

General Purposes Committee Meeting	Agenda Item:
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Meeting Date	24 October 2011
Report Title	Review of Polling Districts, Places and Stations
Portfolio Holder	Leader
SMT Lead	Abdool Kara
Head of Service	Monica Blades-Chase
Lead Officer	Katherine Bescoby
Key Decision	No
Classification	Open
Forward Plan	N/A

Recommendations	1. That the General Purposes Committee considers the feedback to the consultation.
	2. That the General Purposes Committee recommends to Council that the existing polling districts be retained, as set out in Appendix III.
	3. That the General Purposes Committee considers whether to recommend to Council that the polling places for the following wards are extended to allow more flexibility for the Returning Officer when designating the polling station. The Committee may wish to make comments regarding the alternative venues proposed and existing arrangements in place (details are in Appendix I): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Queenborough and Halfway; (b) St. Anns; and (c) St. Michaels.
	4. That the General Purposes Committee recommends to Council that it notes the (Acting) Returning Officers' representations as set out in Appendix II.
	5. That the General Purposes Committee considers whether to recommend to Council that the polling place for the SWS polling district (Sheerness West Ward) is extended to cover the whole polling district so that alternative venues can be explored. (Details are in Appendix II).
	6. That subject to (3) and (5) above, the General Purposes Committee recommends to Council that all other polling places be retained.

Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

- 1.1 The Council is required to undertake a review of polling districts and places by the end of 2011. The purpose of the review is to ensure that all electors in the Borough have reasonable facilities for voting and that, as far as is reasonable and practicable, facilities for voting are accessible for disabled people.
- 1.2 This report sets out the results from the consultation regarding the current arrangements, and asks the General Purposes Committee to consider those responses and make recommendations to Council regarding polling districts and polling places.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Electoral Administration Act 2006 introduced a requirement for Councils to undertake a review of polling districts and places in 2007 and every four years thereafter. In practice, however, we do monitor this more regularly and have when necessary made arrangements for alternative polling places/stations with the agreement of the Council/(Acting) Returning Officer. For example, for the elections in May 2011 the Council made changes to two polling places (Preston Church Schoolrooms and Seashells) so that the Returning Officer could designate those places as polling stations.
- 2.2 It may be useful to clarify that the Council is responsible for setting the polling district (a geographical area of a ward) and polling places (a geographical area within a polling district that the polling station must be located within). The (Acting) Returning Officer is responsible for locating the polling station which must be within the polling place.
- 2.3 On 29 July 2011 the Council published notice of the review which this particularly welcomed representations from any elector and from any person or body with expertise in access for persons with any type of disability. The notice was published on the website and at each of the district offices, and all councillors, county councillors, parish clerks, and MPs were made aware of the review, as were recent election agents and the Swale Community Empowerment network. A press release was also issued.
- 2.4 As part of the review of polling places/stations, consideration has been given to the guidance provided by the Electoral Commission in terms of the maximum number of voters that can be allocated to a polling station. More details about this are contained at the end of Appendix I.

- 2.5 Now that the Council has moved to whole Council elections, there are no planned elections scheduled for May 2012. However, there will be elections for Police Commissioners taking place on 15 November 2012, which the Returning Officer and his elections team will be responsible for organising for the Swale Borough Council area. It is likely that the annual canvass for 2012 will take place earlier than usual to avoid the election taking place within the canvass period. Further guidance is awaited regarding this. There may also, of course, be one or more by-elections.
- 2.6 Members will also be aware that there is the Local Government Boundary Commission is undertaking a Further Electoral Review of Swale Borough Council. Once the outcome of that review is known, there will a further formal review of polling districts and places to take account of any changes to ward boundaries.

3 Proposal

- 3.1 There has been one representation (see Appendix I) to make a minor alteration to the WOS and WOT polling districts (in the Woodstock ward). However, given that there will be a further review after the outcome of the Further Electoral Review is known and we have not received any representations from members of the public, it is proposed to maintain existing arrangements for polling districts at this time.
- 3.2 In respect of polling places, you will see in Appendix I that we have received some representations to increase the number of polling places in some areas, or to change some of the polling places. In respect of suggestions to increase polling places in Grove, Kemsley and Milton Regis wards, we have reviewed the size of the electorate for those polling districts and do not consider that any changes should be made to the existing arrangements at this time, as outlined in Appendix I. This will of course be kept under review.
- 3.3 With regard to suggestions for alternative polling places in Queenborough and Halfway, St. Anns and St. Michaels, it is suggested that for the time being, the polling places for those particular polling districts are extended to cover the whole ward. This would allow officers time to explore the alternative options suggested once work on the annual canvass is completed, and would give the Returning Officer flexibility to designate the polling station within a larger polling place. In the meantime, Members may wish to make comments regarding the alternative polling stations suggested and the current venues.
- 3.4 Appendix II sets out representations made by the (Acting) Returning Officer for Sittingbourne and Sheppey. Members may wish to consider whether there are any suitable alternative venues to the West Minster Primary School (SWS polling district – Sheerness West ward). At the time of writing this report, no feedback has been received from the ward members.

4 Alternative Options

- 4.1 The General Purposes Committee may make alternative recommendations such as to change the polling districts and/or polling places proposed. However, the proposals do meet the aim of the review (i.e. to provide reasonable facilities for voting) and also are within the Electoral Commission guidance regarding the number of voters at polling stations. Members are therefore encouraged not to make any polling district changes at this time, given that this will have implications for the revised version of the Electoral Register which will be published on 1 December 2011. Furthermore, as there will be a further formal review once the outcome of the Further Electoral Review is known, changing polling districts now is likely to cause confusion caused to the electorate.
- 4.2 If the General Purposes Committee is not minded to recommend that the Council extends the polling places for certain wards/polling districts, then Members may wish to continue with the existing arrangements for polling places at this time. This could be kept under review and a further report made to the General Purposes Committee/Council at a later date.

5 Consultation Undertaken or Proposed

- 5.1 Details of the consultation process are set out in paragraph 2.3. Responses received are contained in Appendix I. The (Acting) Returning Officer for Sittingbourne and Sheppey also made observations and these are attached at Appendix II. The (Acting) Returning Officer for Faversham and Mid Kent has confirmed that he is happy with existing arrangements.
- 5.2 All ward members have been consulted regarding the comments received and initial response and at the time of writing this report no feedback has been received from ward members.

6 Implications

Issue	Implications
Corporate Plan	High Performing Organisation
Financial, Resource and Property	Increasing the number of polling places (and therefore stations) will result in additional cost such as hire charges for the building, additional polling stations staff, equipment and delivery costs etc.
Legal and Statutory	The Electoral Administration Act 2006 requires the Council to undertake a review by end of 2011 and every four years thereafter; however, polling stations are kept under constant review.
Crime and Disorder	None identified at this time.

Risk Management and Health and Safety	The purpose of the review is to ensure that all voters have reasonable facilities for voting. It is important that venues meet health and safety requirements so as not to put voters at risk. Polling Station staff are encouraged to give feedback on venues and each station is visited by a Polling Station Inspector on election day.
Equality and Diversity	The purpose of the review is to ensure that all electors in the Borough have reasonable facilities for voting, and that as far as is reasonable and practicable; facilities for voting are accessible for disabled people.
Sustainability	None identified at this stage

7 Appendices

- 7.1 The following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report:
- Appendix I: Responses to the Consultation, Initial Comments and Electoral Commission ratios
 - Appendix II: (Acting) Returning Officer representations for Sittingbourne and Sheppey Constituency.
 - Appendix III: Existing polling arrangements

8 Background Papers

- 8.1 Reports to Council and Minutes – 23 February 2011 and 24 February 2010. Reports to the Executive 10 October 2007 and Minute, recommended to Council 21 November 2007.

Responses to the Consultation, Initial Comments and Electoral Commission ratios

Ward	Polling District (s)	Comment received	Category	Initial Response
East Downs	ETH	Happy with current arrangement (mobile on village green) (Throwley Parish Council)	No change	No proposal to change current polling place
Grove	GBW and GN GS	I would like the review to consider the possibility of an additional polling station for the Meads development, since their nearest station is currently Bobbing Village Hall. If a mobile polling station were used, this could be sited in the vicinity of the shops/Jenny Wren pub, which all residents are familiar with. Also, the Adelaide Drive estate (part of Grove South) is a significant distance from the Grove Park School polling station, and requires people to cross the A2 to get there. Consequently, a nearer site for the polling stations would be useful. (SBC Councillor Gareth Randall)	Additional station	Eligible electorate for elections on 5 May 2011 was: GBW and GN – 23,02 GS – 2,014 As this meets the criteria provided by the Electoral Commission, there is no proposal to change the polling place at this time. However, this will be kept under close review as part of the next review, which will be required following the Boundary Review.
Kemsley	KN	Kemsley Village Hall - this is not ideal for voters in polling district KN (Kemsley North) as there is no easy road access from the new housing areas to the north. Seek new polling place in KN. (KCC Cllr Mike Whiting)	Additional station	Eligible electorate for elections on 5 May 2011 was: KN - 969 (KC – 1,892) As this meets the criteria provided by the Electoral Commission (see appendix II), there is no proposal to change the polling place at this time. However, this will be kept under close review as part of the next review, which will be required following the outcome of the Boundary

				Review. Suggestions are welcome for possible alternative venues.
Milton Regis	MRN and MRS	Though central, the station is not with walking distance of much of the ward. A second polling station could improve turnout in this ward which has a traditionally low engagement. A second station be found, possible shared use with CN polling station. (KCC Cllr Mike Whiting)	Additional station	Eligible electorate for elections on 5 May 2011 was: MRN – 1,672 MRS – 1,785 As this meets the criteria provided by the Electoral Commission (see Appendix II), there is no proposal to change the polling place at this time. However, this will be kept under close review as part of the next review, which will be required following the Boundary Review.
Queenborough and Halfway	QHE and QHW	Halfway Houses Primary School - suggestion that we look at alternative venues to avoid the need to close the school. (Member of public - Mr James Thatcher) When asked to give some suggestions for alternative venues, the following venues were suggested. Sheerness East Working Men's Club, St Peters Hall, and Sheppey Sports Club.	Alternative station	We can look at alternative options to see whether suitable; however, the Returning Officer is entitled to use of schools as polling stations. In addition to the alternative venues suggested (which will be explored) the St. John's Ambulance Hall may also be a suitable venue.
St Anns		Retain current polling stations. In the event of the possible future closure of the Youth Centre, Members would ask that an alternative Polling Station should be provided as near to this site as possible. (Faversham Town Council) When asked for possible alternatives these were suggested: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Faversham Gospel Mission Church at corner of Napleton Road and Tanners Street▪ a function room at The Bull pub	No change but alternative station if necessary	Enquiries have been made with KCC and at this point in time no decision has been made regarding the future of the youth centre. There is a public consultation taking place (Kent Youth Consultation) which runs until end of October. The officer at KCC was unable to give any indication of when the outcome of the consultation would be known or when any decision would be made (if any) regarding the future of the venue.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a function room at The Almshouses ▪ the Catholic Church hall ▪ the Arden Theatre ▪ possible Mobile Unit sited on western end of Central Car park 		It is therefore proposed that the current arrangement is maintained, but that we keep a close eye on the situation.
St Ann's	FSE	Faversham Youth Centre - concern that this venue could close. (SBC Member Councillor Mike Cosgrove)	Alternative station if necessary	As above
St Michaels	SMS	<p>Apparently the whole of St.Michael's uses Wyvern Hall as a polling station, but this is quite distant for those at the southern end of that ward. Therefore, perhaps the review should consider using Fulston Manor or Highsted schools to serve the southern part of St. Michael's. (KCC Cllr Mike Whiting)</p> <p>Too far. Eden Village and others not well served. New polling station at Fulston Manor School. (KCC Cllr Mike Whiting)</p>	Alternative station	<p>Wyvern Hall is used as a double station for the St Michaels ward.</p> <p>Legislation allows for us to use schools that are publicly funded to be used as polling places free of charge. We are also entitled to use, free of charge, any publicly funded room as a polling station. Whilst there is no hire charge, we will need to pay for any lighting, heating, etc costs incurred when using such rooms as polling stations. However, in terms of use of secondary schools, we do try to avoid use of those schools where it would be necessary for the School to close, as May is often a time when the students sit exams.</p> <p>Fulston Manor School was suggested as a venue for a polling station in 2007. To quote from the report: 'A site visit has been undertaken and there is a suitable room, with access from the roundabout (rather than the main school entrance) with plenty of parking. Unfortunately the school have advised that the hire of this venue is not possible, due to the room</p>

				being used for key stage 3 SATS.’ We can explore options with Highsted School further and check whether there are any options available at Fulston Manor School. We have not received any comments from electors about the location of their polling station.
Those within Faversham and Mid Kent Constituency		The Acting Returning Officer is happy with current arrangements. (Democratic Services Manager, Maidstone Borough Council)	No change	No changes are proposed.
Watling Ward	FW	Retain current polling stations. (Faversham Town Council)	No change	No changes are proposed
Woodstock	WOT	Ideal for those living in the village. Suggest moving WOT electors living in roads north of Tunstall Road (excluding those who live in Tunstall Road) into WOS. (KCC Cllr Mike Whiting)	Change to polling district	Given that there will be a further review of polling districts following the Further Electoral Review of Swale Borough Council, which is likely to result in changes to the ward boundaries, it is suggested that existing arrangements are maintained to avoid any confusion to the electorate.
Wards in Swale Central Division		With the exception of the comments made above by Cllr Mike Whiting, Cllr Whiting is happy with the arrangements for the remaining polling districts and places in his division.	No change	No changes are proposed.

Extract from the Guidance issued by the Chair of the Electoral Commission (in capacity as Chief Counting Officer for the Referendum that took place on 5 May 2011)

In those parts of the voting area where there are (local) elections:

- A polling station must not have more than 2,500 electors allocated to it
- In addition to a Presiding Officer, there must be one Poll Clerk for polling stations with up to 750 electors.
- One additional Poll Clerk must be appointed for polling stations with up to 1,500 electors.
- One further Poll Clerk must be appointed for polling stations with up to the maximum of 2,500 electors.

In those parts of the voting area where there are no elections (i.e. just the referendum):

- A polling station must not have more than 2,500 electors allocated to it.
- In addition to a Presiding Officer, there must be one Poll Clerk for polling stations with up to 1,000 electors.
- One additional Poll Clerk must be appointed for polling stations with up to 1,750 electors.
- One further Poll Clerk must be appointed for polling stations with up to the maximum of 2,500 electors.

(Acting) Returning Officer representations for Sittingbourne and Sheppey Constituency

At the elections held on 5 May 2011, I took the opportunity to assess the suitability of the polling stations that were in use during the day. The majority of stations were found to be suitable for their purpose; however, there are a few stations where I have made a few observations for the review. I did not receive any complaints from electors regarding the suitability of polling stations on 5 May 2011.

PD	POLLING PLACE/STATION	CONSTITUENCY	COMMENT
Queenborough and Halfway Borough Ward			
QQ	Queenborough Library, Railway Terrace, Queenborough, Sheerness, Kent, ME11 5AY	Sittingbourne and Sheppey	This venue has good facilities but is quite small, so we may need to consider whether there is a larger venue available in the future.
Sheerness West Borough Ward			
SWS	West Minster Primary School, St. Georges Ave, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 1ET	Sittingbourne and Sheppey	This venue offers good facilities but the Headmaster has asked if it is possible to find an alternative venue, to avoid the need to close the school on Election Day. It should be noted that the (Acting) Returning Officer is entitled to use free of charge schools maintained or assisted by a local authority; however, I am happy to consider any suitable alternative venues that may be available.
Sheppey Central Borough Ward			
SCS	County Library, Minster Road, Minster, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 3NP	Sittingbourne and Sheppey	This venue hosts two polling stations. Due to increasing development, it may be necessary to consider if other venues are available in the future.
SCW	County Library, Minster Road, Minster, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 3NP	Sittingbourne and Sheppey	
St. Michaels Borough Ward			
SMN	Wyvern Hall, Central Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 4NT	Sittingbourne and Sheppey	This is a central venue. However, I understand that the lighting in the venue is quite dim and there have been some comments made by polling station staff and electors in the past.
SMS	Wyvern Hall, Central Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 4NT	Sittingbourne and Sheppey	

Abdool Kara, (Acting) Returning Officer, July 2011

Existing polling arrangements

This document sets out the polling district (PD), polling place and station for each Borough ward. It is the Council's responsibility to agree the polling district and polling place. The polling station is designated by the (Acting) Returning Officer, but must be within the polling place.

PD	POLLING PLACE/STATION	CONSTITUENCY
Abbey Borough Ward		
FAE (Abbey East)	St.Mary Of Charity Primary School, Orchard Place, Faversham, Kent, ME13 8AP	Faversham and Mid Kent
FAW (Abbey West)	St.Mary Of Charity Primary School, Orchard Place, Faversham, Kent, ME13 8AP	Faversham and Mid Kent
Borden Borough Ward		
B (Borden)	Borden Parish Hall, School Lane, Borden Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 8JS	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Boughton & Courtenay Borough Ward		
BBO (Boughton)	Boughton Village Hall, Boughton, Faversham, Kent, ME13 9AH	Faversham and Mid Kent
BDU (Dunkirk)	Dunkirk Village Hall, Dunkirk, Faversham, Kent, ME13 9LL	Faversham and Mid Kent
BFW (Faversham without)	Graveney Village Hall, Sandbanks Lane, Graveney, Faversham, Kent, ME13 9DQ	Faversham and Mid Kent
BGO (Goodnestone)	Graveney Village Hall, Sandbanks Lane, Graveney, Faversham, Kent, ME13 9DQ	Faversham and Mid Kent
BGR (Graveney)	Graveney Village Hall, Sandbanks Lane, Graveney, Faversham, Kent, ME13 9DQ	Faversham and Mid Kent
BHE (Hernhill)	Hernhill Village Hall, Hernhill, Faversham, Kent, ME13 9JU	Faversham and Mid Kent
BSE (Selling)	Selling Village Hall, The Street, Selling, Faversham, Kent, ME13 9RQ	Faversham and Mid Kent
BSH (Sheldwich)	Village Hall, Sheldwich, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0NG	Faversham and Mid Kent
Chalkwell Borough Ward		
CN (Chalkwell North)	New House Sports & Youth Club, Chalkwell Road, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 2LP	Sittingbourne and Sheppey

PD	POLLING PLACE/STATION	CONSTITUENCY
CS (Chalkwell South)	The Westlands Primary School (Please note new name for Woodgrove School), Homewood Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 1XN	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Davington Priory Borough Ward		
FD (Davington Priory)	Davington C.P School, Priory Row, Faversham, Kent, ME13 7EQ	Faversham and Mid Kent
East Downs Borough Ward		
EBA (Badlesmere)	Village Hall, Sheldwich, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0NG	Faversham and Mid Kent
EDO (Doddington)	Village Hall, Doddington, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 0BH	Faversham and Mid Kent
EE (Eastling)	Eastling Village Hall, Eastling, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0BA	Faversham and Mid Kent
ELE (Leaveland)	Village Hall, Sheldwich, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0NG	Faversham and Mid Kent
ENE (Newnham)	Newnham Village Hall, The Street, Newnham, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 0LW	Faversham and Mid Kent
EOS (Ospringe)	Whitehill Chapel, Painters Forstal, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0DU	Faversham and Mid Kent
EST (Stalisfield)	Memorial Hall, Stalisfield, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0HY	Faversham and Mid Kent
ETH (Throwley)	Portacabin On The Green, Throwley Forstal, Faversham, Kent	Faversham and Mid Kent
Grove Borough Ward		
GBE (Bobbing East)	Grove Park C.P School, Hilton Drive,, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 1PT	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
GBW (Bobbing West)	Bobbing Village Hall, Sheppey Way, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 8PL	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
GN (Grove North)	Bobbing Village Hall, Sheppey Way, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 8PL	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
GS (Grove South)	Grove Park C.P School, Hilton Drive,, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 1PT	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Hartlip, Newington & Upchurch Borough Ward		
HH (Hartlip)	Hartlip Village Hall, Hartlip, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 7TH	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
HN (Newington)	Newington Village Hall, High Street, Newington, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 7JT	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
HU (Upchurch)	Upchurch Village Hall, Upchurch, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 7EU	Sittingbourne and Sheppey

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Iwade & Lower Halstow Borough Ward		
II (Iwade)	Iwade Village Hall, Ferry Road, Iwade, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 8RG	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
IL (Lower Halstow)	Memorial Hall, School Lane, Lower Halstow, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 7ES	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Kemsley Borough Ward		
KC (Kemsley Central)	Kemsley Village Hall, The Square, Ridham Avenue, Kemsley, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 2SL	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
KN (Kemsley North)	Kemsley Village Hall, The Square, Ridham Avenue, Kemsley, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 2SL	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
KS (Kemsley South)	Clock Tower Hall, Adisham Green, Kemsley, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 2RQ	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Leysdown & Warden Borough Ward		
LL (Leysdown)	Leysdown Village Hall, Wing Road, Leysdown, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 4QR	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
LW (Warden)	Warden Village Hall, Warden Bay Road, Warden Bay, Sheppey, Kent, ME12 4NB	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Milton Regis Borough Ward		
MRN (Milton Regis North)	Milton Court C.P.School, Brewery Road, Milton Regis, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 2EE	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
MRS (Milton Regis South)	Milton Court C.P.School, Brewery Road, Milton Regis, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 2EE	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Minster Cliffs Borough Ward		
MCC (Minster Cliffs Central)	Minster C.P.School, Brecon Chase, Minster, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 2HX	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
MCE (Minster Cliffs East)	St.Georges Primary School, Chequers Road, Minster, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 3QU	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
MCW (Minster Cliffs West)	Communal Lounge, Invicta Lodge, Kent Avenue, Minster, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 2DZ	Sittingbourne and Sheppey

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Murston Borough Ward		
MUN (Murston North)	Murston Junior School, Sunny Bank, Murston, Sittingbourne,, Kent, ME10 3QN	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
MUS (Murston South)	Lansdowne Primary School, Gladstone Drive, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3BH	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Queenborough & Halfway Borough Ward		
QHE (Halfway East)	Halfway Houses C.P School, Southdown Road, Halfway, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 3BE	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
QHW (Halfway West)	Halfway Houses C.P School, Southdown Road, Halfway, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 3BE	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
QQ (Queenborough)	Queenborough Library, Railway Terrace, Queenborough, Sheerness, Kent, ME11 5AY	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
QR (Rushenden)	Communal Lounge, Manor Close, Rushenden, Sheerness, Kent, ME11 5NB	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Roman Borough Ward		
RE (Roman East)	Gymnasium, Sittingbourne Comm.College, Swanstree Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 4NL	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
RW (Roman West)	South Avenue Infants School, South Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 4SU	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Sheerness East Borough Ward		
SEE (Sheerness East East)	Richmond Primary School, Nursery Close, St. Helen's Road, Sheerness Kent, ME12 2QT	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
SEW (Sheerness East West)	Sheerness County Youth Club, The Broadway, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 1TP	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Sheerness West Borough Ward		
SWN (Sheerness West North)	The polling place is the Seashells Children and Families Centre, Rose Street, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 1AW and the Rose Street CP School, Rose Street. The (Acting) Returning Officer has designated the Seashells Children and Families Centre as the polling station.	Sittingbourne and Sheppey

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SWS (Sheerness West South)	West Minster Primary School, St.Georges Ave, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 1ET	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Sheppey Central Borough Ward		
SCE (Eastchurch)	Eastchurch Village Hall, Warden Road, Eastchurch, Sheppey, Kent, ME12 4EJ	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
SCM (Sheppey Central Mid)	Minster C.P School, Minster Road, Minster, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 2HX	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
SCS (Sheppey Central South)	County Library, Minster Road, Minster, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 3NP	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
SCW (Sheppey Central West)	County Library, Minster Road, Minster, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 3NP	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
St Ann's Borough Ward		
FSE (St. Ann's East)	Faversham Youth Centre, South House, 46 South Road, Faversham, Kent, ME13 7LR	Faversham and Mid Kent
FSW (St. Ann's West)	Bysingwood Community Centre, Wildish Road, Faversham, Kent, ME13 7RN	Faversham and Mid Kent
St Michael's Borough Ward		
SMN (St. Michael's North)	Wyvern Hall, Central Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 4NT	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
SMS (St. Michael's South)	Wyvern Hall, Central Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 4NT	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Teynham & Lynsted Borough Ward		
TLL (Luddenham)	Oare Village Hall, Church Road, Oare, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0QA	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
TLO (Oare)	Oare Village Hall, Church Road, Oare, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0QA	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
TLT (Tonge)	Bapchild Village Hall, Bapchild, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 9NL	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
TLY (Lynsted with Kingsdown)	Lynsted & Norton School, Lynsted Lane, Lynsted, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 0RL	Sittingbourne and Sheppey

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TNB (Norton, Buckland and Stone)	Norton Village Hall, Norton, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0SW	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
TTN (Teynham North)	Teynham Village Hall, Belle Friday Close, Teynham, Kent, ME9 9TU	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
TTS (Teynham South)	Teynham Village Hall, Belle Friday Close, Teynham, Kent, ME9 9TU	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Watling Borough Ward		
FEW (Watling East)	Preston Church Schoolroom, Preston Lane, Faversham, Kent, ME13 8LG	Faversham and Mid Kent
FWW (Watling West)	Ethelbert Rd Primary School, Ethelbert Road, Faversham, Kent, ME13 8SQ	Faversham and Mid Kent
West Downs Borough Ward		
WBA (Bapchild)	Bapchild Village Hall, Bapchild, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 9NL	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
WBR (Bredgar)	Bredgar Village Hall, Bexon Lane, Bredgar, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 8HB	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
WDM (Milstead)	Milstead Village Hall, Milstead, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 OSD	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
WDR (Rodmersham)	Village Hall, Rodmersham Green, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 0PL	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
Woodstock Borough Ward		
WON (Woodstock North)	Minterne Junior School, Minterne Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 1SB	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
WOS (Woodstock South)	Minterne Junior School, Minterne Avenue, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 1SB	Sittingbourne and Sheppey
WOT (Tunstall)	Tunstall Village Memorial Hall, Tunstall Road, Tunstall, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 1YZ	Sittingbourne and Sheppey