

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR FULL COUNCIL

UNDER PARAGRAPH 11.1 OF THE COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES

The following Motion to be submitted to Full Council on the date indicated below:-	
Council requests officers to present a report for members to consider commencement of a consultation process on whether the Council should change from elections in thirds to whole-council elections every 4 years to be triggered upon completion of the Boundary Review.	
Date of Council Meeting:-	16 th March 2022
Notice submitted from	
Councillor Foxcroft	Date: 2 nd March 2022
Councillor Rigby	Date: 2 nd March 2022
Notice received and validated by the S151 Officer: Karen Spencer	
Comments: There would be a financial benefit to the Council in moving to four year elections.	Date: 3 rd March 2022
Notice received and validated by the Monitoring Officer: Clare Birtwistle	
Comments: Members should note that consultation in accordance with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 on whether the Council should change to whole-council elections every 4 years will need to occur but full details will be provided by way of further report in the event that the Notice is carried. Moving to whole-council elections will form part of the considerations during the Electoral Review by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.	Date: 3 rd March 2022
Notice received on behalf of the Head of the Paid Service and entered in the book open to Public Inspection	
Received by: Neil Shaw The main rationale in favour of changing the electoral cycle are to provide a council with a clear mandate for four years, allowing it to adopt a more strategic, long term approach to decision-making. Currently, three years out	Date: 3 rd March 2022

of four time is taken out for political campaigning which can be both disruptive, create negative perceptions of the council and instability for the organisation for medium term plans and projects. The move to a four yearly cycle would provide the electorate with clarity. Elections by thirds is not well understood by the electorate. A move to four-yearly elections would avoid election fatigue is likely to be more easily understood by the electorate.

