ROYAL BURGH OF WIGTOWN & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONSULTATIONS REPORT July 2020

CURRENT CONSULTATIONS

a) Review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in Dumfries and Galloway – Dumfries & Galloway Council. Closing date: 14 August 2020

At their meeting of 25 June 2020 Members of Dumfries and Galloway Council agreed that, as a result of feedback from the implementation phase of the current Scheme and a desire to further develop the use of virtual and remote methods, the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils ("the Scheme") should be reviewed and there should be a period of public consultation on proposed amendments of the Scheme.

The proposed changes aim to improve and update the terms and provisions of the Scheme including the Casual Vacancy Election process, Preconditions to the Release of Discretionary Grants to Community Councils, and developing the use of virtual meetings and other remote methods.

As well as accepting written responses to the consultation, the Council will be hosting two Online Engagement Sessions on:

- Saturday, 18 July 2020 10am to 12noon
- Thursday, 23 July 2020 6pm to 8pm

To **register your interest and to receive a meeting invitation** email the Council at Community.Councils@dumgal.gov.uk

The Response Form is attached and the proposed changes to the existing Scheme are tracked and highlighted and can be found in the document below:

• Tracked Scheme with proposed amendments [PDF - 620.34KB]

FORTHCOMING CONSULTATIONS

NONE

Review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in Dumfries and Galloway Responses should be submitted by 14 August 2020

Response to Public Consultation

If you are completing this form online, please save it first and **email to** <u>community.councils@dumgal.gov.uk</u> **by no later than 14 August 2020**.

If you are returning your response in paper format or are unable to email this form, please **post to**:

Review of Community Council Scheme, Community Planning and Engagement Service, Dumfries & Galloway Council, Municipal Chambers, Buccleuch Street, Dumfries DG1 2AD by no later than 14 August 2020.

Name of your Community Council or group:	
Your name:	
Your daytime phone number:	
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Your email address:	

The current **Scheme** is available to view on our website at **www.dumgal.gov.uk/communitycouncils**.

Please use **Table 1** to record your comments on the proposed amendments following representations and complaint received as part of the implementation process (**paragraphs 7.9.1 and 11.6.3**).

Please use **Table 2** to record your comments on the proposed amendments following the identification of administrative and typographical corrections since the Scheme was implemented (**paragraphs 5.1**; **5.6.4**; **6.7**; **9.1.1**; **9.6.1**; **10.1**; **and 15.1**).

Please use **Table 3** to record your comments on the proposed amendments on the development of virtual and electronic methods as a recognised way of working offering greater flexibility for Community Councillors generally and that may attract wider participation and engagement with Community Council business. (paragraphs 2.2.1; 2.5.6; 2.5.10; 5.2; 5.2.1; 5.5.3; 5.6.2; 6.6; 7.8; 8.1; 9.1.2; 9.2; 9.3; 9.5; 9.7; 11.3; 11.4; 11.5.1; 11.5.2; 11.6.2; 13.2; 13.2.1; 13.6; 13.7.1; 13.7.2; 13.7.3; 13.7.5; 13.7.6 and 16.1)

TABLE 1: Comments on the proposed amendments following representations and complaint received as part of the implementation process (paragraphs 7.9.1 and 11.6.3)

Paragraph Number eg 1.1	Line Number eg 2	Proposed Amendment	Reason

TABLE 2: Comments on the proposed amendments following the identification of administrative and typographical corrections since the Scheme was implemented (paragraphs 5.1; 5.6.4; 6.7; 9.1.1; 9.6.1; 10.1; and 15.1)

Schedule Number eg 1	Para/Line Number eg 2	Proposed Amendment	Reason

TABLE 3: Comments on the proposed amendments on the development of virtual and electronic methods (paragraphs 2.2.1; 2.5.6; 2.5.10; 5.2; 5.2.1; 5.5.3; 5.6.2; 6.6; 7.8; 8.1; 9.1.2; 9.2; 9.3; 9.5; 9.7; 11.3; 11.4; 11.5.1; 11.5.2; 11.6.2; 13.2; 13.6; 13.7.1; 13.7.2; 13.7.3; 13.7.5; 13.7.6 and 16.1)

Appendix Number eg 1	Para/Line Number eg 2	Proposed Amendment	Reason