143  | 5                        | 229                           | 67%              | 1,143    | 6                        | 191                           | -5%              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| St Brides Major   | 841  | 6                        | 140                           | 2%               | 841      | 4                        | 210                           | 5%               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                   | 2,607  | 19                       |                               |                  | 2,607    | 13                       | 201                           |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

The Commission notes that the council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of Ewenny and St Brides Major would be entitled to 17 community councillors which would improve the county wide variance. However, in order to provide effective and convenient local government in-line with the variance across the recommended community area, the Commission has recommended that the Community of Ewenny and St Brides Major be represented by 13 community councillors to provide acceptable levels of variance.

### **Principal council electoral ward arrangements**

- 275. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 276. As the Communities of Ewenny and St Bride's Major are currently within the electoral ward of St Brides Major, the Commission recommends that the electoral ward of St Bride's Major is made up of the new Community of Ewenny and St Brides Major and the new Community of St Donats and Wick which are considered on page 135.

|                 |          | Co          | nsequential (   | Changes to E | lectoral Wa | rd Arrangeme | nts             |          |
|-----------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|
|                 |          | Exis        | ting            |              |             | Recom        | mended          |          |
|                 |          |             | Electors<br>per |              |             |              | Electors<br>per |          |
| Wards           | Electors | Councillors | Councillor      | Variance     | Electors    | Councillors  | Councillor      | Variance |
| St Brides Major | 3,745    | 2           | 1,873           | -3%          | 3,745       | 2            | 1,873           | 4%       |
|                 | 3,745    | 2           | 1,933           |              | 3,745       | 2            | 1,800           |          |

The Community of Ewenny and St Bride's Major kilometres Scale 1:43,520

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### ST DONATS AND WICK

277. The current community council arrangements in St Donats consist of 3 wards: Marcross, Monknash, and St Donats. The community has a total electorate of 338 and is represented by 8 community councillors. The electorate per ward and number of councillors are as follows:

| Community Ward | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|----------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Marcross       | 107        | 3                     |
| Monknash       | 39         | 1                     |
| St Donats      | 192        | 4                     |
| Total          | 338        | 8                     |

278. The current community council of Wick consists of a total electorate of 800 and is represented by 7 community councillors.

| Community | Electorate | Number of Councillors |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------|
| Wick      | 800        | 7                     |
| Total     | 800        | 7                     |

### Representations

- 279. During the initial consultation period the Commission received 3 representations concerning the Communities of St Donats, and Wick from: The Vale of Glamorgan Council Cross Party Working Group (VOGCPWG), St Donats Community Council, and Wick Community Council. The representations are published on the Commission's website.
- 280. During the draft consultation period the Commission received 4 representations concerning the Communities of St Donats and Wick from: VOGCPWG, St Donats Community Council, Wick Community Council and a resident of St Donats. The representations are published on the Commission's website.

### **Community ward boundary recommendations**

- 281. The Commission recommends applying 1 change to the existing community boundaries, which includes the creation of a new community:
  - Creation of a new community known as St Donats and Wick
- 282. The Commission recommends the abolition of the communities of St Donats and Wick and utilise the 2 areas to form the new Community of St Donats and Wick. This involves the creation of a new community which incorporates 2 neighbouring, rural communities. The recommendation was submitted by the VOGCPWG at the initial consultation stage. The Commission agrees that this recommendation provides for more effective and convenient local government. The Commission recommends utilising the existing community ward boundaries of Marcross, Monknash and St Donats and the community boundaries of Wick to create community wards in the new community. The recommendation can be found on the map on page 135.
- 283. As a result of these recommendations, the electorate within the new Community of St Donats and Wick would be 1,138.
- 284. The new community ward of Marcoss would have 107 electors. The new community ward of Monknash would have 39 electors. The new community ward of St Donats would have 192 electors. The new community ward of Wick would have 800 electors.

### **Recommended Names**

- 285. As a result of these recommendations the Commission recommends the new English community name of **St Donats and Wick** with the Welsh community name of **Sain Dunwyd a'r Wig** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 286. The Commission recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **St Donats** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Sain Dunwyd** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 287. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Wick** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Y Wig** as prescribed in the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2021.
- 288. The Commission also recommends retaining the existing English community ward name of **Marcross** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Marcroes** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.
- 289. Finally, the Commission recommends retaining the existing English community name of **Monknash** and recommends the Welsh community ward name of **Yr As Fawr** as recommended by the Welsh Language Commissioner.

### **Consequential Changes**

### **Community Council electoral arrangements**

- 290. The recommended community council arrangements in the new Community of St Donats and Wick would consist of 4 wards: Marcross, Monknash, St Donats, and Wick. The community is recommended to have a total electorate of 1,138 and be represented by 9 community councillors.
- 291. The Commission is required to recommend electoral arrangements for the new community council that would be created following these recommendations. The Commission's recommended electoral arrangements for the community councils can be seen below:

|           |                      |                          | St Donats                     | and Wick Co      | mmunity Co | uncil (Rural)            |                               |                  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|
|           | Existing Recommended |                          |                               |                  |            |                          |                               |                  |  |  |  |  |
| Wards     | Electors             | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) | Electors   | Community<br>Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance<br>(CC) |  |  |  |  |
| Marcross  | 107                  | 3                        | 36                            | -53%             | 107        | 1                        | 107                           | -15%             |  |  |  |  |
| Monknash  | 39                   | 1                        | 39                            | -49%             | 39         | 1                        | 39                            | -69%             |  |  |  |  |
| St Donats | 192                  | 4                        | 48                            | -37%             | 192        | 2                        | 96                            | -24%             |  |  |  |  |
| Wick      | 800                  | 7                        | 114                           | 50%              | 800        | 5                        | 160                           | 27%              |  |  |  |  |
|           | 1,138                | 15                       | 76                            |                  | 1,138      | 9                        | 126                           |                  |  |  |  |  |

The Commission notes that the Council size policy submitted by VOGCPWG would mean that the Community of St Donats and Wick would be entitled to 8 community councillors which would improve the county wide variance. However, in order to provide effective and convenient local government, the Commission has recommended that the community of St Donats and Wick be represented by 9 community councillors to provide acceptable levels of variance across the community area.

### **Principal council electoral ward arrangements**

- 292. The Commission is required to consider the consequential changes to principal council electoral wards that would occur following these recommendations.
- 293. As the Communities of St Donats and Wick are currently within the electoral ward of St Bride's Major, the Commission recommends that the electoral ward of St Bride's Major is made up of the new Community of Ewenny and St Bride's Major which are considered on page 131 and the new Community of St Donats and Wick.

|            |                      | Cor         | nsequential C                 | Changes to E | lectoral W | ard Arrangem | ents                          |          |  |  |  |  |
|------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|
|            | Existing Recommended |             |                               |              |            |              |                               |          |  |  |  |  |
| Wards      | Electors             | Councillors | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance     | Electors   | Councillors  | Electors<br>per<br>Councillor | Variance |  |  |  |  |
| St Bride's |                      |             |                               |              |            |              |                               |          |  |  |  |  |
| Major      | 3,745                | 2           | 1,873                         | -3%          | 3,745      | 2            | 1,873                         | 4%       |  |  |  |  |
|            | 3,745                | 2           | 1,933                         |              | 3,745      | 2            | 1,800                         |          |  |  |  |  |

The Community of St Donats and Wick kilometres Scale 1:28,350

### Chapter 4. RESPONSES TO THIS REPORT

- 1. Having completed the review of the principal council area and submitted the Commission's recommendations to the Welsh Government on the future community arrangements for the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan, the Commission has fulfilled its statutory obligations under the Act.
- 2. It now falls to the Welsh Government, if it thinks fit, to give effect to these recommendations either as submitted, or with modifications. Welsh Government may also decide to take no action.
- 3. Any further comments concerning the matters in this report should be addressed to the Welsh Government. They should be made as soon as possible and, in any event, not later than 6 weeks from the date the Commission's recommendations are submitted to the Welsh Government. Representations should be addressed to:

Local Government Democracy Team Local Government Policy Division Welsh Government Cathays Park Cardiff CF10 3NQ

Or by email to:

LGPolicy.Correspondence@gov.wales

4. For further information on the review and the review process please see the Commissions webpage: <a href="https://www.ldbc.gov.uk">www.ldbc.gov.uk</a>

### Chapter 5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

1. The Commission wishes to express its gratitude to the principal council, all the town and community councils and other interested bodies and persons who made representations to us during the course of developing these final recommendations. We, the undersigned, commend this recommendations report.

**BEVERLEY SMITH (Chair)** 

**MICHAEL IMPERATO (Deputy Chair)** 

**DIANE BEVAN (Member)** 

FRANK CUTHBERT (Member)

**GINGER WIEGAND (Member)** 

**SHEREEN WILLIAMS MBE OStJ (Chief Executive)** 

April 2024

### THE COUNTY BOROUGH OF THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL EXISTING COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

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Ratio is the number of electors per councillor

Electoral figures supplied by the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan Council as at December 2022

20 2023 Greater than + or - 50% of County average Between + or - 25% and + or - 50% of County average Between + or - 10% and + or - 25% of County average Between 0% and + or - 10% of County average

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# THE COUNTY BOROUGH OF THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL RECOMMENDED COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

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| % variance from existing County average | 248%  | %89-  | -51%  | -20%   | -61%  | -83%  | %29-  | %82-  | 1%   | 114%  | %62-   | %69-  | -73%  | N/A                     | -51%  | -75%  | %08-   | %6-  | -40%   |         |
| 2023<br>RATIO                           | 1,771   | 162   | 251   | 408  | 201   | 87  | 229   | 112   | 516  | 1,090   | 105  | 156   | 137   | N/A                     | 249   | 126   | 100  | 466  | 306  | 209     |
| ELECTORATE<br>2023                      | 40,727  | 1,137   | 3,762   | 6,535  | 2,607   | 809   | 1,834   | 1,458   | 7,745  | 18,529  | 838  | 1,401   | 296   | 5,516                   | 2,992   | 1,138   | 1,201  | 3,259                                      | 2,144  | 104,388 |
| No. OF<br>COUNCILLORS                   | 23  | 7   | 15  | 16   | 13  | 2   | 8   | 13  | 15   | 17  | 8  | 6   | 7   |                         | 12  | 6   | 12   | 7  | 7  | 205     |
| DESCRIPTION                             | The Town wards of Baruc, Buttrills, Cadoc, Castleland, Court, Dyfan, Gibbonsdown, Illtyd and Waterfront | The Community wards of Colwinston and Llangan | The Town wards of Aberthin, Cowbridge Central, Cowbridge North, and Lanblethian | The Community wards of Cross Common, Eastbrook, Murch and Twyn | The Community wards of Ewenny, Ogmore-by-sea and St Bride's Major | The Community wards of Llancarfan and Llantrithyd | The Community wards of Llandough, Leckwith and Michaelston-le-Pit | The Community wards of Llandow, Llanmihangel, Llysworney, Llanfair, St lHilary and Llanmaes | The Town wards of Boverton, North, South East and West | The Town wards of Cornerswell, St Augustine's, Stanwell, Plymouth and Cosmeston | Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats   The Community wards of Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats | The Community wards of Llansannor, Penllyn and Ystradowen | The Community wards of Peterston-super-Ely, St Bride's-super-Ely and St Georges-super-Ely | The Community of Rhoose | The Community wards of Flemingston, Gileston and St Athan | The Community wards of Marcross, Monknash, St Donats and Wick | The Community wards of St Nicholas, Bonvilston and Dyffryn | The Community wards of Sully and Lavernock | The Community wards of Brooklands and Wenvoe | TOTAL:  |
| COMMUNITY NAME                          | Barry Town  | Colwinston and Llangan                        | Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town  | Dinas Powys  | Ewenny and St Bride's Major                                       | Llancarfan  | Llandough and Cwrtyrala   | Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes  | Llantwit Major Town                                    | Penarth Town  | Pendoylan and Welsh St Donats  | Penllyn   | Peterston and St Georges  | Rhoose                  | St Athan  | St Donats and Wick  | St Nicholas and Bonvilston                                 | Sully and Lavernock                        | Wenvoe                                       |         |
| No.                                     | 1   | 7   | ε   | 4  | 9   | 9   | 7   | 8   | 6  | 10  | 11   | 12  | 13  | 14                      | 15  | 16  | 17   | 18   | 19   |         |

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Greater than + or - 50% of County average
Between + or - 25% and + or - 50% of County average
Between + or - 10% and + or - 25% of County average
Between 0% and + or - 10% of County average

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## THE COUNTY BOROUGH OF THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL RECOMMENDED COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

|   |   | Appendix 3                                      |   |   |   |   |   |   |                                      |   |   |  |  |   |                |   |          |        |                                   |  |   |  |  |  |                                 |  |         |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|----------------|---|----------|--------|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------|--|---------|
| % variance from proposed County average | -15%  | -14%  | 1%  | -21%  | 15%   | -61%  | %2  | -4%   | %6-                                  | 4%  | %8  | 20%  | 2%   | 44%   | %8             | %0  | 30%      | 2%     | -17%                              | 4%   | %0  | 2%   | -5%  | %6-  | 19%                             | -13%   |         |
| Recom<br>mended<br>RATIO                | 1,537                                       | 1,554   | 1,810                                       | 1,415   | 2,065   | 269   | 1,923                                       | 1,721   | 1,634                                | 1,866                                       | 1,943   | 2,156  | 1,834  | 2,595   | 1,936          | 1,795   | 2,338    | 1,839  | 1,496                             | 1,873  | 1,808   | 1,835  | 1,763  | 1,630  | 2,144                           | 1,570  | 1.800   |
| ELECTORATE -<br>RECOMMENDED             | 4,612                                       | 3,107   | 7,241                                       | 2,829   | 4,129   | 693   | 3,846                                       | 5,163   | 6,535                                | 5,598                                       | 3,886   | 6,468  | 1,834  | 2,595   | 7,745          | 1,795   | 4,675    | 5,516  | 2,992                             | 3,745  | 1,808   | 5,506  | 3,526  | 3,259  | 2,144                           | 3,140  | 104,387 |
| No. OF<br>COUNCILLORS<br>(Proposed)     | 3   | 2   | 4   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4                                    | 3   | 2   | 3  | 1  | 1   | 4              | 1   | 2        | 3      | 2                                 | 2  | 1   | 3  | 2  | 2  | 1                               | 2  | 28      |
|   | The Baruc [4,612] ward of the Town of Barry | The Buttrills [3,107] ward of the Town of Barry | The Cadoc [7,241] ward of the Town of Barry | The Casteland [2,829] ward of the Town of Barry | The Cornerswell [4,129] ward of the Town of Penarth | The Cosmeston [693] ward of the Town of Penarth | The Court [3,846] ward of the Town of Barry | The Town of Cowbridge with Llanblethian [3,762] and the Community of Penlyn [1,401] | The Community of Dinas Powys [6,535] | The Dyfan [5,598] ward of the Town of Barry | The Gibbonsdown [3,886] ward of the Town of Barry | The Illtyd [6,468] ward of the Town of Barry | The Community of Llandough and Cwrtyrala [1,834] | The Communities of Colwinston and Llangan [1,137], and Llandow, Llanfair and Llanmaes [1,458] |                | The Communities of Pendoylan and Welsh St. Donats [838], Peterston and St Georges-super-Ely [957] |          |        | The Community of St Athan [2,992] | The Communities of Ewenny and St. Brides Major [2,607], and St Donats and Wick [1,138] | The Communities of Llancarfan [608], and St Nicholas and Bonvilston [1,201] | The St Augustine's [5,506] ward of the Town of Penarth | The Stanwell [3,502] ward of the Town of Penarth | The Community of Sully and Lavernock [3,259] | The Community of Wenvoe [2,144] | The Waterfront [3,140] ward of the Town of Barry | TOTAL:  |
| NAME                                    | Baruc                                       | Buttrills                                       | Cadoc                                       | Castleland                                      | Cornerswell   | Cosmeston                                       | Court                                       | Cowbridge   | Dinas Powys                          | Dyfan                                       | Gibbonsdown                                       | Illtyd                                       | Llandough  | Llandow   | Llantwit Major | Peterston Super-Ely   | Plymouth | Rhoose | St Athan                          | St Brides Major  | St Nicholas and Llancarfan  | St Augustine's   | Stanwell   | Sully  | Wenvoe                          | Waterfront                                       |         |
| No.                                     | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 2   | 9   | 7   | 8   | 6                                    | 10  | 11  | 12   | 13   | 14  | 15             | 16  | 17       | 18     | 19                                | 20   | 21  | 22   | 23   | 24   | 22                              | 56   |         |

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