

# COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW STAGE 2 CONSULTATION RESPONSES

## EASTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Paper - Question** – Do you support the draft recommendations including the boundary amendment to move your address from Eastington Parish Council to Great Oldbury parish Council?

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/GOP/1	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	No	See Appendix 1
CGR2/GOP/2	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/3	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/4	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/5	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/6	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/7	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/8	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/9	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/10	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments

CGR2/GOP/11	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/12	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	The proposed Great Oldbury parish should help create a closer, supportive residents community with interests in common for this large fast growing development, which is in need of the long overdue promised facilities and amenities. It is not apparent that either Eastington or Stonehouse councils have been very proactive in their endeavour to progress the above status quo.
CGR2/GOP/13	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I feel remaining part of Eastington parish will result in the specific needs of GO residents not being met. We need a Parish Council focused on the needs of the GO area only.
CGR2/GOP/14	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	The proposed change would allow for improved democratic representation of the many new homes and residents of Great Oldbury. As a 'new village' there are many issues to be resolved.
CGR2/GOP/15	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Creates a response to a new 'neighbourhood' with common issues to address.
CGR2/GOP/16	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	This is such a large estate, it makes sense for it to have its own parish. That way we can manage street repairs etc quickly.
CGR2/GOP/17	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I have never understood why I come under 'Stonehouse' – I feel embarrassed to say I live there. Great Oldbury is 2 miles away and closer to Eastington – makes no sense whatsoever! Please do change it to Great Oldbury
CGR2/GOP/18	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No concerns with plans and in full agreement.
CGR2/GOP/19	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I think the needs of this new 'parish' are very different from the long-established community at Eastington. I've got the impression, based on the occasional conversations with Eastington residents that they 'look down' on the new estate as 'foreigners' and I think we want a council that recognises out separate needs
CGR2/GOP/20	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	We would like a local Great Oldbury food shop. Also a doctors surgery would be appreciated.
CGR2/GOP/21	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Will we be getting shops/other local amenities?
CGR2/GOP/22	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Fully support
CGR2/GOP/23	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	This would allow better control of the Great Oldbury area and would better suit the residents' needs.
CGR2/GOP/24	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Completely in support of this and agree that its in the nest interest of the estate.
CGR2/GOP/25	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	It allows more local responsibility.

CGR2/GOP/26	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	As the two halves of Great Oldbury begin to merge together it makes more sense for issues involving the area are dealt with uniformly using one parish council. There are a large number of properties here and more to come, it would be fairer to Stonehouse and Eastington to have time to focus on properties within their areas and not half of Great Oldbury in addition.
CGR2/GOP/27	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	No	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Eastington church has a pitiful average congregation and could do with being clearly identified as the church for the new arrivals in Gt Oldbury, albeit that most of them will be godless!</li> <li>2. In my 20 years as chair of governors of a primary school (elsewhere) I found the Parish council to be less often a help than a hindrance, but it seems to me that having both Eastington school and the new Great Oldbury school under the aegis of the same council could only be beneficial.</li> </ol>
CGR2/GOP/28	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	No	I can see no reason to add an extra layer to local government that is currently working or the increased costs involved. Extra councillors to the local parish councils will have the same effect of local views.
CGR2/GOP/29	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/30	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/31	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	No	No comments
CGR2/GOP/32	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Given the size of the proposed new G O parish and the amenities that will be provided – e.g. community centre/open spaces – I feel it is necessary for the restructure to take place
CGR2/GOP/33	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/34	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/35	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/36	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	We feel that any decisions involving Great Oldbury should be agreed by the residents.
CGR2/GOP/37	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	No	<p>My reason for NOT supporting the proposed new Parish of Great Oldbury is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. At the moment it is part of Eastington which is operating successfully</li> <li>2. To have a new Parish will require an extra area of bureaucracy with the with need for additional councillors to be employed and paid along with he supporting staff thereby incurring additional costs</li> <li>3. If will be necessary to find additional people to be councillors, how easy will this be?</li> <li>4. The proposed new Parish cutes right into the Eastington PC area and is bordered on 3 sides, this makes it a natural fit to be part of Eastington.</li> <li>5. I agree that the small area hatched in green, part of Stonehouse should be part of the Eastington parish.</li> <li>6. I do not agree with the inclusion of the large area hatched in green, part of Stonehouse, as this is an unnecessary increase in the size of the area of be covered. There is a natural boundary formed by the river as is used for the boundary with Standish PC</li> </ol>
CGR2/GOP/38	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I think its good to have a more focused view in the immediate area we live in.
CGR2/GOP/39	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Great Oldbury has different issues to that of Eastington. For example, it has no village hall or community centre, it has no shops or post box or church.

				Eastington is already an established community who in the majority would have preferred Great Oldbury not to have been built. The two communities have different needs, and therefore need different councils.
CGR2/GOP/40	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/79	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR/GOP/112	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/110	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I think that due to the eventual population of Great Oldbury being very likely to exceed that of Eastington Parish, it makes complete sense for our area to be able to make its own decisions on local matters that will affect our own community.
CGR2/GOP/113	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments

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CGR2/GOP/86	Eastington Parish Council	Local Community group (Keep Eastington Rural)	Yes	<p>The proposal to create a new Parish for Great Oldbury is timely and appropriate</p> <p>Timely, because the population of Great Oldbury is almost the same as the rest of Eastington Parish put together. The build-out of what is essentially a small town, is only half way through to it's 2031 scale and the 2023- 2040 Local Plan envisages at least one more phase to follow that.</p> <p>Timely also because the School is now established and other facilities such as the playing pitches and the Community Centre are well on the way. The latter two will require a strong community organisation to manage these assets effectively.</p> <p>Incidentally, The Shell garage is being upgraded to provide a Waitrose Local small supermarket, providing a true "corner shop"</p> <p>It is appropriate because there is already a recognisable community spirit, which was eloquently expressed by the residents in the previous consultation.</p> <p>Finally, it is clear that the residents are asking for Parish Council powers, it is not being thrust upon them.</p>
CGR2/GOP/87	Eastington Parish Council (BOTH)	Resident	Yes	I live in Great Oldbury and can see the sense in having one parish council for the area rather than 2 as this will help build a stronger community

CGR2/GOP/88	Eastington Parish Council (BOTH)	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/89	Eastington Parish Council (BOTH)	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/90	Eastington Parish Council (BOTH)	Resident	Yes	It makes sense to me that a development of this size is classed as a whole parish rather than being split in two. It would create more of a community feel around Great Oldbury.  It would also be good to have a parish councillor representing the whole community rather than to do this separately under two parishes.
CGR2/GOP/96	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/103	Eastington Parish Council	Parish/town clerk	In part	The parish council agrees that Great Oldbury should have its own parish council, and that the historical hamlets, including Nupend, Westend and Nastend should remain part of Eastington.
CGR2/GOP/104	Eastington parish Council (BOTH)	Resident	No	As a new community I completely and enthusiastically support the formation of "Great Oldbury Parish Council".  I object to the proposed boundary. The boundary, in my opinion, should follow the current boundaries with Standish Parish, Stonehouse Town Council, Whitminster Parish and Frampton-On-Severn Parish with a dividing boundary with Eastington Parish following the line of the canal (existing and proposed).  My reasons are: 1. Residents of the Nastend, Westend and Nupend hamlets will be isolated from Eastington Parish and should be given the democratic choice of which Parish they wish to reside.  2. New developments, housing and industrial, in and around Great Oldbury will affect residents of Nupend, Westend and Nastend and these residents should have a voice on the Great Oldbury Parish Council.  3. Although there is no vehicular access directly into the Great Oldbury from the neighbouring hamlets, there is a network of paths and bridleways which will be heavily used by walkers and cyclists. There will be issues and conflicts between old and new residents which can only be resolved in the same Parish Council.  4. The retail development around the Shell Service station on the A419 called Great Oldbury Service Station should be part of Great Oldbury Parish, as any further development on the site will affect Great Oldbury residents much more than residents of adjacent parishes. (It is ironic that an area called Great Oldbury Service Station should not be included in the Great Oldbury parish).  5. Further development will inevitably take place north of the Great Oldbury Service Station and either side of Grove Lane. (Current proposals are already planned in the neighbouring parish of Whitminster for 2000 new homes). The expertise of Great Oldbury Parish Council in dealing with developers will be of great benefit to current and proposed residents, as well as residents of the hamlets of Westend and Nupend. Note: There is a case that Great

				<p>Oldbury Parish Council should extend into Whitminster Parish Council, to the A38, and should be discussed.</p> <p>6. The proposed Eco Park and building of Forest Green Rovers new stadium is welcomed by most Great Oldbury residents, unlike the opposition expressed to the “West of Stonehouse” proposals by Eastington Parish Council and Stonehouse Town Council, over recent years. Only a Great Oldbury Parish Council can protect the interests of local residents and ensure that locals reap the benefits of development, in negotiations.</p> <p>7. The same reasoning can be applied to anticipated development of the Stroudwater Canal, which I believe should form the southern border of Great Oldbury Parish. The rewards and benefits of developments around the canal will be of far more interest and concern to Great Oldbury residents than residents of neighbouring parishes. As a growing community, Great Oldbury Parish Council will benefit from increasing funds, from a very healthy Annual Precept, to further assist the improvements of facilities in the surrounding area.</p> <p>8. Using the Stroudwater Canal as the southern boundary of Great Oldbury Parish Council will also give Great Oldbury Parish Council the rights to comment on issues and problems caused by the A419, something that I believe will become an important subject of concern in the future.</p> <p>9. Finally, the “ghettoization” of Great Oldbury, by drawing a tight line around the current housing development is, I believe, lazy democracy and an attempt to avoid detailed discussion that should take place regarding the creation of a new Parish Council. (The first new parish council in the Stroud area for many years). It is also depriving the surrounding hamlets and landowners the benefits of a Parish Council that will have previously dealt with housing and industrial developers and have the funds to make a difference. The current issues around “Stroudwater 13” and the noisy “cheese-factory” could have been anticipated and prevented by an established and efficient Great Oldbury Parish Council.</p> <p>The two maps attached highlight, in graphic form, the ridiculous nature of the proposal suggested in the Governance Review.</p>
CGR2/GOP/105	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	In part	Making Great Oldbury its own small district would restrict those residents on the new development from having any say or input in the further of our surrounding areas or even such things like the canal restoration. It is lazy formation and will effectively isolate the new community from everything else around it.
CGR2/GOP/106	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	No	I don’t agree that Great Oldbury should be separated as a parish of its own. Residents should be included in the existing parish boundaries; Eastington and Stonehouse were appropriate. The proposed new parish would create additional and unnecessary bureaucracy. Residents would prefer to feel part of the wider community and involved/included in decisions about their local amenities.
CGR2/GOP/107	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	No	I would like Great Oldbury to remain in the Eastington parish as the area that would be in the Great Oldbury parish is too small and wouldn’t cover then land around it.

## EASTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL – HAMLET OF NASTEND

**Question – Do you support the draft recommendations including the proposed boundary amendment **NOT** to move your address from Eastington Parish Council to Great Oldbury Parish Council?**

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/GOP/50	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Eastington as a rural village will better represent Nastend as a rural hamlet. Whereas 'Great Oldbury' is a development of brand new houses with no historical merit.
CGR2/GOP/51	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Please leave us in Eastington where we belong.
CGR2/GOP/52	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	The rural aspect of part of Nastend has already been decimated by the proximity – and especially the height – of the new row of properties (adjoining the last part of Nastend lane) which overlook 'The Cottage' and the Farmhouse. The raised foundations and subsequent overall height of the row of new properties was never anticipated in the planning reviews. How any Planning Authority thought it was acceptable in a rural hamlet is beyond belief.
CGR2/GOP/53	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I wish to remain in Eastington Parish. Our property has been in Eastington Parish since before 1700 and it bests reflects the identity of Nastend. I also have an allotment in Eastington and have put 9 years of work into it. The new build have a very different feel to the hamlets and I would be very against leaving Eastington parish.
CGR2/GOP/54	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/55	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I would like to stay part of a small community.
CGR/GOP/56	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	There is no sensible reason to move away from Eastington
CGR/GOP/57	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	We have always been part of a small village parish and I have no ambitions to join a commuter community in a new parish.
CGR/GOP/58	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Nastend is always been part of Eastington, like Nupend and Westend. I think it better for Great Oldbury to form a parish council of their own to serve a new development.

CGR/GOP/59	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Nastend would best be served by Eastington parish Council, not Great Oldbury. Great Oldbury being a new estate will have different needs.
CGR/GOP/60	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR/GOP/61	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Nastend has been historically linked to the Eastington Parish. I should like it to remain so.
CGR/GOP/62	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I was so against the building of the Great Oldbury estate. I certainly do not want to be part of it now. I will stay with Eastington Parish thank you.
CGR/GOP/109	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments

### **EASTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL – HAMLET OF NUPEND**

**Question – Do you support the draft recommendations including the proposed boundary amendment **NOT** to move your address from Eastington Parish Council to Great Oldbury Parish Council?**

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/GOP/63	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	We are a small community and its nice to keep it as normal, without including the new estate.
CGR2/GOP/64	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Great Oldbury completely overwhelms the existing parish and will be provided with its own amenities. I has very different needs and concerns to Eastington and its traditional hamlets and should be a separate parish.
CGR2/GOP/65	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Great Oldbury Estate is a new, modern development, contrasting dramatically with the Parish of Eastington and its quaint and ancient hamlets. Their requirements and aspirations are distinct and discrete. Combining them into one parish would be to the detriment of both, as attending to the upkeep and development of either group would require time and resources irrelevant to the other.
CGR2/GOP/66	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	We believe that staying in Eastington will provide the best safeguard for our future.
CGR2/GOP/67	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I never wanted to G O estate to be built so why would I want to be part of their parish council. The estate is nothing like an old village and the needs are therefore very different!



CGR2/GOP/68	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	<p>Firstly, how did the public get an invite last October to start considering changes to Governance arrangements? Secondly why would the new housing development need its own parish council – the idea was to integrate the residents on this estate to the existing community not to alienate them/us further.....?!!</p> <p>Thirdly, Nupend is a very old hamlet. How would lumping us together with a brand new estate that has no interest in the old be of benefit? Great Oldbury Estate should remain part of Eastington Parish so that we can all work and live together in harmony, tackling issues that are created together, creating mutual respect for our communities. Its already a ‘them and us’ feeling (mostly caused by dog poo/litter dropping etc by walkers through the village)</p> <p>Lastly how will I know this has been read and considered.</p>
CGR2/GOP/69	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	No	<p>Nupend has always been part of the Eastington Parish. Great Oldbury must be kept separate to us. We didn’t want the Great Oldbury Estate to be so close to Nupend. Many people strongly opposed it so why now should we want to be part of it?? I grew up in Nupend and always felt part of the Eastington parish. Also Nupend will lost its separate identity.</p> <p>I choose to live in Nupend and invested large amount of money in out home due to the once lovely location. We have partially lost our identity now. Making it part of the old Oldbury Parish, Nupend will further lose its identity. I think the Eastington Parish should remain as is. Or else we will become just part of the urban sprawl that is enveloping us.</p> <p>More proposed housing to out right (Whitminster development)</p> <p>Plus the huge new stadium/parking/business park. Where does it stop!!</p> <p>What benefits have we encountered, nothing!</p> <p>More traffic, loss privacy, loss fields, loss of views.</p> <p>I realise the need for new houses but.... We have had a lot plonked on our door step with more to come!!</p> <p>Keep Nupend, Nastend, Westend in the Eastington parish!!</p>
CGR2/GOP/70	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	<p>Eastington was around before Great Oldbury so should be the dominant parish, and Great Oldbury should be asked if they want to join Eastington.</p> <p>We strongly wish to remain in the parish of Eastington.</p>
CGR2/GOP/71	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	<p>Leave us alone. We should remain as Eastington parish. You have spoilt our quality of living already and allowed that awful estate to be built close to our quiet hamlet already.</p> <p>On top of this you allow Forest Green Football Club to also ruin the area we live in when the current stadium is too big for them A <i>[sic]</i> no requirement for you to allow this awful stadium to be built.</p> <p>The road network around here is already failing under the volume of traffic. Leave Forest Green in Forest Green!</p> <p>I am more than willing to give my views in person!</p> <p>Do not let anymore of this area be ruined.</p> <p>And stop giving in to Dale Vine.</p>
CGR2/GOP/72	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/73	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I prefer to remain with the Eastington Parish Council, a well established Council to attend NUPEND’s needs.
CGR2/GOP/74	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Its between a rock and a hard place – certainly no wish to be associated with a housing estate but Eastington isn’t much better!

CGR2/GOP/75	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	Nupend is a rural hamlet which has always been part of Eastington Parish and should remain so. The large Great Oldbury Estate should be separate.
CGR2/GOP/76	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	The fact that Great Oldbury will have its own Parish Council is a good idea – it being a large New Build within the last 3 or 4 years. Eastington Parish consisting of Eastington, Nupend, Nastend and Westend works very satisfactorily with our own Church, School and very active Eastington Play Group – shops, Hairdressers, Butchers and thriving Farm Shop. The parish of Eastington has successfully been in existence for many many years with a long standing history of which we are all extremely proud. PS – I have resided in Nupend for 61 years.
CGR2/GOP/77	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	As a resident of this hamlet for over 50 years, Eastington Parish has been Church, School, shops, events and friendships for all those years, residents of the hamlets have and still are Parish councillors, which should it be changed. No, no, no to amalgamating with a new development. It was initially called ‘West of Stonehouse’ – why is it not with Stonehouse If a new Parish is formed, where are they going to have public meetings, retail etc, they will be fighting for what they want. I hear complaints about having to use vehicles for everything, how many more houses will be built before facilities are produced, surely as a planning department you should be pushing for these things?
CGR2/GOP/80	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR2/GOP/81	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	No comments

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CGR2/GOP/95	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	As a resident of Nupend I feel in order for our hamlet to retain its identity it MUST remain within the rural parish of Eastington.
CGR2/GOP/99	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I support the draft recommendation that our address should NOT be moved from Eastington to Great Oldbury.  I live in Nupend and feel the historic Hamlet of Nupend should stay within the parish of Eastington and NOT move to Great Oldbury new parish.  Our interests as a small rural hamlet are better served by staying within a rural parish such as Eastington along with the other nearby Hamlets of Nastend and Westend.
CGR2/GOP/100	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I support the draft recommendation that our address should NOT be moved from Eastington to Great Oldbury.

				<p>I live in Nupend and feel the historic Hamlet of Nupend should stay within the parish of Eastington and NOT move to Great Oldbury new parish.</p> <p>Our interests as a small rural hamlet are better served by staying within a rural parish such as Eastington along with the other nearby Hamlets of Nastend and Westend.</p>
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**EASTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL – HAMLET OF WESTEND**

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Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/GOP/78	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I would prefer my property to continue being under Eastington Parish Council as it would be much more personal for me than being part of a big Great Oldbury Parish Council. Also I feel that my Council Tax could well rise if any changes were made, as Great Oldbury has much more to offer than Westend has.
CGR2/GOP/108	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I am pleased to see Westend/Nupend will not be added to the new Great Oldbury Parish. I feel that we are much better suited to remain in Eastington Parish.

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CGR2/GOP/91	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	<p>Westend is an historic hamlet, one of the many ‘ends’ of Eastington - I think history should be preserved as far as possible unless there are pressing needs otherwise.</p> <p>My house, like the majority in Westend, dates back to the mid 1800s. All the houses in Westend are unique - we are like chalk and cheese when compared to the new builds in Great Oldbury. We are an infinitely better fit with Eastington Parish Council than a Council representing the needs of a new housing estate.</p> <p>There are several properties in the hamlets with stables, I am not sure that a GO Council would adequately consider</p>

				<p>equestrian needs and the importance of the bridle paths.</p> <p>From my conversations with GO residents, I have found that there is a great deal of commuting out of the area to work, very few have a connection with the locality, having chosen it as a location as it is cheaper than Bristol and is close to J13.</p> <p>The new GO Parish Council will be concerned with the building a new community centre, new shops, and a new community altogether. We already have these things in Eastington, our needs going forward will not be adequately met by a GO Council consumed with building these from scratch.</p>
CGR2/GOP/92	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	I wish to stay within Eastington Parish Council and NOT be amalgamated with the proposed new Great Oldbury Parish.
CGR2/GOP/93	Eastington Parish Council	Resident	Yes	As a resident of Westend I wish to remain with Eastington Parish Council and not amalgamate with the new proposed Great Oldbury Parish Council which should remain separate.

### STONEHOUSE TOWN COUNCIL

**Question – Do you support the draft recommendations including the boundary amendments to move your address from Stonehouse Town Council to Great Oldbury Parish Council?**

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/GOP/41	Stonehouse Town Council	Resident	Yes	No comments
CGR/GOP/42	Stonehouse Town Council	Resident	Yes	This is a new area in effect with all new housing development. So a new parish is a good idea. I hope it will allow people to meet and discuss developments that matter to them.
CGR/GOP/43	Stonehouse Town Council	Resident	Yes	<p>We feel Great Oldbury is a big enough settlement to warrant its own parish, where it is split at the moment it seems to be 2 communities (eastington and Stonehouse) instead of one parish community.</p> <p>Having our own parish councillors will be a bonus as they will be local and able to get hold of about current problems affairs etc</p> <p>We have no clue who is our parish councillor at the moment.</p>
CGR/GOP/44	Stonehouse Town Council	Resident	Yes	<p>As Great Oldbury already has a strong community spirit and hosts Great Oldbury community meetings to discuss local matters and action things to happen, I believe having our own parish will help us to continue the great foundations we have started as a community.</p> <p>Personally, I will be volunteering for a place on the parish committee in the hope of election.</p>

CGR/GOP/45	Stonehouse Town Council	Resident	Yes	I am happy to move parish but not if it is going to increase the amount of council tax we pay!
CGR/GOP/46	Stonehouse Town Council	Resident	Yes	I am hope that as we become a separate parish we will be helped financially to get the facilities that these new houses with families, need.
CGR/GOP/47	Stonehouse Town Council	Resident	Yes	Great Oldbury should be a distinct parish in its own right – not divided between Stonehouse and Eastington. It is a brand new community with little resemblance to either Stonehouse Town or Eastington Parish.
CGR/GOP/48	Stonehouse Town Council	Resident	Yes	As a community we relate more closely to Great Oldbury, and our needs are different from those of Stonehouse.
CGR/GOP/49	Stonehouse Town Council	Resident	Yes	

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CGR2/GOP/98	Stonehouse Town Council (BOTH)	Parish/Town clerk	Yes	Stonehouse Town Council supports the proposed recommendation of establishing a new Parish of Great Oldbury.  Stonehouse Town Council supports the proposed recommendation that the ward boundaries of the Town of Stonehouse are redrawn to create three wards, North, Central and South Wards and that the allocation of Councillors is redistributed across the wards with an allocation of 6 Councillors for North Ward, 4 Councillors for South Ward and 4 Councillors for Central Ward.

### CAM PARISH COUNCIL

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/82	Cam Parish Council	Parish/Town councillor	No	There should be a Cam North ward. However, it should go further than the proposals of Cam Parish Council and extend up to the boundary of the M4 so as to include part of the new Wisloe development.
CGR2/97	Cam Parish Council	Parish/Town Clerk	In part	Disappointed with the outcome for Cam but would appreciate the opportunity to review in 4 years as recommended

### DURSLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/83		Parish/Town clerk	Yes	I am happy for the Council to remain at 17 councillors and would not support any attempt to reduce to 16 in the future.
CGR2/84		Parish/Town councillor	Yes	I agree with the recommendation to keep the amount of Town Councillors the same because I do feel it is proportionate to the size of Dursley and the fact that it is a busy town with a lot going on. I find the suggestions in relation to Littlecombe interesting and would be interested in having a discussion about this further down the line once the development is finished and the Town Council has taken over the care for the area.

### FRAMPTON-ON-SEVERN PARISH COUNCIL

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR/101	Frampton on Severn Parish Council	Parish/Town clerk	Yes	No comments

### HORSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR/102	Horsley Parish Council	Parish/Town clerk	Yes	No comments

### HUNTS GROVE PARISH COUNCIL

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR/103	Hunts Grove Parish Council	Hunts Grove Parish Council	Yes	Hunts Grove Parish Council supports the recommendation for an increase to 9 councillors but requests that this be reviewed after 2 years. The original request was for an increase to 11 councillors and the amount of services the council expects to be managing in 2 years time would need additional members to share the workload.

### MINCHINHAMPTON COUNCIL

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/85	Brimscombe & Thrupp Parish Council	Parish Clerk of neighbouring parish	Yes	I am submitting this response on behalf of Brimscombe and Thrupp Parish Council. The Parish Council agreed the following response at the full Council meeting on 14th March 2023 (minute reference 8.10): "Brimscombe and Thrupp Parish Council agree with the recommendations set out that "A Community Governance Review for Minchinhampton and Brimscombe and Thrupp should take place before the local elections in 2028"

### NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/94	Nailsworth Town Council	Parish/Town Clerk	Yes	No comments

### STANDISH PARISH COUNCIL

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR/114	Standish Parish Council	Parish Town Clerk	No	<p>The Community Governance Review proposes that Great Oldbury will have its own Parish Council , to be elected in May 2024, However, it proposes that the employment site which is part of the Great Oldbury development should remain within Standish parish, on the grounds that this will avoid unnecessary alteration of parish boundaries. Standish Parish Council strongly disputes the logic of this, especially as other parish boundaries will need to be changed to establish the new parish. In the Council’s view, the employment site is an integral part of the Great Oldbury development and should become part of the new parish along with the residential development. It has no shared identity with Standish.</p> <p>Standish Parish Council supports the proposal that the councillor allocation for Standish should remain at 6 (NB the allocation increased to 6 at the last CGR. It is not 5 as stated in the first para of 2.9).</p> <p>Standish Parish Council supports the proposal that decisions about PS19a should be left until such time as it is possible to consult with residents of the proposed development, together with existing residents of Standish parish.</p>



## WOODCHESTER PARISH COUNCIL

Reference	Parish/Town Council	Connection to the Parish/Town Council	Do you agree with the draft recs?	Comments
CGR2/111	Woodchester Parish Council	Parish/Town Clerk	No	<p>As per our telephone conversation, I was surprised to see no request from Woodchester Parish Council while I was reading through the draft recommendations.</p> <p>Woodchester Parish Council discussed the review and following the resignation of a councillor, have recognised that a group of six councillors functions very well for the Parish. The existing council members feel that the council performs better as a functioning body of six members and proposed that the elected number be reduced from seven to six.</p> <p>It appears that these comments didn't submit successfully via the portal, therefore could the comments please be considered at the next meeting?</p>

**Community Governance Review  
Form for Submission of Comments**

**Parish boundary amendment between Eastington Parish Council and Stonehouse Town Council to create the new 'Great Oldbury Parish Council'.**

**1. What is your name?** *You must provide an answer to this question.*

[Redacted Name]

**2. What is your address?** *You must provide an answer to this question.*

[Redacted Address]

**3. Please give an e-mail address or telephone number so we can contact you if needed.**  
*This information is optional but, if provided will not be made publicly available, and will only be used if we need to contact you regarding the review.*

Email:

[Redacted Email]

Telephone:

[Redacted Telephone]

**4. Do you support the draft recommendations including the boundary amendment to move your address from Eastington Parish Council to Great Oldbury Parish Council?**

Yes

No

**5. Please use the space below to submit comments in support of your view(s)**

Please see attached

As a new community I completely and enthusiastically support the formation of "Great Oldbury Parish Council".

I object to the proposed boundary. The boundary, in my opinion, should follow the current boundaries with Standish Parish, Stonehouse Town Council, Whitminster Parish and Frampton-On-Severn Parish with a dividing boundary with Eastington Parish following the line of the canal (existing and proposed).

My reasons are:

1. Residents of the Nastend, Westend and Nupend hamlets will be isolated from Eastington Parish and should be given the democratic choice of which Parish they wish to reside.
2. New developments, housing and industrial, in and around Great Oldbury will affect residents of Nupend, Westend and Nastend and these residents should have a voice on the Great Oldbury Parish Council.
3. Although there is no vehicular access directly into the Great Oldbury from the neighbouring hamlets, there is a network of paths and bridleways which will be heavily used by walkers and cyclists. There will be issues and conflicts between old and new residents which can only be resolved in the same Parish Council.
4. The retail development around the Shell Service station on the A419 called **Great Oldbury Service Station** should be part of Great Oldbury Parish, as any further development on the site will affect Great Oldbury residents much more than residents of adjacent parishes. (It is ironic that an area called Great Oldbury Service Station should not be included in the Great Oldbury parish).
5. Further development will inevitably take place north of the Great Oldbury Service Station and either side of Grove Lane. (Current proposals are already planned in the neighbouring parish of Whitminster for 2000 new homes). The expertise of Great Oldbury Parish Council in dealing with developers will be of great benefit to current and proposed residents, as well as residents of the hamlets of Westend and Nupend. Note: There is a case that Great Oldbury Parish Council should extend into Whitminster Parish Council, to the A38, and should be discussed.
6. The proposed Eco Park and building of Forest Green Rovers new stadium is welcomed by most Great Oldbury residents, unlike the opposition expressed to the "West of Stonehouse" proposals by Eastington Parish Council and Stonehouse Town Council, over recent years. Only a Great Oldbury Parish Council can protect the interests of local residents and ensure that locals reap the benefits of development, in negotiations.
7. The same reasoning can be applied to anticipated development of the Stroudwater Canal, which I believe should form the southern border of Great Oldbury Parish. The rewards and benefits of developments around the canal will

be of far more interest and concern to Great Oldbury residents than residents of neighbouring parishes. As a growing community, Great Oldbury Parish Council will benefit from increasing funds, from a very healthy Annual Precept, to further assist the improvements of facilities in the surrounding area.

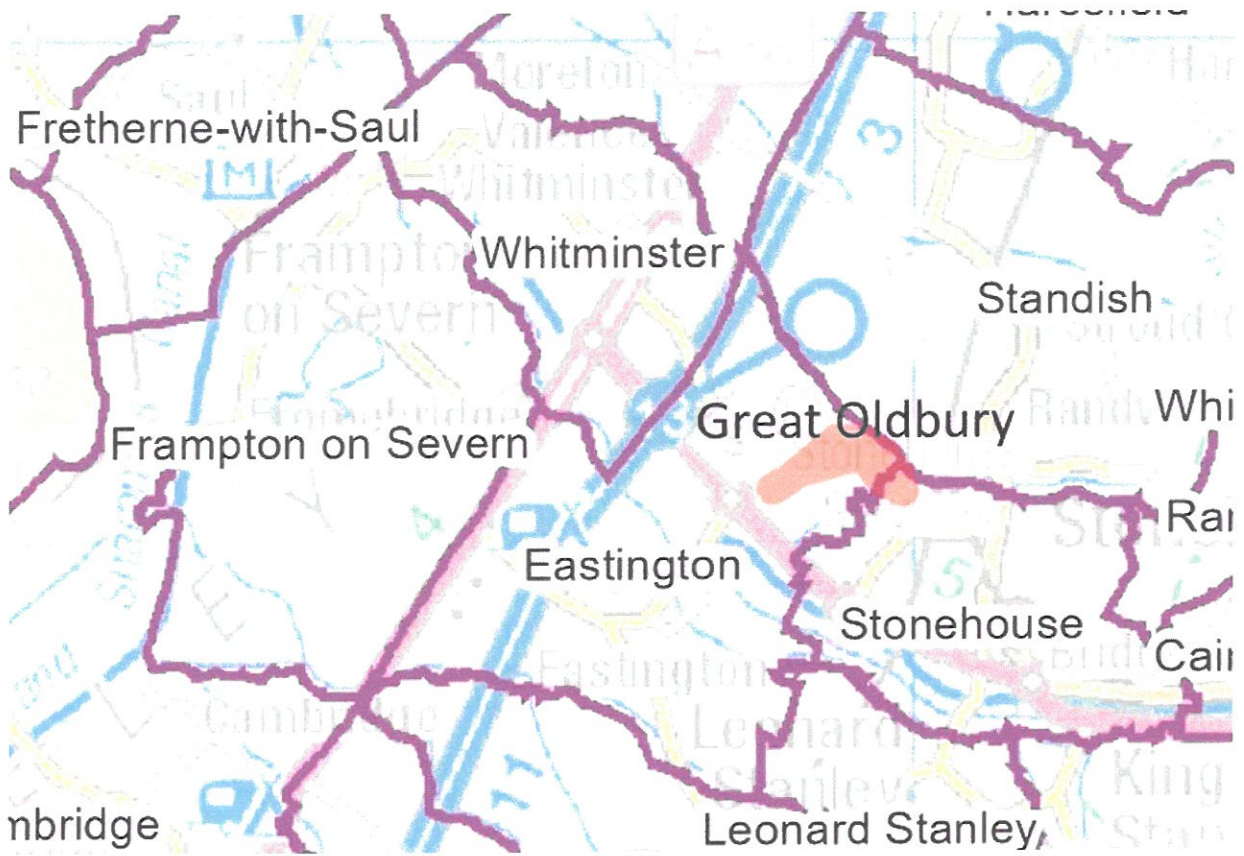
8. Using the Stroudwater Canal as the southern boundary of Great Oldbury Parish Council will also give Great Oldbury Parish Council the rights to comment on issues and problems caused by the A419, something that I believe will become an important subject of concern in the future.
9. Finally, the “ghettoization” of Great Oldbury, by drawing a tight line around the current housing development is, I believe, lazy democracy and an attempt to avoid detailed discussion that should take place regarding the creation of a new Parish Council. (The first new parish council in the Stroud area for many years). It is also depriving the surrounding hamlets and landowners the benefits of a Parish Council that will have previously dealt with housing and industrial developers and have the funds to make a difference. The current issues around “Stroudwater 13” and the noisy “cheese-factory” could have been anticipated and prevented by an established and efficient Great Oldbury Parish Council.

The two maps below highlight, in graphic form, the ridiculous nature of the proposal suggested in the Governance Review.



Suggested (this document) boundary of Great Oldbury Parish Council.





Proposed "Governance Review" boundary of Great Oldbury Parish Council.

**6. Do you want to be kept informed of the progress of the community governance review and the final recommendations when they are published?**

If so, please choose your preferred method below. If you do want to be kept informed please ensure you have provided the relevant contact details in response to Question 3. If you do not want to be kept informed, please select 'I do not want to be kept informed'.

Email

Phone

I do not wish to be kept informed

**7. Your information**

The personal details that you provide in this survey will be held in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and shall be used for the purpose of intending to collect local resident's views about how well they think their parish/town council works and any information that you provide in this survey will be used for the purpose of this review.

The review will last 12 months, during which, the information that you provide will be shared with the Community Governance Review working Members Group and Stroud District Council Officers, which include Electoral Services and the Chief Executive of the Council.

All responses to the review must be published, however all personal details will be excluded upon publication.

The information you provide shall be kept until the review has been completed and the recommendations implemented in May 2024, after which time your information will be destroyed.

For further information about how your personal data is processed, please see sections 1-10 and section 13.5 of the Council's privacy notice for details affecting Electoral Services at [www.stroud.gov.uk](http://www.stroud.gov.uk).

**I consent to my personal information being used for the purposes outlined above.**

Yes

No

Please return this form in the enclosed envelope to, Electoral Services, Stroud District Council, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud, Glos, GL5 4UB

Or as a scanned document by email to – [elections@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:elections@stroud.gov.uk)

The closing date for submissions is **Wednesday 26 April 2023**



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