

# WELSHPOOL TOWN COUNCIL

## PRESS RELEASE

### BOUNDARY REVIEW FOR WELSHPOOL

The Welsh Government has asked the Boundary Commission for Wales to review the Ward Boundaries in each Community.

It is not proposed that the overall Welshpool Town Council boundaries will change but the wards within its boundaries will do.

At the present time Castle Ward has 1086 electors whilst Llanerchuddol and Gungrog have in excess of 1,750 electors. The rules that the Boundary Commission are working to is seeking around 1,660 electors per ward plus or minus 10%. After taking into account sites with planning permission and those in the new Local Development Plan to total electors would be around 5,150 (ie: 1,717 per ward).

The Town Council has been proactive with its County Councillors in seeking to come up with a common plan for presentation to the Boundary Commission. If this can be agreed then it is very likely that the scheme put forward will form the new boundaries from May 2022.

A plan has been prepared – copy attached – which shows the new boundaries compared with the existing ones.

The other effect that the new boundaries would have is a change in the number of Councillors as follows:

Council	Existing	Revised
County Councillors	3	3
Town Councillors	16	15

The Town Council agreed that this plan should be put out for consultation before a final decision on a recommendation to the Boundary Commission is made.

The plans for consultation will be on display in the **Corn Exchange of the Town Hall between 9am and 11am and again between 16.30 and 17.30 on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2017.**

People most affected live between Brook Street and Broad Street/High Street and those who live on the Caeglas and Little Henfaes Drive area.

Comments can be made to the Town Clerk by visiting the consultation day, writing to Triangle House Union Street, SY21 7PG or by email to [wtcouncil@btinternet.com](mailto:wtcouncil@btinternet.com)

