

## Draft recommendations for Cowbit Parish Council.

We have been asked by Cowbit Parish Council to consider increasing the number of councillors on the parish council from 5 to 7. The request from the Parish Council was made because they wish to have fair representation within the Parish given the increased electorate in recent years.

Full Council recommended that a Community Governance Review be carried out as per the below timetable. The initial consultation period ran for a period of six weeks and one response was received in that time, as follows:

**1 county councillor** – no objections to make

**CURRENT RECOMMENDATION: Having considered the above, with no objections to the proposal, the draft recommendation is to increase the number of councillors on Cowbit parish council from 5 to 7.**

Consultations will be taken on this draft recommendation from 5 September 2022 until 8 October 2022. Contact can be made by email to [elections@sholland.gov.uk](mailto:elections@sholland.gov.uk) If you would prefer, you can write to us at Electoral Services, South Holland District Council, Council Offices, Priory Road, Spalding Lincs PE11 2XE.

A final recommendation then will be put forward to the Full Council in January with any changes having effect from the May 2023 elections.

### Timetable for Review

Action	Relevant Date
Terms of reference are published and District Council notifies stakeholders. Publicity and engagement with stakeholders and individual submissions invited.	23 May 2022 – 27 June 2022
Consideration of submissions received	28 June 2022 – 18 July 2022
Draft recommendations and proposals prepared.	19 July 2022 – 2 September 2022
Publish draft recommendations and go out for second consultation.	5 September 2022 – 8 October 2022
Consideration of submissions received and final proposals prepared.	8 October 2022 to 7 November 2022
Final recommendations published	8 November 2022 to 31 December 2022
Full Council Approval	18 January 2023
Council to Make Order	Thereafter