

Public Notice Community Governance Review of the Drakelow Area

Further to Section 79 of the Local Government and Public involvement in Health Act 2007, South Derbyshire District Council is undertaking a Community Governance Review of the Drakelow Area.

The Council agreed to conduct the Review in November 2023 following the receipt of a petition signed by 271 local electors. The Terms of Reference (which outlined the way in which the Review would be conducted) were published on 3 November 2023 and the first stage of consultation concluded on 26 January 2024.

At its meeting held on 28 February 2024, the Council considered the initial consultation results, an assessment in relation to statutory criteria and agreed Draft Recommendations for further consultation.

South Derbyshire District Council is now undertaking the second stage of consultation on the following Draft Recommendations; that:

the existing Parish Meeting for the parished area of Drakelow is abolished on 31 March 2025 and replaced with a Parish Council.
a Parish Council for the parished area of Drakelow is constituted with effect from 1 April 2025.
the new Council for the parished area of Drakelow is styled as a parish council and constituted as "Drakelow Parish Council".
the area and boundaries of Drakelow Parish Council remain the same as those on which the current Drakelow Parish Meeting is based.
Drakelow Parish Council has nine Parish Councillors when it is created in 2025 and that this rises to eleven when the number of local electors reaches 905.
there will be no Parish Wards in Drakelow Parish Council's area.
in accordance with the statutory Guidance on Community Governance Reviews, Drakelow Parish Council is established with effect from 1 April 2025 and local elections are held in May 2025.

The Review's Terms of Reference document, a report about the results of consultation so far and the Draft Recommendations are available on the Council's website using the following link:

https://www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/about-us/have-your-say/drakelow-communitygovernance-review



Residents and interested parties are encouraged to make their views known on the above Draft Recommendations by no later than 3 May 2024.

Please note that for the Draft Recommendations to become Final Recommendations, the District Council would expect to see a significant level of support expressed by **at least 10% or 65 local electors** from Drakelow.

Please submit your representation relating to the Draft Recommendations using the dedicated e mail address, <u>drakelowcgr@southderbyshire.gov.uk</u> or write to us at the following address:

South Derbyshire District Council Legal and Democratic Services Section Community Governance Review Civic Offices Civic Way Swadlincote Derbyshire DE11 0AH

All representations must be received by **no later than Friday, 3 May 2024** or they may not be considered when the final recommendations are prepared for a meeting of South Derbyshire District's Council.

If you have any questions about the Review or would like to receive a copy of the Terms of Reference or the report about Draft Recommendations, please contact Democratic Services on telephone 01283 595722 or 01283 595889 or by e mail at: <u>democraticservices@southderbyshire.gov.uk</u>

Signed by:

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Ardip Sandhu, Monitoring Officer Dated: 7 March 2024