

46 COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Council considered a report to advise Council of the receipt of a valid petition requesting the merging of Yealand Conyers and Yealand Redmayne Parish Council into The Yealands Parish Council, and to seek the Council's views on taking the Community Governance Review forward. The Mayor clarified that the word 'Committee' in the recommendations about establishing a body should actually have said 'Working Group'.

The report was introduced by Councillor Wood, the portfolio holder for Corporate Services.

Members asked a number of questions, which Councillor Wood responded to. It was noted that the cost of amendment of the Council tax system was estimated in the financial implications as £10,000. Since those implications had been drafted a quote had been received and this was for a lower figure of £6,500.

Councillor Wood seconded by Councillor Whitehead, proposed:

- "(1) To allocate the work to develop terms of reference, determine consultation plans and agree a timetable for a Community Governance Review (CGR) for the proposed merger of Yealand Conyers and Yealand Redmayne Parish Councils into The Yealands Parish Council to Council Business Committee; and
- (2) That the Council Business Committee consult with Councillors throughout the process and that all parties be involved in the preparation of final proposals to be submitted to Council in January 2023."

There was a short debate.

A vote was then taken on the proposition, which was clearly carried.

Resolved:

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