

# Community Governance Review



Following the review of the responses received from the initial public consultation, the council's Boundary and Electoral Arrangements Working Party has proposed, and would like your views on, the following change to local governance in Margate:

***The replacement of the Margate Charter Trustees with a division of the existing unparished area into two separate Parishes; a Town Council which will serve the wards of Cliftonville East, Cliftonville West, Dane Valley, Garlinge, Margate Central, Salmestone and Westbrook and will be known as Margate Town Council. Ward boundaries will remain unchanged and 17 Town Councillors will be elected; a Parish Council which will serve only the ward of Westgate-on-sea and will be known as Westgate Parish Council. The ward boundary for Westgate-on-sea will remain unchanged and 10 Parish Councillors will be elected.***

***Elections to the proposed Margate Town Council and Westgate Parish Council will be held on 7 May 2015 alongside the scheduled local elections.***

***The boundaries of the two proposed Parish/Town Councils can be seen on this map. <link>***

When thinking about this proposal, you may wish to consider the following:

- *Will it be better for me than the current arrangement (Margate Charter Trustees)?*
- *Will improve the way public services are delivered?*
- *Is it a good opportunity for residents to influence local decisions?*
- *Will it provide value for money?*
- *Will it reflect the identities and interests of the local community?*

1. Name  
Address  
Postcode

2. If you live in Margate, which ward do you live in?  
(To find your ward visit <http://democracy.thanet.gov.uk/mgFindMember.aspx?>)

Cliftonville East  
Cliftonville West  
Dane Valley  
Garlinge  
Margate Central  
Salmestone  
Westbrook  
Westgate-on-sea

3. Do you agree with the proposal above for two new Parish/Town Councils  
(Margate Town Council and a Westgate-on-sea Parish Council)?

Yes            No

If not, what type of local governance would you prefer and why?  
(A list of available local governance options can be found here <link>)

4. Do you agree that the current ward boundaries within the two proposed  
Parish/Town Councils remain unchanged?

Yes            No

If not, how would you change them and why?

5. Do you agree with the suggested number of Parish/Town Councillors for each  
of the proposed Parish/Town Councils?

Yes            No

If not, how many councillors do you think there should be?

Margate Town Council [    ]

Westgate-on-sea Parish Council [    ]

Why?

6. Do you think the estimated precept for Margate Town Council is:

Too high [    ]

The right amount [    ]

To little [    ]

Why?

7. Do you think the estimated precept for Westgate Parish Council is:

Too high [    ]

The right amount [    ]

To little [    ]

Why?

8. Do you have any other comments about the proposal above for the future governance of Margate?

➤ Equalities information.

**Thank you for taking part in this survey**

**This consultation closes on Monday 29 September 2014.**

**Please return your questionnaire free of charge to:**

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