COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

BOOKLET B: PARISHED AREAS OF SURREY HEATH



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Introduction

This booklet provides information regarding the proposals for the parished areas of Surrey Heath Borough Council. Options are not limited to the proposals set out in this document and you are welcome to propose alternative options.

The current parishes that fall within the borough of Surrey Heath that will be discussed in this booklet are:

- Bisley Parish Council
- Chobham Parish Council

- West End Parish Council
- Windlesham Parish Council

An initial consultation to obtain feedback and opinions from the public and interested parties is underway. For the parished areas of the boroughs there are three proposals to boundaries and structures within the existing parishes:

- South of Scott's Grove Road
- Minorca Avenue
- Windlesham North and Windlesham South parish wards

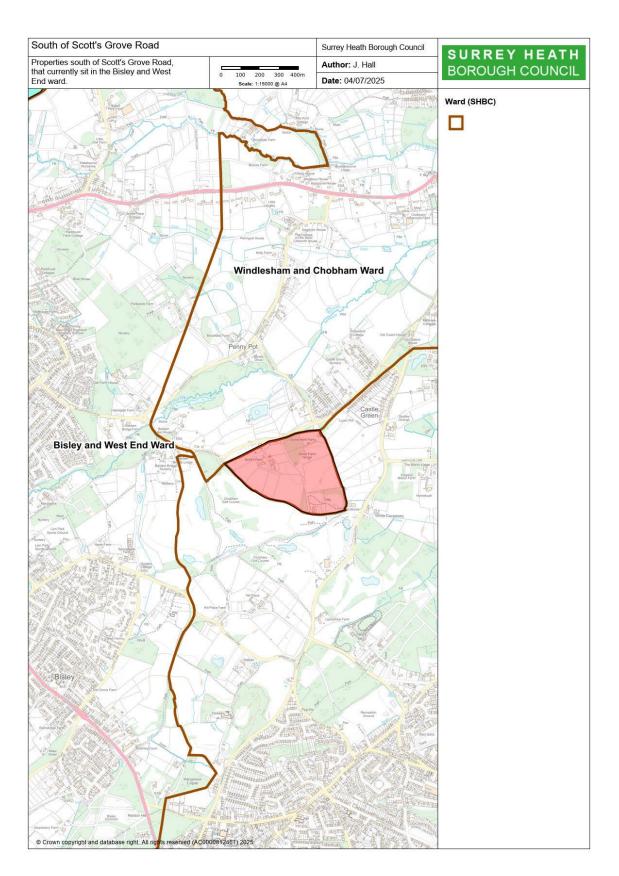


South of Scott's Grove Road

A small section of the borough, south of Scott's Grove Road is part of Bisley parish. This land sits as an exclave to Bisley, and is bordered only by Chobham parish to the north, and Woking Borough Council boundaries to the south.

The initial consultation is seeking responses to determine if the land south of Scott's Grove Road should become a part of Chobham Parish. Or, if the existing boundaries do not need to change and this land remains a part of Bisley parish.





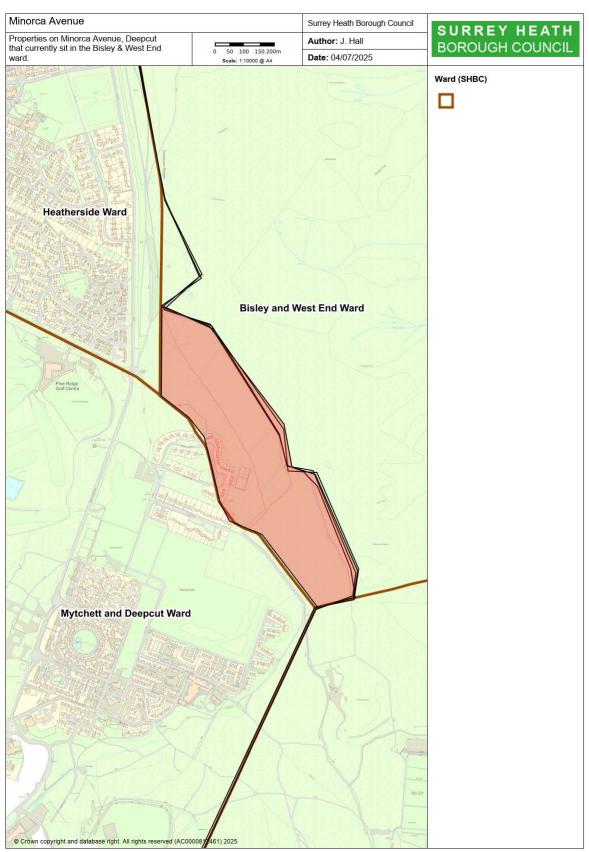


Minorca Avenue

Development on Minorca Avenue in Deepcut, has extended beyond the existing border between the Mytchett & Deepcut and Bisley & West End borough wards, meaning a number of properties in the Deepcut Village sit within the West End Parish Council boundaries.

The initial consultation is seeking responses to determine if the border should be redrawn to ensure that the entirety of Minorca Avenue, and all land west of the track sit within Deepcut village and outside of the West End parish. Or, if the existing boundaries do not need to change and this land remains a part of West End parish.







Windlesham Parish Warding Arrangements

Current requirements state that parish wards cannot ignore the boundary wards of the responsible local authority. In Surrey Heath Borough Council there is no singular ward for the village of Windlesham, the north of the village forms a part of the Bagshot borough ward, and the south of the village forms a part of the Windlesham & Chobham borough ward.

Consequently, the village of Windlesham is represented within Windlesham Parish Council by two parish wards: Windlesham (North) and Windlesham (South) wards. With the creation of new unitary authorities in Surrey because of Local Government Reorganisation, the existing borough wards will be dissolved, meaning the requirement to split Windlesham into two parish wards will no longer exist.

The initial consultation is seeking responses to determine if the Windlesham North and South parish wards should be abolished to create a single Windlesham Village parish ward.

The consultation is also seeking views on the number of councillors that represent the three villages of Windlesham Parish Council, and whether or not they should be adjusted, left alone, or brought to the same level as one another. The existing councillor number allocations, as of I September 2024, are outlined in the table below:

Parish Ward	No. of Cllrs	Electorate	Ratio of councillors: electorate
Bagshot	6	4,830	1:805
Lightwater	7	5,337	1:762
Windlesham	2	1,020	1:510 (1:701 including Windlesham
(North)			South)
Windlesham	3	2,483	1:828 (1:701 including Windlesham
(South)			North)



