

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS**

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**THERE WILL BE NO REFERENDUM!!**

**PARISH BOUNDARY CHANGE**

**DEADLINE 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2018**

The increased devolution of powers and responsibilities for some local services falls to Parish Councils and this is reflected in the recently adopted Hampton-in-Arden Neighbourhood Plan, within which only part of Catherine de Barnes is included. The proposal seeks to rectify this. A Neighbourhood Plan enables the local community to have a significant input as to how that community develops. Local Authorities are required to take an NP into account when considering any development in the area.

**THIS CONSULTATION PROPOSES**

- 1) Extend the Hampton in Arden Parish boundary to incorporate polling district BH07 within the Parish (as indicated in figure 2)
- 2) Create two wards within the parish and fix the boundary along Friday Lane and Catherine de Barnes Lane
- 3) Retain the current name of Hampton in Arden Parish Council and name the two new wards Hampton in Arden Ward and Catherine de Barnes Ward
- 4) Increase the number of parish councillors from 9 to 12
- 5) Allocate 8 Councillors to Hampton in Arden and 4 Councillors to Catherine de Barnes

**Do you agree with these proposals?**

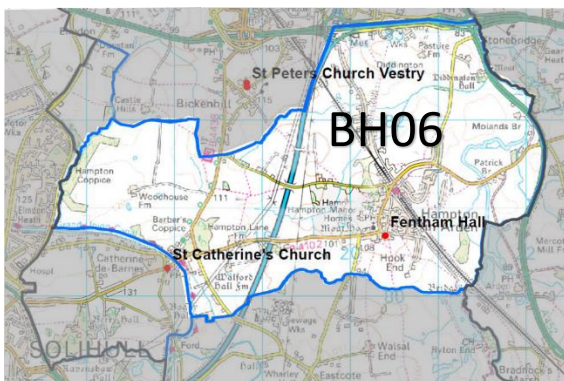


Figure 1 Current Hampton In Arden Parish Council Boundary

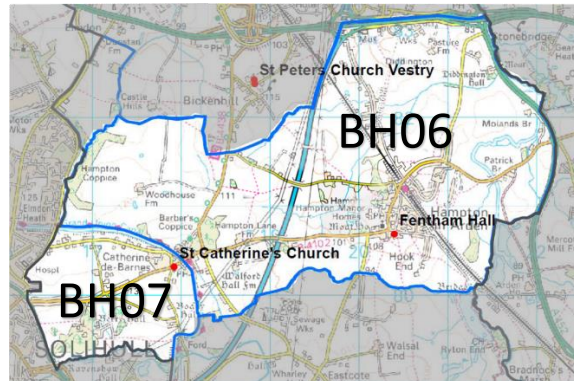


Figure 2 Proposed Hampton In Arden Parish Council Boundary

Once you have answered this question, return by **31<sup>st</sup> August 2018**:

Email this sheet to [electoralservices@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:electoralservices@solihull.gov.uk) / post it to Electoral Services, Solihull MBC, Resources Directorate Council House, Manor Square, Solihull B91 3QB.

You can also complete a response form online at [www.solihull.gov.uk/cgr/hamptoninarden](http://www.solihull.gov.uk/cgr/hamptoninarden)

Residents Name .....

Residents Address.....

Postcode.....

- Catherine de Barnes is split between the Hampton in Arden Parish Council area (polling district BH06) and the unparished area to the west of the Grand Union Canal (polling district BH07).
- We are asking for a redrawing of the boundary so that the whole of Catherine de Barnes is within the parish of Hampton in Arden.
- Solihull MBC has held 2 consultations seeking residents' views relating to such a change and the response was poor.
- Following each consultation responses have been analysed by SMBC and the Electoral Services department have recommended that the process should continue.
- At the last meeting of the Governance Committee it was agreed **a final consultation** should be undertaken to give residents the opportunity to comment on the final proposals.

### WHY CHANGE?

- Current parish boundaries were drawn up before Catherine de Barnes grew into the village we now know.
- Separation between the parished part of Catherine de Barnes/Hampton in Arden and the unparished area to the west of the Grand Union Canal is outdated.
- Means some residents living in Catherine de Barnes have no say on Parish Council business because they live outside the area.
- Current community governance arrangements hinder effective local government.
- Proposal unifies the village and its representation through Hampton in Arden Parish Council.
- Parish Council is a Statutory Consultee on all planning and development matters with the Local Authority.
- Residents of Hampton in Arden will largely be unaffected.
- Will be an increase in activity for the Parish Council representing a larger area.
- Current electoral register states BH06 has 1531 electors and BH07 has 596 electors.
- New Hampton-in-Arden Ward will have 1478 electors and the new Catherine de Barnes Ward 724 electors.
- To facilitate proper representation, we anticipate an increase of additional Parish Councillors and revenues to support the increase in the size of the parish from 1531 electors to 2202.
- The proposal is supported by Rt. Hon. Dame Caroline Spelman and Cllr. Alison Rolf.

### Confused or have any Questions?

Speak to: Dave Cuthbert, 9 Oakfields Way, Catherine-de-Barnes, Solihull, B91 2TR  
Or any of your Parish Councillors  
Email: [secretary@catney.co.uk](mailto:secretary@catney.co.uk) or [clerk@hamptoninarden.org.uk](mailto:clerk@hamptoninarden.org.uk)

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