

CASTLE POINT BOROUGH COUNCIL

**NOTICE OF REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS, POLLING PLACES
AND POLLING STATIONS**

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with Section 18C of the Representation of the People Act 1983 Castle Point Borough Council is to carry out a statutory review of its polling districts, polling places and polling stations for those that fall within the boundaries of the Castle Point UK Parliamentary Constituency.

The Castle Point (Electoral Changes) Order 2023 makes changes to the electoral arrangements for Castle Point Borough Council from May 2024. The Council is also reviewing its polling districts, polling places and polling stations to reflect the new ward structure.

Relevant information regarding the current arrangements and mapping of proposals for changes can be found on the Council's website: www.castlepoint.gov.uk or can be inspected at the Council Offices, Kiln Road, Thundersley, Benfleet, Essex, SS7 1TF.

The (Acting) Returning Officer (ARO) for the Parliamentary constituency of Castle Point Borough Constituency and for the Borough Council will comment on the proposals. Those representations will be published on the Council's website and will be available for inspection at Castle Point Borough Council Offices, Kiln Road, Thundersley, Benfleet, SS7 1TF in accordance with the timetable set out below.

Electors within the Council area or within a UK Parliamentary constituency which has any part in the authority may make a representation. We invite comments from all electors regarding the convenience of voting at polling stations currently used for elections and would welcome suggestions for alternative sites.

The Council would also welcome the views of all residents, particularly disabled residents, or any person or body with expertise in access for persons with any type of disability, on the proposals, ARO's representations or any other related matters.

Anybody making representations should, if possible, give alternative places that may be used as polling places.

Comments and representations should be submitted in writing either by post to Electoral Services, Castle Point Borough Council, Kiln Road, Thundersley, Benfleet, SS7 1TF or by email to elections@castlepoint.gov.uk

All representations must be made by no later than Friday 19th January 2024.

Timetable	
19 th December 2023	Formal notice of review and commencement of public consultation period
5 th January 2024	Publication of (Acting) Returning Officer's comments
19 th January 2024	End of public consultation period
31 st January 2024	Final proposals considered by Council
1 st February 2024	Publish revised register of electors

The outcome of the review will be published by the Council in February and will be available for inspection on the Council's website and at Castle Point Borough Council offices, Kiln Road, Thundersley, Benfleet, SS7 1TF.

Anybody making representations should be aware that, upon completion of the review, all correspondence and representations received must, by law, also be published.

Dated: 19th December 2023

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Chief Executive

Castle Point Borough Council
