

## Let us know if you may want a community governance review in your parish

Cornwall Council wants to work with you on starting a potential programme of community governance reviews which can look at all sorts of issues affecting your parish. These can include changes to parish boundaries, varying the number of parish councillors, a change to parish warding arrangements or the name of a parish.

There is a meeting of Cornwall Council's Electoral Review Panel on **12 February 2019**. It would be very useful to know from you ahead of that meeting whether your parish council wants to flag up an interest in requesting a community governance review in your area.

This is just the first chance for you to get involved in the programme of reviews with plenty of other opportunities to find out more and contribute to the decision making process in the coming months.

The Government expects Cornwall Council to conduct community governance reviews periodically and one is now due following the completion of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE)'s review of Cornwall Council's electoral arrangements. This decided that there will be 87 Cornwall Council electoral divisions from 2021. Some changes in parish ward boundaries have already been agreed as a result of the LGBCE electoral review.

Following on from this Cornwall Council can now begin considering the need for Community Governance Reviews and we would like to talk to town and parish councils about these. We want to be guided by your council and any other evidence of local opinion on whether a review is needed in your area or not. To help us and to get an initial understanding of your position, please complete the following expression of interest form and return to [CGRs@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:CGRs@cornwall.gov.uk) by 8 February 2019.

You are not committing to definitely wanting or not wanting a review. There will be further opportunities for your council to review its position.

Name of parish	
Do you believe your parish needs a community governance review?	YES NO (please tick ✓ which applies)
If yes, which issues at this stage may you want to be reviewed?	Boundary of your parish

	Number of councillors Parish warding arrangements Parish name (please tick ✓ all that apply)
Any there other issues that you may want to be reviewed?	Please give brief details

To further support this process Cornwall Council will be represented at the Cornwall Association of Local Councils conference on 16 February 2019 and we hope to talk to many people there about the process.

In the meantime, you may find it helpful to review the [guidance](#) published jointly by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England and the Department for Communities and Local Government.

If you have any comments or queries please send a message to the dedicated Community Governance Reviews mailbox: [CGRs@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:CGRs@cornwall.gov.uk)

Your Community Link Officer will also be a point of contact – they may not have all the answers at this stage, but they will be able to find someone to help.