

REPORT TO: Town Council – 26th September 2022
REPORT ON: Recommendations from Committees
REPORT BY: Responsible Finance Officer
REPORT DATE: 23rd September 2022

Planning & Development Committee – 31st August 2022

No recommendations.

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Parks, Open Spaces and Environment Committee – 5th September 2022

No recommendations.

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REPORT TO: Town Council – 26th September 2022
REPORT ON: Daventry Transport Development Group
REPORT BY: Chief Officer
REPORT DATE: 7 September 2022

In 2020 a campaign was started by a young school-based entrepreneur, Harry Burr. He noticed the lack of a good rail network in Northamptonshire and beyond and undertook to gather other stakeholders from authorities and the rail industry, together with the aim to reconnect towns and people to a more accessible transport network. One such project was the formation of Daventry Transport Development Group (DTDG) whilst for the wider scope he and 3 others set up Sustainable Transport Midlands which became a CIC in 2022.

An initial meeting of DTDG was held on 2nd March 2022, attended by

Sustainable Transport – Midlands	Harry Burr
West Northamptonshire Council	Cllr P Larratt, Chris Wragg
Transport for West Midlands	Toby Rackliff
West Midlands Rail Executive	Toby Rackliff
Long Buckby Parish Council	Julie Hill
Weedon Bec Parish Council	Fiona Thomas
Daventry Town Council	Cllr John Tippett, Cllr Wendy Randall
Owen O'Neill	Private

Following which Cllr Tippett submitted a report to Council on the group's aims and subsequently members resolved to support the Daventry Transport Development Group and appoint Cllr Tippett and the Chief Officer to their group.

Since the meeting in March, Harry Burr and others, including Councillor Tippett, have worked on creating an online survey/consultation to inform a vision for active and public transport networks by 2050 within the Daventry area. There is also a website that has been created to represent this vision, scheduled for a public launch later this year at The ICON due to its Sustainable nature.

Due to changes in Harry Burr's career path, Harry has resigned from his role as Project Executive but has advised he will remain a stakeholder, if required, for this project. Subsequently, Sustainable Transport Midlands (STM) is looking for a replacement to manage the project.

Following discussions STM directors, the following options were proposed:

- 1) Daventry Town Council adopts the Sustainable Transport Midlands 'Project Franchising' option. The Project Franchising model is designed to allow external organisations (known as Project Managers) to 'manage and support' or 'Lead' a Sustainable Transport Midlands project without taking ownership of it entirely. For example, a local council with limited transport experience and/or resources can lead on a Sustainable Transport Midlands project without taking ownership of it per-sey.

The project will still be required to follow STM standards and practices. *DTC* (the "Project Manager") would chair the Stakeholder Committee.

- 2) Daventry Town Council take full ownership of the project, with STM remaining a member of the DTC-chaired Stakeholder Committee. This would mean DTC don't have to follow STM standards, but would still gain support from STM in the longer term.

As a DTC representative on the DTDG I would recommend that DTC continues to appoint representatives to the DTDG and manages the project via either of the aforementioned options.

REPORT TO: Town Council – 26th September 2022
REPORT ON: West Northamptonshire Boundary Review
REPORT BY: Cllr Alan Knape
REPORT DATE: 22nd September 2022

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) is currently carrying out a review of the ward boundaries for West Northamptonshire Council (WNC). The first stage is already concluded and the LGBCE have announced that the number of councillors be reduced from 93 to 77.

The second stage of the review is for local stakeholders to suggest the new warding pattern for the council. At this stage any individual or organisation to suggest a warding pattern for any area from a single ward to the whole council area. It would be sensible for Daventry Town Council to make a submission for parish area. Under WNCs predicted population growth the Daventry Town area should have around five councillors. These councillors can represent between two and five wards. The submission should be completed by 7th November 2022.

For the submission the LGBCE wants;

1. Members to represent an equal number of electors (within 10%).
2. The warding pattern represent community identities and interests.
3. The warding pattern to promote effective and convenient local council.

Once this stage is completed the LGBCE will release it's draft proposals on 7th February and stakeholder will be able to submit comments until 17th April 2023. They will then release their final proposal on 4th July 2023. The proposal will then be submitted to Parliament will the aim for the legislation to be in place for autumn/winter 2024.

Recommendation

That the Council forms a working group to create a submission to be approved by the council on 31st October to be submitted to the Local Boundary Commission for England for the warding pattern for the Daventry Town area by 7th November 2022.

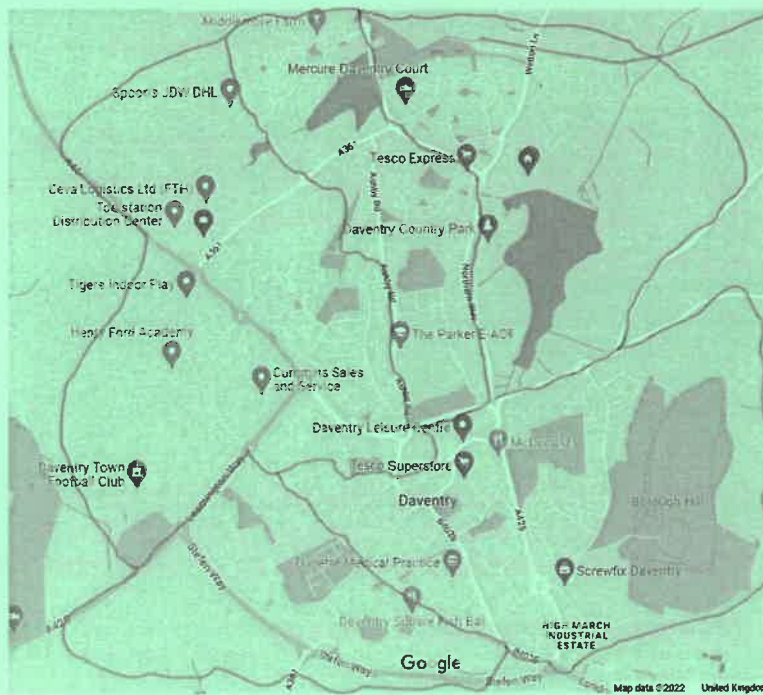
Attachments – Potential warding pattern for Daventry Town area

Potential Wards for Daventry Town - WNC boundary review

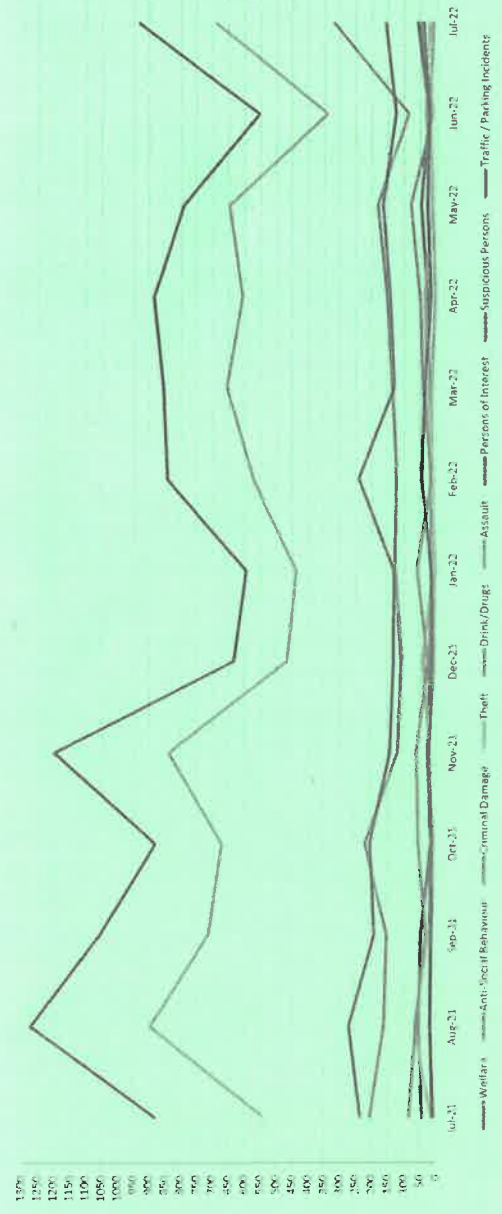
Polling District	New Ward Name	Current Ward	2022 Pop	Variance	2028 Population	Variance
ADW2 - New Forest Way	Ashby Fields & Middlemore	Daventry West	411		438	
ADW4 - Daneholme	Ashby Fields & Middlemore	Daventry West	551		565	
ADW5 - Ashby Park	Ashby Fields & Middlemore	Daventry West	216		239	
ABC12 - Middlemore	Ashby Fields & Middlemore	Braunston and Crick	1,635		2,130	
ABC13 - Ashby Fields	Ashby Fields & Middlemore	Braunston and Crick	1,300		1,300	
	Ashby Fields & Middlemore Total		4,113	6%	4,672	9%
ADE5 - Monksmoor	Lang Farm & Monksmoor	Daventry East	1,139		2,218	
ADE4 - Lang Farm	Lang Farm & Monksmoor	Daventry East	1,630		2,202	
	Lang Farm & Monksmoor Total		2,769	-29%	4,420	3%
ADE3 - Southbrook	Hill	Daventry West	2,461		2,544	
ADE2 - Dav - Abbey South	Hill	Daventry East	2,078		2,168	
	Hill Total		4,539	17%	4,712	10%
ADE2 - Dav - Abbey South	Headlands & Timken	Daventry East	650		650	
ADW1 - Headlands	Headlands & Timken	Daventry West	1,933		1,976	
ADW3 - Timken	Headlands & Timken	Daventry East	1,429		1,531	
ADW6 - The Grange&Drayton	Headlands & Timken	Daventry West	540		540	
	Headlands & Timken		4,552	17%	4,697	10%
ADW6 - The Grange&Drayton	The Grange	Daventry West	1,658		3,069	
ADW7 - Stefan Hill	The Grange	Daventry West	1,525		1,558	
	The Grange Total		4,183	8%	4,627	8%
	Grand Total		66,248		76,792	
	Average 1 member ward		3,885		4,274	
	Average 2 member ward		7,769		8,548	
	Average 3 member ward		11,654		12,822	

North of Warwick Road / High Street

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July 2021 to July 2022



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