

meeting COUNTY COUNCIL

date 6TH MAY 2004 agenda item number

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

PERIODIC ELECTORAL REVIEW (PER)

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To advise the Council of the receipt of the final recommendations of the Boundary Committee for England (BCE) on the review of electoral boundaries within the County (a copy of which has been sent to Members).

2. Information and Advice

- 2.1 At its meeting on 17 July 2003 Council responded to the draft recommendations made by the BCE on future electoral arrangements in Nottinghamshire. The BCE has now issued its final recommendations.
- 2.2 As the final recommendations were only received on the date the agenda for this meeting was published, then it has not been possible to assess the implications of this final report. Council will wish to consider its position in relation to the final recommendations and it is suggested that a special meeting of the Council should be held for this purpose.
- 2.3 The Council has an opportunity to make representations on the final recommendations direct to the Electoral Commission and has until 8th June 2004 to do so. Following consultation with your Leader, it is suggested that this special meeting of the Council be held on Tuesday, 1st June 2004 at 2.30 pm for this purpose.

3. Statutory and Policy Implications

3.1 This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, personnel, crime and disorder and those using the service. Where such implications are material, and have been described in the text of the report.

4. **RECOMMENDATION**

4.1 That a special meeting of the County Council be held on Tuesday, 1st June 2004 at 2.30 pm to consider the BCEs final recommendations on electoral arrangements for Nottinghamshire.

5. Director of Resources Financial Comments

The additional costs involved in holding an extra meeting will be met from the budget for Members' Services. (PH 26.4.04)

6. Legal Services Comments

County Council Standing Orders provide that a special meeting of the Council can be called at the request of the Chairman or of the Leader or any five Members and that a special meeting may be held on any working day provided that the agenda and papers are circulated at least five working days prior to the meeting (EB 26.4.04)

7. Background Papers Available for Inspection

None.

8. Electoral Divisions Affected

All.

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