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| <b>Meeting</b>          | Full Council                                    |
| <b>Date</b>             | 22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2023                    |
| <b>Report Title</b>     | Parish/Borough Liaison                          |
| <b>Agenda Reference</b> | 9                                               |
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**Officer's Recommendation:** To note the report.

### Forum Lead

Sam Mowbray is now the Borough's Chief Executive Officer, her role coordinating with Parishes and running the forums will be taken over by Brian Pinchbeck, Head of Operations. Sam was very effective at getting things done and well regarded by many Clerks, so hopefully Brian will continue in the same vein.

### Parish Liaison Officer

New role of Parish Liaison Officer was discussed, job description being circulated for thoughts and opinions for Clerk Forum. Concerns the role was under specified so being redone. Feedback from Clerks was positive but wary – lots for this person to get their head around, especially understanding the huge variance in Parish size, responsibilities, budgets, demands etc.

### Electoral reviews

SBC does not control reviews. An intervention review has been triggered by the appropriate authority as some wards are outside acceptable parameters of population (eg St Andrews 40% over, Wroughton and Wichelstowe 20% under).

#### Phase 1

New wards/changes effective from May 2026, consulting 14th August to 25th September this year, whether to continue thirds or switch to all outs (see agenda item 10). Extraordinary SBC meeting will be held on October. As before when this happened, two thirds vote needed to change. If remains thirds then all wards must have three ward councillors and total must be divisible by three.

#### Phase 2

9th January to 18th March 2024. Warding review/consultation, views will be sought from parishes on warding.

Also, review of polling districts and venues to be held in October 2023 in preparation for next Parliamentary Election.

### Waste

Waste changes - from later this year will be five categories of waste collected – Glass, paper, plastic and cans, food, normal waste. Food will be collected weekly. Green waste unchanged. New bins being issued over coming month or so and letters being sent out.