

THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF ST HELENS

MOVING TO ALL-OUT ELECTIONS

EXPLANATORY DOCUMENT

A specially convened meeting of the Borough Council of St Helens took place on 22 July 2020. At this meeting, the Council resolved to move to all-out (or whole council) elections with effect from the elections to be held in May 2022.

This means that on 5th May 2022 (and every four years afterwards), elections will be held for all seats on the Borough Council of St Helens at the same time. At the moment, the Council elects a third of its members in each of three years out of four.

The Council made the resolution (which required a two thirds majority) after consulting widely with the Borough residents and organisations.

The Council also agreed to make an Order to alter the years of ordinary elections of parish councillors to align with the years in which ordinary elections of the Council take place. From 2022 the election of all parish councillors will take place on the same day as elections for district Councillors.

Minutes from the Council meeting can be viewed on the Council's website <http://moderngov.sthelens.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cid=116&Mid=8772&Ver=4> along with the report taken to Council and its associated documents.

The resolution was made under Section 34 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

This Explanatory Document is published to accord with the requirements of Section 35 of that Act. This document is available for inspection during office hours at the location shown below and will be made available on the Council's website.

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