

POLLING DISTRICT REVIEW SCHEDULE 2007

WARDS & POLLING STATIONS	Polling District	Electors	Postal Voters	Over 70's	Cost per elector	Information
CRIBDEN (BME 8.32%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Lea Brook School NO CHANGE	RD	1920	188	151	22p	This school building has been used as a polling station for the last two years and local people are now used to voting there. The school is closed on Thursdays so polling there does not disrupt lessons. There is parking outside the school and level access for disabled users, although entrance is quite narrow as is doorway and corridor into voting room. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.
St. James the Less DELETE RE1 / RE2 SPLIT AND RENAME RE	RE1	765	57	75	46p	This Church building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is good car parking space and there is level access to the polling station. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. It is proposed that the split of RE1 and RE2 be deleted with the polling district returning to the name RE.

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St. James the Less DELETE RE1 / RE2 SPLIT AND RENAME RE	RE2	194	32	51	46p	This Church building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is good car parking space and there is level access to the polling station. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. It is proposed that the split of RE1 and RE2 be deleted with the polling district returning to the name RE.
EDEN (BME 1.16%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Stubbins CP School NO CHANGE	ME	1647	207	187	27p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. The school is closed for elections. There is parking outside the school and facilities for disabled users. There has been one complaint about the steepness of a ramp at the school, however there appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.
Edenfield CE School REMOVE MF1/ MF2 SPLIT AND RENAME MF WITH ALL ELECTORS VOTING AT EDENFIELD SCHOOL	MF1	722	79	92	61p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is parking outside the school and level access for disabled users. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.

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Irwell Vale Methodist Church REMOVE MF1/ MF2 SPLIT AND RENAME MF WITH ALL ELECTORS VOTING AT EDENFIELD SCHOOL	MF2	189	27	13	£2.59	This Church building has been used as a polling station for several years and local people are used to voting there. There is roadside parking and access is suitable for disabled users. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. Due to the low number of electors allocated to this polling station it is proposed that the split of MF into MF1 and MF2 now be deleted and that MF vote at Edenfield CE School.
Visitors Centre, Bleakholt Animal Sanctuary REMOVE MK1 / MK2 SPLIT AND RENAME MK	MK1	247	29	14	£1.63	This Visitor Centre has been used as a polling station for MK1 for many years for more recently for MK2. Local people are used to voting there and no alternative seems to be available. There is parking at the centre and level access for disabled users. It is proposed that the split between MK1 and MK2 be deleted and renamed MK.
Visitors Centre, Bleakholt Animal Sanctuary REMOVE MK1 / MK2 SPLIT AND RENAME MK	MK2	61	22	5	£1.63	This Visitor Centre has been used as a polling station for MK1 for many years for more recently for MK2. Local people are used to voting there and no alternative seems to be available. There is parking at the centre and level access for disabled users. It is proposed that the split between MK1 and MK2 be deleted and that it returns to MK.

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FACIT AND SHAWFORTH (BME 1.14%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Whitworth Civic Hall RENAME WA	WJ	2032	141	257	32p	This public building is new and has good access and parking. There appears to be no better alternative public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. Following a Councillor suggestion, it is proposed that this polling district is renamed WA.
Shawforth Methodist RENAME WB	WK	779	62	78	52p	This Church building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is parking available on the roadside and an alternative entrance for disabled users. There appears to be no alternative suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. Following a Councillor suggestion, it is proposed that this polling district is renamed WB.
GOODSHAW (BME 1.09%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Broading House MOVE TO GOODSHAW BAPTIST CHURCH	RA	393	43	28	£1.14	This domestic property has been used as a polling station for many years; however it is inaccessible and serves only a small number of people. There is limited parking and no disabled access, poor lighting and uneven surface/steps at the door. As the polling district is small and there are no other suitable buildings available it is proposed that electors from RA vote with RB at Goodshaw Baptist Church.

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<p>Crawshawbooth CP School</p> <p>MOVE TO GOODSHAW BAPTIST CHURCH</p> <p>BOUNDARY CHANGE TO MOVE GREENFOLD FARM FROM RB TO RC</p>	RB	1847	207	224	26p	<p>This school building has been used for many years as a polling station and local people are used to voting there. There is good access and parking at the school. A local Councillor and the Headmaster have recommended using Goodshaw Baptist Church as an alternative to the school as the school has to shut for an election which disrupts the school timetable.</p> <p>A minor amendment is proposed to move Greenfold Farm from RB to RC. It is also proposed that electors from RA vote with RB at Goodshaw Baptist Church.</p>
<p>Rakefoot Methodist Church</p> <p>BOUNDARY CHANGE TO MOVE GREENFOLD FARM FROM RB TO RC</p>	RC	952	91	88	52p	<p>This Church building has served as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is on street car parking. There are 2 steps to the premises and no disabled access and the path becomes slippery if it rains therefore a warning sign has been suggested. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.</p>

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GREENFIELD (BME 8.39%)	Following Parliamentary boundary review Greenfield will all be in Hyndburn Constituency					
Stn 1 Haslingden CP School DELETE RHF1 / RHF2 SPLIT	RHF1	1502	172	274	33p	<p>This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. The premises are accessible for wheelchair users and there is adequate roadside parking. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.</p> <p>Due to changes to Parliamentary boundaries the split between RHF1 and RHF2 is no longer required. It is therefore proposed to delete RHF1/2 split.</p>
Helmcroft Court DELETE RHF1 / RHF2 SPLIT	RHF2	303	24	48	£1.25	<p>This sheltered housing complex has been used for several years and local people are used to voting there. Unfortunately the premises are not easily accessible for wheelchair users or people with mobility problems. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.</p> <p>Due to changes to Parliamentary boundaries the split between RHF1 and RHF2 is no longer required. It is therefore proposed to delete RHF1/2 split.</p>

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Stn 2 Haslingden CP School	RHG	1825	214	171	23p	<p>This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. The premises are accessible for wheelchair users and there is adequate roadside parking. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.</p> <p>There has been one comment about residents of Shoot Estate needing to cross Manchester road in order to reach this station, however no alternative building appears to be available in the polling district.</p>
Tor View School RENAME RHH TO REFLECT PARLIAMENTARY BOUNDARY CHANGES	HH	799	78	96	61p	<p>This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. The premises are accessible for wheelchair users and there is adequate parking. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.</p> <p>It is proposed to rename HH RHH to reflect Parliamentary boundary changes.</p>
GREENSCLOUGH (BME 0.83%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Northern School NO CHANGE	BA	1250	169	88	35p	<p>This school building has served as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. The school remains open on election days. There is roadside parking outside the school but access is not ideal due to a small step at entrance and also into classroom which may limit accessibility for wheelchair users. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.</p>

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2 nd Rossendale Scout Hut (Bacup Town Centre, on Burnley Road before Leisure Centre) MOVE TO CRICKET CLUB	BB	892	90	142	50p	<p>This scout building has served as a polling station for several years and local people are used to voting there. There is limited roadside parking and the building is not accessible for wheelchair users or people with mobility problems. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.</p> <p>It is proposed that voters from BB vote at Bacup Cricket Club as it is in close proximity with excellent access and parking.</p>
Sharneyford School MOVE TO CRICKET CLUB	BC	183	21	21	£2.20	<p>This school building has been used for many years as a polling station. It has roadside parking but is not accessible for wheelchair users or people with mobility problems as there are steps at entrance. One Councillor suggestion has been received proposing the closure of this station. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.</p> <p>It is proposed that voters from BC vote at Bacup Cricket Club.</p>
St Saviours Church REMOVE BD1 / BD2 SPLIT AND NAME BD. RETAIN ST SAVIOURS CHURCH	BD1	721	113	83	72p	<p>This school building has been used for many years as a polling station and local residents are used to voting there. There is adequate parking an alternative entrance is available for disabled voters. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.</p> <p>It is proposed that the split between BD1 and BD2 is removed with all electors voting at St Saviours Church.</p>

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St Lukes Mission REMOVE BD1 / BD2 SPLIT AND NAME BD. USE ST SAVIOURS CHURCH	BD2	111	17	15	£4.26	This building has been used for several years as a polling station, however the premises are not accessible for wheelchair users or people with mobility problems. It is proposed that the split between BD1 and BD2 is removed with all electors voting at St Saviours Church.
Bacup Cricket Club	BE	596	102	94	77p	There has been a polling station on this site for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is good parking and disabled access. There appears to be no other public building within the polling district that would offer a more suitable alternative. It is proposed that BB and BC also use this building.
Trinity Baptist Church (Bacup Town Centre, near Police Station)	BF	750	90	103	57p	This Church building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. Premises are suitable and accessible to disabled users, although wheelchair users may need assistance. There appears to be no other public building within the polling district that would offer a more suitable alternative.
HAREHOLME (BME 5.69%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Kay Street Baptist Church	RK	933	141	150	37p	This church building has been used as a polling station for several years and residents are used to voting there. There is roadside parking; however there are minor access problems with the entrance door for wheelchair users. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.

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Kay Street Baptist Church	RL	372	30	28	37p	This church building has been used as a polling station for several years and residents are used to voting there. There is roadside parking; however there are minor access problems with the entrance door for wheelchair users. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.
Cloughfold CP School MOVE TO SCOUT BUILDING	RM	866	96	157	47p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. As the school is due to close it is proposed that the station be moved to the new scout building further along Peel Street.
Community Centre Woodside MOVE TO NEWCHURCH CE SCHOOL	RN	687	60	99	56p	This community building has been used as a polling station for several years; however there are regularly complaints from residents who are unable to find the premises. There is on street parking and one step to the premises. It is proposed that this polling district votes at Newchurch CE school along with RP.
Mencap House	RO	470	66	64	£1.04	This community building has been used as a polling station for several years and local people are used to voting there. There is good on street parking and disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.

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Newchurch Methodist Church REMOVE RP1 / RP2 SPLIT; MOVE TO NEWCHURCH CE SCHOOL	RP1	306	41	63	£1.70	This Church building has served as a polling station for several years and local people are used to voting there. Unfortunately there is no parking and no disabled access; in addition the uneven flagged path leading to the building is slippery in damp conditions. It is proposed that the split between RP1 / RP2 be deleted with all electors voting at Newchurch CE School.
Newchurch CE School REMOVE RP1 / RP2 SPLIT	RP2	685	97	133	56p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is adequate parking and disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. It is proposed that the split between RP1 / RP2 be deleted with all electors voting at Newchurch CE School.
HEALEY & WHITWORTH (BME 0.65%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
33 Thorburn Drive (Whitworth Family Centre) RENAME WC	WF	771	53	47	49p	This community building has been used as a polling station for several years and local people are used to voting there. There is on street parking and disabled access, however there is a metal door thresher that impedes access slightly. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. Following a Councillor suggestion, it is proposed that this polling district is renamed WC.

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Tonacliffe Primary School RENAME WD	WG	957	72	80	47p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. The premises are accessible for wheelchair users and there is adequate parking. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. Following a Councillor suggestion, it is proposed that this polling district is renamed WC.
'515' Youth & Community Centre RENAME WE MOVE TO A POLLING STATION IN POLLING DISTRICT	WH	1244	132	187	34p	This community centre is outside the Ward, therefore it is proposed that it is moved to either Whitworth Library (Lloyd Street), St Bartholemew's CE School (Hallfold) or Whitworth Community High School (Hallfold). Following a Councillor suggestion, it is proposed that this polling district is renamed WC.
HELMSHORE (BME 3.51%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Ravencroft, Communal Room INCLUDE PART OF HL	HI	785	81	165	50p	This home for the elderly has been used as a polling station for several years and local people are used to voting there. It has adequate on street parking and is accessible for wheelchair users. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. It is proposed that the boundary of HL be amended to follow the river with the easterly portion being merged into HI.

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Helmshore CP School NO CHANGE	HJ	2173	175	203	19p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. The premises are accessible for wheelchair users and there is adequate parking. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.
Helmshore Textile Museum INCLUDE PART OF HL	HK	951	91	77	58p	This museum building has been used for several years as a polling station and local people are used to voting there. The building has recently been renovated to provide good disabled access and parking. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. It is proposed that the boundary of HL be amended to follow the river with the westerly portion (Holden Wood) being included in HK.
Haslingden Sports Centre Squash Court SPLIT POLLING DISTRICT BETWEEN HI AND HK	HL	756	70	96	73p	This sports facility has been used for several years as a polling station and local people are used to voting there. However, at Parliamentary elections the building is used for the count which results in the need to relocate the station to a mobile unit on the site which means there is no disabled access. It is proposed that the boundary be amended to follow the river and split this ward; the easterly portion being merged into HI and the westerly portion (Holden Wood) being included in HK.

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IRWELL (BME 0.95)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Sunnycrest Community Enterprises BG SPLIT WITH NORTH PORTION BEING MERGED WITH BK AND SOUTH PORTION BEING MERGED WITH BH	BG	492	54	37	28pp	This community building consists of two joined housing units. The access has been improved but is not level and voters reach the station along an alley. A Councillor suggestion has been received requesting BG to be split between BH and BK. It is proposed that BG be split with the northerly portion being merged with BK. The southerly portion being merged with BH.
Sunnycrest Community Enterprises SOUTH PORTION OF BG TO BE MERGED WITH BH. RENAME BG. MOVE TO FIRE STATION.	BH	997	162	84	28pp	This community building consists of two joined housing units. The access has been improved but is not level and is along a dark alley. A Councillor suggestion has been received requesting BG to be split and part relocated to the Fire Station. It is proposed that BG be split with the southerly portion being merged with BH. The new district to vote at the Fire Station.
Britannia CP School RENAME BH	BI	725	106	91	64p	This school building has served as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is a separate entrance to the polling station which provides disabled access. There is adequate car parking in the school playground although the Headmaster has expressed concerns about electors driving to this during school hours. There are a possible additional 150 properties to be built in this polling district. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.

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R.E.A.L RENAME BI AND MOVE TO MADEN CENTRE	BJ	633	82	99	94p	<p>This polling station was used for the first time in May 2007 following complaints about access arrangements at the Library. The building has level access, very limited parking and is outside the Irwell Ward.</p> <p>It is proposed that the Maden Centre on Rochdale Road be used as polling station at future elections as this is a new community building with disabled access and parking.</p>
St Mary's RC School NORTH PORTION OF BG TO BE MERGED WITH BK. RENAME BJ. MOVE TO BACUP FAMILY CENTRE.	BK	990	105	88	42p	<p>This school building has served as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is an entrance to the polling station separate to that used by children which has level access with one low step. One Councillor has expressed concerns about the rough surface on the access road and has suggested this station be moved to the Bacup Family Centre on Hawthorn Road.</p> <p>It is proposed that BG be split with the north portion being merged with BK. The new district to vote at the Family Centre on Hawthorn Road.</p>

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LONGHOLME (BME 5.85%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Oakenhead Resource Centre MOVE PORTION TO SOUTH OF BYPASS INTO RJ	RF	1285	113	130	32p	This community building has been used as a polling station for several years and local people are used to voting there. It has good parking and disabled access. A Councillor has suggested the Magistrates court be used as polling station however this location has less suitable disabled access than Oakenhead. It has been pointed out that residents of Railway Terrace have a long journey to Oakenhead Resource Centre. It is proposed that the portion of RF to the south of the bypass be moved into RJ.
Whitaker Park Museum NO CHANGE	RG	706	93	91	69p	This museum building has been used as a polling station for several years and local people are used to voting there. There is adequate parking and the building has disabled access. A Councillor has suggested the building is not ideal and asked why St Mary's Church was not used instead. Unfortunately the Church is outside the polling district and has access problems caused by slippery flags during damp weather.
Scout Headquarters – Cherry Crescent NO CHANGE	RH	736	73	120	24p	This scout building has been used for many years as a polling station and local people are used to voting there. There is on street parking and disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.

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Scout Headquarters – Cherry Crescent NO CHANGE	RI	836	39	54	24p	This scout building has been used for many years as a polling station and local people are used to voting there. There is on street parking and disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. Two Councillors have suggested that the polling station houses too many electors and one recommended that a portacabin be used for RI, however due to access problems with portacabins it is not proposed to provide one at this time.
Scout Headquarters – Cherry Crescent MOVE PORTION OF RF LOCATED SOUTH OF BYPASS INTO RJ	RJ	713	71	156	24p	This scout building has been used for many years as a polling station and local people are used to voting there. There is on street parking and disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. It is proposed that the portion of RF to the south of the bypass be moved into RJ.
STACKSTEADS (BME 1.12%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
St Lukes Mission MOVE TO STACKSTEADS CE SCHOOL	BL	999	83	104	44p	This building has been used for several years as a polling station, however the premises are not accessible for wheelchair users or people with mobility problems. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. It is proposed that the voters from BL vote at Stacksteads CE School which is in close proximity.

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Stacksteads CE School INCLUDE VOTERS FROM BL	BM	701	81	109	60p	This school building has been used for many years as a polling station and local people are used to voting there. There is adequate parking and good disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.
Stacksteads Methodist Church INCLUDE VOTERS FROM BO	BN	688	59	91	73p	This school building has been used for many years as a polling station and local people are used to voting there. There is adequate parking and good disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.
Waterbarn Baptist Church MOVE TO STACKSTEADS METHODIST CHURCH	BO	462	50	75	£1.07	This building has been used for several years as a polling station, however the premises are unsuitable for disabled users. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. It is proposed that voters from BO vote at Stacksteads Methodist Church which is in close proximity.
WHITEWELL (BME 0.79%)	Rossendale with Darwen Parliamentary Constituency					
Waterfoot CP School MOVE RR INTO THIS STATION	RQ	738	71	90	52p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is on street parking and disabled access to the building. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative.

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Cowpe Sunday School MOVE TO WATERFOOT CP SCHOOL	RR	488	69	92	89p	This Sunday school building has been used for many years and local people are used to voting there. Unfortunately there are steps into the station and uneven floors inside the building which makes it inaccessible to disabled voters. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a better alternative. It is proposed that the voters from this polling district vote at Waterfoot County Primary School.
Fearns High School MOVE TO EDGESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH	RS	672	92	96	93p	This school building has been used for many years and local people are used to voting there. There is parking on site and disabled access to the polling station which is situated in a ground floor classroom. A Councillor has reported that all voters must use the Fearns Moss entrance to the site which has caused some confusion. Due to the small number of voters and considerable hire charges for this building it is proposed that this station be moved to Edgeside Baptist Church as it is in close proximity.
Edgeside Baptist Church MOVE RS TO THIS STATION	RT	919	82	80	45p	This church building was used at the September 2007 by-elections following a request from the school to relocate as the school had to close at election times. There appears to be no other suitable public building within the polling district that would offer a suitable alternative.
Whitewell Bottom Community Centre NO CHANGE	RU	751	54	85	54p	This community building has been used for several years and local residents are used to voting there. There is parking available at the Centre and level access to the polling station. There appears to be no other suitable alternative public building within the polling district that would offer a suitable alternative.

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Lumb Baptist Church NO CHANGE	RV	855	92	86	52p	This church building has been used as a polling station for many years by local residents who are used to voting there. There is good parking and access to the station. There appears to be no other suitable alternative public building within the polling district that would offer a suitable alternative.
WORSLEY (BME 12.01%)	Hyndburn Parliamentary Constituency					
Stonefold CE School	RHA	612	51	65	27p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local residents are used to voting there. There is adequate on street parking and good disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable alternative public building within the polling district that would offer a suitable alternative.
Stonefold CE School MOVE SOUTH PORTION OF RHB INTO RHD	RHB	806	101	103	27p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local residents are used to voting there. There is adequate on street parking and good disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable alternative public building within the polling district that would offer a suitable alternative. A Councillor has suggested that residents from the south end of RHB are closer to St James CE School and should be moved into RHD. It is proposed to move properties from the south portion or RHB, below the junction with Hud Rake and Blackburn Road, into RHD.

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St James CE School MOVE SOUTH PORTION OF RHB INTO RHD	RHD	716	85	124	55p	This school building has been used as a polling station for many years and local residents are used to voting there. There is adequate on street parking and good disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable alternative public building within the polling district that would offer a suitable alternative. It is proposed to move properties from the south portion of RHB, below the junction with Hud Rake and Blackburn Road, into RHD.
Haslingden Community Link	RHE	1361	133	124	34p	This community building has been used as a polling station for many years and local residents are used to voting there. There is good parking and disabled access. There appears to be no other suitable alternative public building within the polling district that would offer a suitable alternative.