

Reference	Polling Place	Feedback on existing polling stations	Officer response
S8	Dorchester Village Hall, 7 Queen Street, Dorchester, OX10 7HR	"I confirm that Dorchester Parish Council is very happy with the current polling arrangements in the Village Hall in Queen Street."	
S9	Drayton St Leonard Village Hall, Ford Lane, Drayton St Leonard, OX10 7AT	"Just to say that arrangements at Drayton St Leonard Polling Station seemed to me satisfactory in every way, and the staff were both friendly and helpful. I have not heard of any complaint."	
S18	Sydenham Old School Room, Brookstones, Sydenham OX39 4LY	"[I] would like to confirm that the location of the polling station at the Old School Rooms in Sydenham is ideal for me and all residents. In addition I would like to comment that your staff and the organisation have been excellent in recent elections."	
S40	Henley Leisure Centre, Gillotts Lane, Henley on Thames, RG9 1PA	"I live at xxxx, Henley-on-Thames which is at the Henley Town end of Deanfield Road but my Polling Station is much further away at the Leisure Centre at Gillots School. I used to be able to use the Town Hall Polling Station which is within easy walking distance from my house rather than having to go nearly a mile to the Leisure Centre. I have previously asked if I could return to using the Town Hall but received no response. Can the Polling Station for me be returned to the Town hall to save the need to travel so far?"	The Leisure Centre was designated as a polling station for part of the North Ward of Henley-on-Thames Town Council as it provided a more convenient location than the town hall for the majority of residents. The Leisure Centre is located at the edge of the ward outside the polling district. However, the only alternative is Valley Road Primary School which would need to close if used as a polling station.

S49	Culham Parochial Primary School, High Street, Culham, OX14 4NB	<p>(a) Newspaper report that school maybe closing September 2019.</p> <p>(b) "Culham School is the most suitable public building in Culham for the polling station. However as the County Council is currently consulting to close the school the future of the building is uncertain though it is hoped the building remains available to the public. The polling station was moved to Clifton Hampden Village hall a couple of years ago and this was extremely unpopular with residents especially as it is difficult to reach from Culham unless you have your own transport. The church (the only other public building in the village) could be considered as a venue though whilst it does have a toilet its other limitations may make it unsuitable. I would be more than happy to answer any questions about the views of the Parish Council and the suitability of the church as I do have experience of working for you as a Presiding Officer. Questions regarding the future of the school building would need to be directed to the Oxford Diocese as they own the building but my understanding is that any potential election before Christmas would be ok as although not in use the school has not officially been closed - the Parish Council are still currently using it as a meeting place."</p>	The Church has been investigated but is not currently suitable as a venue due to access issues and a lack of facilities for polling station staff. Officers are seeking an assurance regarding the availability of the school as a venue going forward. In the past voters have voted in Clifton Hampden.
S51	Nuneham Courtenay Village Hall, Nuneham Courtenay, OX44 9NX	(a) "The Council considered this consultation at its meeting last night and instructed me to write to you urging that Nuneham Courtenay Village Hall continue to be the polling place for this parish. The Council knows of no better place within the parish where polling could take place. Recent alterations which this Council has funded now mean the Village Hall has a good ramp towards the parking at the rear and an adapted toilet so the Council believes it does constitute an accessible polling station."	
S52	Sandford on Thames Village Hall, Henley Road, Sandford on Thames, OX4 4YN	(a) "I am in favour of retaining Sandford on Thames as a Polling station."	
S61	Thame Snooker Club, 1a Saint Andrew Court, Wellington Street, Thame OX9 3WT	<p>"The polling station for Thame North used to be at Barley Hill School but has now moved to Thame Snooker Club. This is much less convenient for residents of the Lee Park area of Thame as there is no direct footpath and it is therefore much further to walk. I would like the polling station to be moved back to the school at least for electors in the Lee Park area."</p> <p>"Some brief comments from Thame Town Council following discussion at 6/8/19 Council meeting: a) The use of the Snooker Club instead of Barley Hill School worked well. Though there were two related observations:i) One Member had seen a disabled voter delayed (waiting for the ramp to be deployed) – but another said that she was impressed by the disabled accessii) Some concern at the further distance to travel for many voters – and had that had an impact on turnout?"</p>	The use of Barley Hill School ceased at the request of the school due to disruption to the school, parents and pupils. Officers have sought alternative venues following a request from the school not to designate it as a polling station. The snooker club has good facilities and parking.
S62	Thame Snooker Club, 1a Saint Andrew Court, Wellington Street, Thame OX9 3WT	as above	

S63	Thame Girl Guide HQ, Southern Road, Thame, OX9 2EE	<p>(a) "Over many years I have worked at several different locations, John Hampden School, Thame, Barley Hill School Thame and Chinnor school. For a number of years now I have worked at the Guide Headquarters Thame and I would say this is one of the best situated Polling stations. It is on the level with double doors which can be opened easily if required. There is enough car parking which seems to meet the needs of those who come by car. It seems to be quite central for the catchment area and I have never heard anyone make a complaint re the premises. I hope this one remains a location as I feel it meets all the needs."</p> <p>(b) "My Polling district is LNA3 and Polling Station is the Guide HQ on the Rec in Southern Road Thame and is very satisfactory. However so many dwellings have been built in the Town Council South Ward that the balance between North and South is no longer right and some of the South Ward should be transferred to the North Ward."</p>	The issue of a revision of the town council ward boundaries will be the subject of a community governance review.
S64	Youth Centre, Lord Williams`s School, Towersey Road, Thame OX9 3NW		School does not close as the youth centre is separate. Now used for 3/4 elections and beginning to settle following a few teething problems. No alternatives have been found in the area.
S65	Youth Centre, Lord Williams`s School, Towersey Road, Thame OX9 3NW		
S68	Russells Water Village Hall, Russells Water, RG9 6ES	<p>(a) "Regarding comments as to the use of The Village Hall at Russells Water as a Polling Station. We have found that the access to the Hall is excellent for old or disabled people and the two people who usually man the station are polite and efficient. We hope that this venue will be retained."</p> <p>(b) "Swyncombe is happy to use the polling station at Russells Water."</p>	
S70	Fox & Hounds Public House, Christmas Common, OX49 5HL	"Watlington Parish Council think this is a very important polling station for Christmas Common and would like to see it kept as a polling station at all costs. The local residents would be very unhappy if this situation were to change."	Provides a significantly more convenient location for electors (including a number from neighbouring parishes of Pyrton and Shirburn.
S86	Cholsey Pavilion, Station Road, Cholsey OX10 9PT	"I think the location of Cholsey Polling Station in the Pavilion in the centre of the village is perfect as I am able to walk there and back easily from home."	
S87	Cholsey Cricket Pavilion, Fair Mile, Reading Road, Cholsey OX10 9HH	<p>(a) "I live at xxxx, Cholsey Meadows and therefore my polling station is the Cricket Pavilion on that site. This is perfect for me and I would not wish to see any change."</p> <p>(b) "Cholsey Parish Council believe that both Polling Stations within the village are good locations for elections with good access for residents. However there does seem to be some confusion from some residents as to which polling station they should be using."</p>	

S99	Northbourne Centre, Church Street, Didcot, OX11 8DG	<p>(a) "The Northbourne Polling Centre being an old disused church is in need of complete renovation for more community use. As such it is being wasted whilst being in such a good community site, with parking."</p> <p>(b) "For polling purposes the Northbourne Centre is very well placed and especially for those who can walk there without having to drive. Therefore in time of global warming, it is well placed. As stated, it desperately needs renovation."</p>	The issue of renovation is a matter for the management of the Northbourne Centre.
S104	Northbourne Centre, Church Street, Didcot, OX11 8DG	As above	
S105	Long Wittenham Village Hall, High Street, Long Wittenham, OX14 4QH	"The Polling Station in Long Wittenham is in the ideal (central) location within the village and has full toilet / disabled facilities. It does not need to be relocated. "	