

**Addendum to APPENDIX A of Report COU.SE.15.036 to
Council on 15 December 2015 (referrals from DRWP)**

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Final Recommendations for the Community Governance Review

To assist stakeholders in the review, this addendum shows the effect of the amendments made by Council on 15 December 2015 in relation to issues 12-14 (Haverhill Vision 2031 growth sites).

In relation to the text, the amendments are shown by striking through the original. However, to avoid confusion, the map has been replaced with a new version (which reflects the amendments).

In terms of phase 2 of the review, final recommendations will be based on this updated document.

Nos	Area or Properties Under Review	Parishes Directly Affected	Matters on which CGR will or could focus
12-14	12.Vision 2031 Strategic Site "North-West Haverhill" 13.Vision 2031 Strategic Site "North-East Haverhill" 14.Vision 2031 Strategic Site "Hanchett End" (Haverhill Research Park) <i>(All of the area bounded by the A1017, A1307 and Hanchett End)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Haverhill •Little Wratting •Kedington •Withersfield 	As per 1. above

**Proposal of DRWP for Final Recommendation
(as amended by Council on 15 December, 2015)**

~~(1)~~ The boundary of Haverhill Parish be extended as indicated on the attached map to incorporate the "North-East Haverhill" and "Hanchett End (Haverhill Research Park)" Vision 2031 strategic sites (alongside the "North-West" site); ~~and~~

~~(2)~~ ~~the boundary of Haverhill Parish boundary also be extended in the vicinity of Melbourne Bridge/Meldham Washland as shown on the attached map.~~

The new northern boundary for Haverhill which the Working Party suggests should be tested through consultation reflects the Vision 2031 growth sites and the submissions of the town and parish councils and parish meeting.

In addition, the Working Party has proposed *the testing of* the Town Council's suggestion that, ~~between the Hanchett End and NW Haverhill Vision 2031 sites, a more coherent electoral arrangement would be provided by extending its boundary outwards to follow the river and field lines, encapsulating some existing properties by Melbourne Bridge. The Town Council also felt that,~~ since the green buffer for the North-East growth site by Calford Green is designated as park land, it would also make more sense to include this area within the Haverhill boundary.

~~The Working Party noted that the Parish Council and existing electors by Melbourne Bridge had not yet been consulted on the Town Council's proposal to transfer this area to Haverhill (since the properties were not in a growth site). It was also noted that Withersfield Parish Council had reserved its position on issues 12 and 14. Such local evidence would therefore be obtained during the consultation on (and testing of) any final recommendations for these issues in 2016.~~

In accordance with the recommendations for issue 26 above, if these proposals are agreed, the extended parish areas would be temporarily added to the existing Haverhill East, West and North Wards (as applicable), pending any review of town and borough council wards by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. ~~Any new boundary of the Haverhill West/North Wards would run along Withersfield Road.~~

The reasons for the recommendations include:

1. local preference and/or evidence (the principle of the proposals for issues 12 and 13 was supported by the town and parish councils and parish meeting, and by many of the local electors who commented. There was no consensus over issue 14, with most existing local electors who responded opposed to what is being recommended but the Town Council and the Research Park operator providing evidence that the growth site should be in Haverhill. Withersfield Parish has also reserved its position on issue 14 at this stage of the review. Therefore this will need to be tested further through the publication of a final recommendation);
2. the recommendations potentially offer parish boundaries to reflect the identities and interests of local residents and businesses (current and future) and offer them more effective and convenient local government (the Town Council has suggested that administrative boundaries around Haverhill should reflect the patterns of everyday life and the ability of the respective parish and town councils to provide effective local government to new and existing electors. There was also consensus that the identity of all surrounding villages should be protected through the CGR).

N.B. Changes to parish boundaries would not normally affect existing postal addresses, postcodes, school catchment areas or insurance premiums.

**Final recommendation for consultation -
as amended by Council on 15 December 2015**

