

Comments from Stakeholders during Consultation

Representations received from 1 October 2023 to 30 October 2023

REF	DATE RECEIVED	REPRESENTATION MADE BY WHOM	REPRESENTATION/COMMENTS MADE	OUTCOME – STATEMENT OF REASONS
1	5 October	Returning Officer, West Dumbarton	We will not be submitting any comments on your review and therefore will accept whatever changes are made locally.	Noted
2	6 October	Constituent, Ward 11	Having reviewed the proposed changes to my location for polling district and polling place I note that my new venue is the Drumfork Community Centre. Excellent! No complaints from me.	Noted
3	9 October	Constituent, Isle of Bute, Ward 8	I propose the The Anchor Hub be as a polling station – it is user friendly with no steps or stairs.	Noted the support of change of venue to the Community Hub in Port Bannatyne.
4	9 October	Electoral Registration Officer	Having looked at our EMS and consulted with Idox & other EROs we would suggest NOT making one of the amendments listed for this annual publication. That amendment is the renaming of all the polling districts after the combining those at AA36 & AA37.	Noted, the polling district renaming and numbering will remain as is for 2024.
5	12 October	Constituent, Ward 9	I have considered all the information that has been provided as part of the above Review and can confirm that I fully support the proposed changes within Ward 9 - Lomond North. I have had 23 years experience as a councillor for the area in question and have experienced many elections across what is the Lomond North Ward and fully support the minor changes that are being proposed within the Review.	Noted the support of the proposed changes for Ward 9.

			The reduced number of polling districts and polling places will, I believe, be a benefit to all concerned.	
6	23 October	Community Councillor	Kilmore and Kilbride Hall is capable of providing space for elections, disabled parking and three doors that have ramps up to them.	Noted the support for the continued use of the renamed Kilmore and Kilbride Hall.
7	30 October	Community Councillor	<p>The proposals were discussed at the meeting of Strachur & District Community Council on 11th October. The specific proposal that affects our area is the amalgamation of the Strachur (AA79) and Strathlachlan (AA80) polling districts, with Strachur Memorial Hall becoming the polling station for the new amalgamated district.</p> <p>Strachur & District Community Council has no objections to this proposal. However, in view of the remoteness of much of Strathlachlan (AA80) from Strachur Memorial Hall, we request that Argyll & Bute Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensures that the procedure for postal voting is well publicised, both via the local press and social media. 2. Explores the feasibility of providing transport for residents who would otherwise find it difficult to reach the polling station. 	Noted the comments made.