

12. COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW – to receive the recommendations of the 11th March Planning Committee regarding the options to be discussed with the neighbouring parishes.

Background – The 26th February 2019 meeting of Council, decided to refer the consideration of options for the review of parish boundaries to the Planning Committee at the 11th March 2019 meeting. The referred options were:

Option 1 - Practical Amendment – to extend the boundary, to include:

- all the current built environment (buildings and facilities), that lie adjacent to the town boundary. (e.g. The Bubble Retail Park, the complete Liskeard Tavern site, parts of Moorswater including the goods railway line etc.)
- to include sites subject to current or recent planning applications and pre planning applications and that have an impact upon the social and economic viability of the community of Liskeard. (e.g. the Ten creek Farm and a recent pre app at Moorswater.)
- to include sites that have been part of the recent October 2018 “Agri Hub and Employment Land and Premises Demand Study” for example, at Bolitho Farm.

Option 2 – Futureproof Proposal – Option 1 above plus an element to provide a degree of futureproofing.

- To continue along the current and consented line of built development following the route of the A38 predominantly to the east of the Ten creek Farm site, but also in the area to the west to tidy up the Looe Mills end of Moorswater Industrial Estate.
- To continue the eastern boundary to take account of land to the east of the the Wain Homes site identified as H4 in the Neighbourhood Plan and to the east the Liskeard Business Park site identified as EM2B in the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Planning Committee Minute 480/18 Community Governance Review recommend: see attached “Governance Review 1.1” pdf and below:

“The committee agreed a proposal which included extending the town boundary to encompass the existing built development adjacent to the town boundary, plus those areas already permissioned or the subject of pre-applications or consultation/study – Option 1 Practical Amendment from the Town Clerk’s report to Council. Some small additional areas of rounding and infill would be included to create a smooth regular boundary and some extension along the A38 corridor east of Ten creek farm. The total area comprised mainly land and retail/employment facilities, with only a small number of residential dwelling affected”.

Notes - Traditionally, parish boundaries follow natural features normally, rivers and streams. The thinking being that these are natural features that cannot easily be

moved, if at all. Unlike boundary posts or stones. In the annual “Beating the Bounds”, event, the parish boundary is walked as closely as possible.

The adoption of physical items that can be seen such as, railway lines and the A38 was put forward at last council to make it simpler for the town and parish council and indeed Cornwall Council planning officers and members of the public to see and easily understand the proposed new boundary limits.

RECOMMENDATION: That the revised Option is adopted for discussion initially with our neighbouring parishes and subsequently with Cornwall Council and the public.