

BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR WALES

Minutes of the meeting at 16:30 on Tuesday 9th March 2021 via Microsoft Teams (the Deputy Chair and members of the Commission Secretariat were in the Commissions offices in Hastings House.

Present:

Mrs Justice Jefford	Deputy Chair
Aaron Sollis	Assessor (Ordnance Survey)
Huw Vaughan Thomas	Commissioner
Sam Hartley	Commissioner
Shereen Williams	Commission Secretary
Tom Jenkins	Commission Secretariat
Huw Blacker	Commission Secretariat
Josh Lovell	Commission Secretariat
Cher Cooke	Commission Secretariat

Time Started: 16:30

Time Finished: 19:10

1. INTRODUCTION, OPENING REMARKS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 1.1. There were no declarations of interest made.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 2.1. There were no apologies for absence.

3. Presentation of Schemes for Initial Proposals

- 3.1. The Commission considered the presentation of nine schemes given by the Commission Secretariat.
- 3.2. The Commission considered Scheme 1 which was based on the South Wales Valleys Retention.
- 3.3. The Commission considered Scheme 2 which was had a North Wales Local authority focus.

- 3.4. The Commission considered Scheme 3 which was based on retaining city integrities.
- 3.5. The Deputy Chair closed the Meeting at 19:10
- 3.6. The Deputy Chair opened the meeting at 16:30 on Thursday 11th March 2021
- 3.7. The Commission considered Scheme 4 which was based on retaining existing North Wales constituencies.
- 3.8. The Commission considered Scheme 5 which was based on providing an arrangement that has no more than two existing constituencies.
- 3.9. The Commission considered Scheme 6 which was based on providing an arrangement that has no more than two Local Authorities.
- 3.10. The Commission considered Scheme 7 which was based retaining the existing Vale of Glamorgan constituency.
- 3.11. The Deputy Chair closed the meeting at 18:20
- 3.12. The Deputy Chair opened the meeting at 16:30 on Tuesday 16th March 2021.
- 3.13. The Commission considered Scheme 8 which was a combined Secretariat scheme with a start point of Monmouthshire.
- 3.14. The Commission considered Scheme 9 which was a combined Secretariat scheme with a start point of Ynys Mon.
- 3.15. The Deputy Chair closed the meeting at 18:10 on Tuesday 16th March 2021.
- 3.16. The Deputy Chair opened the meeting at 16:30 on Thursday 18th March 2021.
- 3.17. The Commission reconsidered the North Wales proposed constituencies from both schemes 3 and 10.
- 3.18. After consideration and discussion the Commission **agreed** to approve Scheme 10 as the Scheme for the Initial Proposals that will be set out by the Commission in its Initial Proposals Report.
- 3.19. The Commission considered the names for the new proposed constituencies and agreed both a name and an alternative name in the alternative language for each constituency where appropriate.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 4.1. Commissioners agreed to send any comments on the Draft Proposals Report Skeleton to the Secretariat by the 13th April with the Secretariat providing a draft of the Initial Proposals Report for the April meeting.
- 4.2. Date of next meeting **agreed** Tuesday 27th April 2021.
- 4.3. The Deputy Chair closed the meeting at 17:40 on Thursday 18th March 2021.