

#### **BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

#### MEETING OF THE ELECTORAL MATTERS COMMITTEE

THURSDAY 17TH MARCH 2016 AT 5.00 P.M.

#### COMMITTEE ROOM, PARKSIDE COMMITTEE - PARKSIDE

MEMBERS: Councillors J. M. L. A. Griffiths, C. Allen-Jones, H. J. Jones, L. C. R. Mallett, K.J. May, M. Thompson and L. J. Turner

### **AGENDA**

- 1. To receive apologies for absence and notification of substitutes
- Declarations of Interest
   To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other
   Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm
   the nature of those interests.
- 3. To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting of the Electoral Matters Committee held on 6th October 2015 (Pages 1 4)
- 4. Polling Place Alterations 2016 Report (to follow)
- 5. To consider any other business, details of which have been notified to the Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services prior to the commencement of the meeting and which the Chairman considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting

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Chief Executive

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