

COUNCIL 08 JULY 2015

1 NCC Consultation – Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places Northumberland

- 1.1 The Acting Returning Officer has commenced consultation on a statutory review of Polling Districts and Polling Places throughout Northumberland which must be undertaken every five years.
- 1.2 The review must take into account the following criteria:
1. Ensure that all electors in the constituency have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances.
 2. Ensure that so far as is reasonable and practicable the Polling Places are accessible to those who are disabled.
- 1.3 The Factors that need to be considered include: boundaries, size of Polling Districts, population changes and the emergence of new housing developments. There are no requirements to change any of the existing arrangements but the “status quo” decision must be fully justified.
- 1.4 The following details for Newbiggin by-the-Sea are extracted from the main report which is available online at www.northumberland.gov.uk/poll15

Address of Polling Station	Polling District Ref	Electorate	County Division	Parish
Newbiggin St Bartholomew’s Church Centre Front Street	W28NWE	1,141	Newbiggin Central & East	Newbiggin-by-the-Sea Newbiggin East Ward
Newbiggin Sports Centre Woodhorn Road	W29NWN	1,278	Newbiggin Central & East	Newbiggin-by-the-Sea Newbiggin North Ward
Newbiggin Library Gibson Street	W30NWS	1,236	Newbiggin Central & East	Newbiggin-by-the-Sea Newbiggin South Ward
Newbiggin Elizabethan Hall Hepple Road	W35NWW	982	Seaton with Newbiggin West	Newbiggin-by-the-Sea Newbiggin West Ward

- 1.4 Members are invited to consider any representations which must be submitted by 28 July. The Acting Returning Officer will then publish observations and allow further representations before reporting to the County Council for decision in November.