

REPORT

SUBJECT:	WELSH GOVERNMENT – ELECTORAL REFORM CONSULTATION
MEETING:	DEMOCRATIC SERVICES COMMITTEE
DATE:	11th September 2017
DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED:	N/A

1. PURPOSE:

To receive the consultation document and opportunity for the committee to provide feedback to be included in a response.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

That members of the committee provide feedback on questions of interest to formulate a response with the final response approved with the chair.

3. REASONS:

To ensure that Monmouthshire County Council respond and contribute to the consultation.

4. KEY ISSUES:

With the relevant provisions of the Wales Act due to come into effect next year, the Welsh Government are consulting on how the current system of voting could be reviewed with a view to making any improvements.

Comments have been included alongside the relevant question in the appendix to provide members with information on practical issues that any changes to the system may have, as well as giving a perspective of the current processes in Monmouthshire.

There is no requirement to respond to every question in the consultation but comments or feedback you provide will be incorporated in to an authority response.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

No resource implications

6. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS:

None

7. SAFEGUARDING AND CORPORATE PARENTING IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Wales Act 2017

9. CONSULTEES:

Democratic Services Committee

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